



The Buzz on Bees



Part of the “Five B’s” of Pollinators, bees are largely responsible for pollinating agricultural crops (and have just enough time to make some delicious honey in the process!).

However, climate change, industrial agriculture, pesticides and parasites/pathogens have caused a rapid decline in population. In short, no bees = no almonds, blueberries, cranberries, avocados, peaches, amongst dozen others. **Take the pollinator pledge to help protect our busy pollinators!**



The Facts:

- ✓ Crops pollinated by bees make up 35% of global food production
- ✓ Bees exist in all types of climates from forests, to deserts, even in the Arctic Circle
- ✓ A honeybee can visit 50-1000 flowers in one trip. Therefore, if each bee takes ten trips a day, a colony with 25,000 forager bees can pollinate 250 million flowers a day
- ✓ Survival of many species is dependent on bees because their food source, including nuts, berries, seeds and fruits rely on insect pollination

Plant These, Save Bees

- Golden Tickseed
- Lanceleaf Tickseed
- Blazing Star
- *Helenium autumnale*
- New England Aster

