

It isn't difficult to make your garden or even patio space a haven for bees. You'll be helping these important insects, as well as bringing more nature to your backdoor.

The greater the plant diversity, the more bees you will attract and support. Always try to choose as many native plants as possible.

Here is a partial list of tried-and-true bee attractors:

<p style="text-align: center;">Annuals</p> <p>Asters Calliopsis Clover Marigolds Poppies Sunflowers Zinnias</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Perennials</p> <p>Buttercups Clematis Cosmos Crocuses Dahlias Echinacea English Ivy Foxglove Geraniums Germander Globe Thistle Hollyhocks Hyacinth Rock Cress Roses Sedum Snowdrops Squills Tansy Yellow Hyssop</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Garden Plants</p> <p>Blackberries Cantaloupe Cucumbers Gourds Peppers Pumpkins Raspberries Squash Strawberries Watermelons Wild Garlic</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Herbs</p> <p>Bee Balm Borage Catnip Coriander/Cilantro Fennel Lavender Mints Rosemary Sage Thyme</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Shrubs</p> <p>Blueberry Butterfly Bush Button Bush Honeysuckle Indigo Privet</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Trees</p> <p>Alder American Holly Basswood Black Gum Black Locust Buckeyes Catalpa Eastern Redbud Fruit Trees (especially Crabapples) Golden Rain Tree Hawthorns Hazels Linden Magnolia Maples Mountain Ash Sycamore Tulip Poplar Willows</p>