Plants for Pollinators & Hummingbirds

A guide to plants that attract bees, butterflies, and more to your garden



Plants for Pollinators

- Plant flowers with open petals and upright stamens for easy access.
- Include flowers of different shapes and sizes.
- Choose several colors of flowers. They are particularly attracted to blue, purple, violet, white, and yellow.
- Plant flowers in clumps. Flowers clustered into clumps of one species will attract more pollinators.
- Let your herbs flower to provide food for pollinators.
- Limit or eliminate pesticide usage.
- Try to have blossoms from early spring to late autumn.
- Bees favor sunny spots over shady ones.
- Not all weeds need to be eradicated; dandelions provide early sources of food.
- Plant flowering perennials next to your vegetable gardens.
- Provide shelter, like tall grasses and shrubs

Early Spring March - May

Catmint Chives Crocus Dandelions

Snapdragons Snowdrops

Summer June - September

Alyssum	Cuphea	Oregano	Zinnias
Borage	Dahlia	Penstemon	
Bronze Fennel	French Marigolds	Sage	
Calendula	Hyssop	Salvia	
Cleome	Lavender	Sanvitalia	
Comfrey	Mexican Sunflower	Sunflowers	
Coneflower	Mints	Thyme	
Cosmos	Nasturtium	Verbenas	

Annuals that Attract Hummingbirds

Borage Cleome Four o' Clocks Fuchsia Geranium Hyssop Impatiens Lantana Marshmallow **Monkey Flower** Morning Glory Nasturtium Nicotiana Penstemon Petunia Sage Salvia Zinnia

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