Did you know
Many species of butterflies congregate on wet sand and mud to partake in “puddling”, drinking water, and extracting minerals from damp puddles.

It’s easy to create a watering station or wet area in your garden for butterflies!

Materials you will need
- A large, shallow dish or container
- Sand or course dirt
- A few pebbles and rocks
- Some water for the butterflies to drink
Step 1
Use a container at least 12 to 18 inches (30 to 45 cm) wide. Place the container on top of an elevated surface or a turned over flower pot.

Step 2
Add a few pebbles and rocks that can be used for the butterflies to rest upon. Add your sand or course dirt.

Step 3
Finally add your water. Don't over fill the dish, butterflies can not land on open water.