
BEE GARDEN STARTER KITS AVAILABLE NOW

“Feed The Bees” seeks to raise awareness about the plight of bees. We want to involve as many people as we can in planting bee-friendly plants in their gardens, schools - and even where they work! Even if you only have a balcony, you can still have a bee garden in a planter box.

Want to get started feeding the bees? We can help you with our collection of Bee Garden Starter Kits. Choose from a **Native Garden Kit**, **Herb Garden Kit**, or **Sun Garden Kit**. Each kit consists of seven, easy-to-grow garden perennials that provide a continuous source of bloom from April until October that will help feed the bees in your garden.

You can order a kit for pick up at the Earthwise Garden, or visit the Earthwise Nursery, and our staff will help you select the kit that’s best for you. To claim your plants, download and bring your completed registration form and payment to the Earthwise office at 6400 3rd Avenue in Boundary Bay, Monday to Friday from 10:00 am until 4:00 pm, or to the Earthwise Farm Store on Saturdays from 9:00 am until 12 Noon. To pick up at other times, please call 604 946-9828 and make an appointment.



Bee plants can be planted directly in your existing garden or you can create a separate planting bed. If you have room, supplement your starter kit with more plants of the same variety in order to make a bigger impact. As a registered bee garden, you can purchase additional plants at the Earthwise Nursery for a 10% discount. Private garden consultations are also available. Please inquire. Do not apply any pesticides to your garden as this has contributed to the decline in bee populations world wide.

Starter kits cost \$35.00 each, or three kits for \$95.00, plus HST. Your purchase helps feed bees and other pollinators and supports the Feed the Bees campaign. Upon purchasing your starter kit, your garden will be registered on the Bee Friendly Garden Map on the Feed The Bees website. Check frequently to see how individual bee gardens come together to create habitat connectivity forming pollinator pathways for bees to travel to and through our community.

When we put all of our efforts together, we can help ensure continuous sources of food for bees and other pollinators throughout the growing season and improve habitat connections. Your individual actions really can have a big impact on healthy and sustainable bee populations.

Please note that the selections of plants will vary from time-to-time, based on availability.

PLANT A NATIVE GARDEN FOR BEES



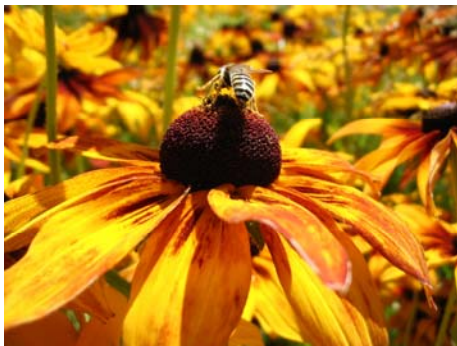
Native plants are among the best choices for feeding pollinators, especially our many native species of bees. Choose a site that receives sun for at least 6 hours a day for best results. Native plants are ideally suited to our climate and soils, and do not require regular application of fertilizers as long as you do a good job in preparing the soil before planting. Currently, the Native Garden Kit includes thrift, fringe cup, bleeding heart, jacob's ladder, helenium, goldenrod, and asters.

PLANT AN HERB GARDEN FOR BEES

A sunny, sheltered garden is ideal habitat for herbs and bees. Herbs can be planted directly in the garden or in planters arranged on a deck or balcony. Good drainage is essential so make sure that any patio pots contain the necessary drainage holes. Although drought tolerant once established, plants require regular watering the first year, or if you choose to plant them in containers. Currently the Herb Garden Kit contains chives, thyme, lavender, achillea, bee balm, anise-hyssop, and fennel.



PLANT A SUN GARDEN FOR BEES



Bees love the sun and become more active on calm, sunny days. Our Sun Garden Kit contains many perennials that are native to meadow ecosystems and that are known bee attractants. These perennials bloom for many weeks and add to your own enjoyment of your landscape as well as providing food for bees. The current Sun Garden Kit includes veronica, geranium, nepeta, sea holly, lavender, sedum, and rudbeckia,

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BEE GARDEN STARTER KIT – ORDER FORM AND REGISTRATION

Yes! I would like to order a Bee Garden Starter Kit and register in the Feed The Bees program. Kits cost \$35.00 each plus HST, payable by cheque or cash at the time of pick-up. To make a bigger impact in your garden you can order three kits for \$95.00, plus HST. Please indicate the number you would like to purchase of each kit.

Herb Garden: _____ **Native Garden:** _____ **Sun Garden:** _____

Please supply the information below so that we can register your garden's location and keep you up-to-date via our Feed The Bees eNewsletter. Please note that we will not publish your name or provide your personal information to any other sources.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Signature: _____

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