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# RHS Plants for Pollinators

## Plants of the world

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# Get your garden buzzing

- ◆ Fill gardens with **RHS Plants for Pollinators** plants
- ◆ Grow **a range of plants** for year-round flowering
- ◆ **Avoid** plants with double or multi-petaled flowers
- ◆ **Never use pesticides** on plants in flower
- ◆ Provide nest sites for **wild bees**

Subspecies and cultivars of plants listed here are also **Plants for Pollinators**, except for those that provide significantly reduced floral resources (i.e. pollen and nectar). This includes most doubles. See p.2 for **key to codes**.

## British native plants



<i>Ajuga reptans</i> bugle	H
<i>Angelica sylvestris</i> wild angelica	Bi
<i>Armeria maritima</i> thrift, sea pink	H
<i>Buxus sempervirens</i> common box	S
<i>Calluna vulgaris</i> heather, ling	S
<i>Campanula glomerata</i> clustered bellflower	H
<i>Centaurea cyanus</i> cornflower †	A
<i>Centaurea scabiosa</i> greater knapweed	H
<i>Crataegus monogyna</i> common hawthorn	S or T
<i>Echium vulgare</i> viper's bugloss	Bi
<i>Erica cinerea</i> bell heather	S
<i>Eupatorium cannabinum</i> hemp agrimony	H
<i>Foeniculum vulgare</i> common fennel †	H

Photo: RHS / Georgi Mabee (comma butterfly on *Verbena bonariensis*).

<i>Geranium pratense</i>	meadow cranesbill	H	<i>Laurus nobilis</i>	bay tree	S
<i>Geum rivale</i>	water avens	H	<i>Lavandula × intermedia</i>	lavandin	S
<i>Hedera helix</i>	common ivy	C	<i>Limnanthes douglasii</i>	poached egg flower	A
<i>Hydrotelephium telephium</i>	orpine	H	<i>Lunaria annua</i>	honesty	Bi
<i>Ilex aquifolium</i>	common holly	T	<i>Mahonia species</i>	Oregon grape	S
<i>Leucanthemum vulgare</i>	ox-eye daisy	H	<i>Malus floribunda</i>	Japanese crab	T
<i>Lonicera periclymenum</i>	common honeysuckle	C	<i>Nepeta species</i>	catmint	H
<i>Lychnis flos-cuculi</i>	ragged robin	H	<i>Nigella damascena</i>	love-in-a-mist	A
<i>Lythrum salicaria</i>	purple loosestrife	H	<i>Parthenocissus tricuspidata</i>	Boston ivy	C
<i>Malva moschata</i>	musk mallow	H	<i>Phacelia tanacetifolia</i>	fiddleneck	A
<i>Origanum vulgare</i>	wild marjoram	H	<i>Pileostegia viburnoides</i>	climbing hydrangea	C
<i>Papaver rhoeas</i>	common poppy †	A	<i>Potentilla species</i>	cinquefoil	H or S
<i>Persicaria bistorta</i>	common bistort	H	<i>Pulmonaria species</i>	lungwort	H
<i>Primula vulgaris</i>	primrose	H	<i>Pyracantha species</i>	firethorn	S
<i>Prunus avium</i>	wild & edible cherries	T	<i>Rosa species</i>	rose	S
<i>Prunus spinosa</i>	blackthorn	S	<i>Rosmarinus officinalis</i>	rosemary	S
<i>Rosa species</i>	rose	S	<i>Rudbeckia species</i>	coneflower	H or A
<i>Rubus fruticosus</i> agg.	blackberry	S	<i>Salix aegyptiaca</i>	musk willow	S
<i>Scabiosa spp.</i>	scabious	A/H	<i>Sarcococca confusa</i>	sweet box	S
<i>Sorbus aria</i>	common whitebeam	T	<i>Stachys byzantina</i>	lamb's ear	H
<i>Sorbus aucuparia</i>	mountain ash, rowan	T	<i>Thymus species</i>	thyme	S
<i>Viburnum opulus</i>	guelder rose	S	<i>Vaccinium corymbosum</i>	blueberry	S

## Northern Hemisphere (excl. Britain)

<i>Allium species</i>	ornamental and edibles	B
<i>Anemone × hybrida</i>	Japanese anemone	H
<i>Arbutus unedo</i>	strawberry tree	S or T
<i>Aubrieta species</i>	aubretia	H
<i>Berberis thunbergii</i>	Japanese barberry	S
<i>Bergenia species</i>	elephant ear	H
<i>Borago officinalis</i>	borage	A
<i>Calendula officinalis</i>	common marigold	A
<i>Campanula poscharskyana</i>	trailing bellflower	H
<i>Chaenomeles species</i>	Japanese quince	S
<i>Crocus species</i>	crocus	B
<i>Dahlia species &amp; hybrids</i>	dahlia	H
<i>Echinacea purpurea</i>	purple coneflower	H
<i>Echinops species</i>	globe thistle	H
<i>Eryngium planum</i>	blue eryngo	H
<i>Erysimum species</i>	wallflower	Bi
<i>Eschscholzia californica</i>	California poppy	A
<i>Euphorbia characias</i>	Mediterranean spurge	H
<i>Galanthus nivalis</i>	common snowdrop	B
<i>Geranium species</i>	cranesbill	H
<i>Helleborus species &amp; hybrids</i>	hellebore	H
<i>Knautia macedonica</i>	Macedonian scabious	H

**Natural England states:** You can legally collect small quantities of wildflower seed for your own use, but you must get permission from the land's owner, tenant or other authority, as necessary. Although seed-collecting is allowed, you should not dig up native plants – many rare species are protected by law. You can collect seed of even rare plants, but cannot sell / trade seed or progeny.

**Key to codes:** **T** tree **S** shrub **C** climber **B** bulb / corm **A** annual **Bi** biennial **H** herbaceous perennial

† denotes an archaeophyte (a naturalised plant introduced into Britain before 1500)

## Southern Hemisphere

<i>Alstroemeria species</i>	Peruvian lily	B
<i>Anchusa capensis</i>	Cape alkanet	A
<i>Berberis darwinii</i>	Darwin's barberry	S
<i>Brachyglossis monroi</i>	Monro's ragwort	S
<i>Buddleja globosa</i>	orange ball tree	S
<i>Cleome hassleriana</i>	spider flower	A
<i>Delosperma floribundum</i>	ice plant	H
<i>Escallonia species</i>	escallonia	S
<i>Fuchsia species</i>	fuchsia – hardy types	S
<i>Hebe species</i>	hebe	S
<i>Heliotropium arborescens</i>	common heliotrope	A
<i>Nicotiana alata</i>	flowering tobacco	A
<i>Nicotiana langsdorffii</i>	Langsdorff's tobacco	A
<i>Olearia species</i>	daisy bush	S
<i>Prostanthera cuneata</i>	alpine mint bush	S
<i>Trachymene coerulea</i>	blue lace flower	A
<i>Tropaeolum majus</i>	garden nasturtium	A
<i>Verbena bonariensis</i>	purple top	H
<i>Verbena rigida</i>	slender vervain	A