



# Plants Attractive to Native Bees

## Suggested Plants for Native (Pollen) Bees

The following plants attract pollen bees. Native bees, unlike honeybees, do not fly great distances from their nests to forage. Plantings for native bees should be within 200 yards of the target crop. Some of these plants are also good for attracting beneficial insects too.

### Shrubs & Trees

Blackberry ( <i>Rubus</i> )	Red maple ( <i>Acer rubrum</i> )
Dogwood ( <i>Cornus</i> )	Raspberry ( <i>Rubus</i> )
Fruit trees (apple, cherry, plum)	Sumac ( <i>Rhus</i> )
Juneberry ( <i>Amelanchier</i> )	Willows ( <i>Salix</i> )

### Flowers & Herbs

Alfalfa ( <i>Medicago sativa</i> )	Goldenrod ( <i>Solidago</i> )
Alsike clover ( <i>Trifolium hybridum</i> )	Goldfields ( <i>Lasthenia chrysostoma</i> )
Asters ( <i>Aster</i> )	Hollyhock ( <i>Alcea rosea</i> ) (single varieties)
Beard tongue ( <i>Penstemon</i> )	Impatiens ( <i>Impatiens</i> )
Bee balm ( <i>Monarda</i> )	Milkvetch ( <i>Astragalus</i> )
Birds-foot trefoil ( <i>Lotus corniculatus</i> )	Milkweed ( <i>Asclepias</i> )
Borage ( <i>Borago officinalis</i> )	Mints ( <i>Mentha, Saliva</i> )
Buttercup ( <i>Ranunculus</i> )	Marjoram ( <i>Origanum</i> )
Calendula ( <i>Calendula</i> ) (single varieties)	Nasturtiums ( <i>Tropaeolum</i> )
Coneflower ( <i>Echinacea</i> )	Oilseed rape ( <i>Brassica napus</i> )
Chrysanthemum ( <i>Dendranthema</i> )	Pincushion ( <i>Chaenactis</i> )
Crown-beard ( <i>Verbesina</i> )	Red clover ( <i>Trifolium pratense</i> )
Daisies	Scorpion weed ( <i>Phacelia</i> )
Dandelion ( <i>Taraxacum officinale</i> )	Sunflowers ( <i>Helianthus</i> )
Evening primrose ( <i>Oenothera</i> )	Tickseed ( <i>Coreopsis</i> )
Forget-me-not ( <i>Myosotis</i> )	Wild mustard ( <i>Brassica</i> )
Fuchsia ( <i>Fuchsia</i> )	Vervain ( <i>Verbena</i> )
Gilia ( <i>Gilia</i> )	Wild buckwheat ( <i>Eriogonum</i> )
Globe mallow ( <i>Sphaeralcea</i> )	

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