



**Aylett Nurseries**  
*The Complete Garden Centre*

# Bee Friendly



## **Leaflet No.38**

Encourage Bees into your garden to do the essential work of pollinating.

**No Bees. No Pollination. No Fruit or flowers!**  
They are very important to us all.

Encourage Bees into your garden with a selection of nectar and pollen rich plants (as listed in this leaflet).

Plants growing in sunny, sheltered areas are more likely to be visited by Bees. Also, this is the ideal site to place an insect house to provide a safe habitat for, not only Bees, but other beneficial insects.

Annuals and Herbaceous plants attract more Bees when planted in groups, rather than scattered through the border.

Single flowers are best, as the pollen from double flowers is not easily accessible.

For more information, see the RHS website at:  
[www.rhs.org.uk](http://www.rhs.org.uk)

# Plants to attract Bees

## Alpines

- *Alyssum species*
- *Arabis species*
- *Armeria Maritima* (Thrift )
- *Aubrieta species*
- *Helianthemum species* (Rock rose)

## Annuals

- *Borago officinalis* (Borage)
- *Callistephus chinensis* (China aster)
- *Centaurea Cyanus* (Cornflower)
- *Clarkia Amoena* (Godetia)
- *Clarkia species* (Clarkia)
- *Cosmos bipinnatus* (Cosmos)
- *Eschscholzia californica* (Californian poppy)
- *Helianthus annuus* (Sunflower)
- *Heliotropium cultivars* (Heliotrope)
- *Iberis species* (Candytuft)
- *Limnanthes douglasii* (Poached egg plant)
- *Myosotis species* (Forget-me-not)
- *Nigella damascena* (Love-in-a-mist)
- *Nemophila menziesii*
- *Reseda odorata* (Mignonette)
- *Zinnia Elegans* (*Zinnia* )

## Biennials

- *Alcaea rosea* (Single-flowered hollyhock)
- *Angelica species* (Angelica)
- *Dianthus barbatus* (Sweet william)
- *Digitalis species* (Foxglove)
- *Erysimum species* (Wallflower)
- *Lunaria annua* (Honesty)

## Bulbs and Corms

- *Allium species*
- *Chionodoxa lucilliae* (Glory of the snow)
- *Colchicum species* (Autumn crocus)
- *Crocus species*
- *Fritillaria species* (Fritillaries)
- *Eranthis hyemalis* (Winter aconite)
- *Galanthus species* (Snowdrops)
- *Hyacinthus orientalis* (Hyacinth)
- *Muscari species* (Grape hyacinth)
- *Scilla siberica* (Siberian squill)

## Herbaceous Perennials

- *Agastache foeniculum*
- *Anchusa azurea*
- *Anemone x hybrid*
- *Aster species* (Michaelmas daisies)
- *Campanula species* (Bellflower)
- *Cynara cardunculus*
- *Dahlia* – single-flowered species and cultivars
- *Doronicum species* (Leopard's bane)
- *Echinops ritro*
- *Erigeron ritro* (Fleabane)
- *Eryngium species* (*Sea hollies* )
- *Geranium species* (*Cranesbill* )
- *Geum species*
- *Gysophila paniculata*
- *Helenium species*
- *Helleborus species* (*Hellebores* )
- *Liatris spicata*
- *Monarda punctata*
- *Papaver orientale* (Oriental poppy)
- *Persicaria amplexicaule*
- *Polemonium caeruleum* (*Jacobs Ladder*)
- *Salvia x superba*
- *Scabiosa species* (*Scabious*)
- *Sedum spectabile* (Ice plant)
- *Sidalcea malviflora*
- *Rudbeckia species*
- *Verbena bonariensis*
- *Veronica longifolia*

## Shrubs

- *Arbutus unedo* (Strawberry tree)
- *Berberis species* (Barberry)
- *Buxus sempervirens* (Box)
- *Calluna vulgaris* (Heather)
- *Caryopteris*
- *Ceanothus species* (spring-flowering)
- *Chaenomeles speciosa* and *C. x superba* (Japanese quince)
- *Clematis Cirrhosa*
- *Cornus alba* and *C. mas* (Dogwood)
- *Cotoneaster species*
- *Cytisus species*
- *Daphne mezereum*
- *Erica species* (Heather)
- *Escallonia hybrids*
- *Fuchsia species*
- *Hebe species*
- *Hedera helix* (Ivy)
- *Hypericum species*
- *Ilex aquifolium* (Holly)
- *Laurus nobilis* (Sweet Bay)
- *Lavandula species* (Lavender)
- *Lonicera x purpusii*
- *Mahonia aquifolium*
- *Olearia species*(Daisy bush)
- *Parthenocissus tricuspidata* (Boston ivy)
- *Parthenocissus quinquefolia* (Virginia creeper)
- *Perovskia atriplicifolia*
- *Potentilla fruticosa*
- *Prunus dulcis* (Almond)
- *Prunus laurocerasus* (Cherry laurel)
- *Prunus spinosa* (Blackthorn)
- *Pyracantha cultivars* (Firethorn)
- *Robinia pseudoacacia* (Falsa acacia)
- *Sarcococca species* (Christmas box)
- *Symphoricarpos species* (Snowberry)
- *Weigela florida* and hybrids

## Trees

- *Acer species* (Maples)
- *Catalpa bignonioides* (Indian bean tree)
- *Cercis siliquastrum* (Judas tree)
- Cherry, including single-flowered ornamental types
- *Corylus avellana* (Hazel)
- *Crataegus species* (Hawthorns)
- *Koelreuteria*
- *Pyrus species* (Pear and Ornamental)
- *Salix caprea* (Willows, male forms especially goat willow)
- *Sorbus aucuparia* (Mountain ash)

## Vegetables & Culinary Herbs

- Asparagus
- *Brassicac*s (left to flower)
- Broad bean
- Hyssop
- Marjoram
- Marrow and Cucurbits
- Mint
- Rosemary
- Runner beans
- Sage
- Thyme

## Fruit

- *Malus* Apple, including ornamental (Crab apple)
- Cherry, including single-flowered ornamental types
- *Ribes species* Currants, red, black, white and ornamental
- Gooseberry
- Loganberry
- *Pyrus species* Pear and Ornamental
- Plums
- Raspberry



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