



In full bloom!



Turn your garden
and balcony into
a bee's paradise!



Set up a *gourmet paradise* in your garden or on your balcony, with bee-friendly flowers and herbs for our small, winged friends and ensure in this way that the bees have sufficient food for the whole season.

You can thus actively contribute to preserving bees and butterflies!

Background: the globally increasing bee mortality!



Bees are very important, vital animals: honey and wild bees pollinate approximately two thirds of our crop plants, such as fruit trees for instance, and help us to preserve the wide variety of plants (biodiversity).

Bees so ensure that we humans have enough food on our plate - whereas for bees, it is often difficult to find enough food throughout the year. Due to the increase in agricultural monocultures and green space lacking blooming flowers, bees often no longer find nectar and pollen in sufficient quantity. In addition, their survival is more and more threatened by the use of pesticides and by mite infestation. The result observed worldwide (also here in Luxembourg), over the past few years, is an ongoing decline of bee colonies.



Join us in helping bees to find enough food, by planting bee-friendly plants in your garden or on your balcony!

Which plants to choose in order to help the bees



Specific plant species are particularly suited for providing the bees with enough food during the entire season (from spring to late autumn).

So, for instance, early bloomers, such as flower bulbs, provide the first treats for bees with their blossoms at the very beginning of spring. Various winter-hardy perennial shrubs that bloom at different time intervals supply the bees in your garden with enough food over an extended period of time.

We have picked out several especially bee-friendly perennials and herbs for you and have compiled sets with concrete recommendations for the garden or balcony. Select your favourite set or individual plants according to the chosen location for the plant growth and contact one of our partner stores (see last page), where you can buy most of all these plants and benefit from further advice and assistance.



Important: please avoid the use of pesticides and chemical fertilizers!

You have a balcony

Mix of flowers & herbs

- Mix of flowers and tasty kitchen herbs
- Ideally suited for bee enthusiasts without a garden
- Ideal location (flower box 80-100 cm per set)



Set of flowers



(Sunny site, no waterlogged soil)

- 1 Whorled Coreopsis (*Coreopsis verticellata*)
- 2 Woodland Sage (purplish blue) (*Salvia nemorosa*)
- 3 **Lesser Calamint** (*Calamintha nepeta* ssp. *nepeta*)
- 4 **Carthusian Pink** (*Dianthus carthusianorum*)
- 5 **Bloody Cranesbill/Bloody Geranium** (*Geranium sanguineum striatum*)

Set of herbs Nr 1



(Sunny site, no waterlogged soil)

- 1 Majoram (Origanum vulgare)
- 2 Rosemary (Rosmarinus officinalis)
- 3 Chives (Allium schoenoprasum)
- 4 Sage (Salvia officinalis)
- 5 Thyme (Thymus vulgaris)



Set of herbs Nr 2



(Semi-shady site, no waterlogged soil)

- 6 Savory (Satureja montana)
- 7 Hyssop (Hyssopus officinalis)
- 8 Rose scented Bergamot (Monarda fistulosa)
- 9 Mint (Mentha spicata)
- 10 Flat Leaf Parsley (Petroselinum sativum)

You have a garden:

Perennial bed for sunny locations



- Perennial bed with a long flowering period (spring to autumn)
- Low maintenance and winter-hardy perennials
- Ideal location (flower bed dimensions: 2,5 x 1,5 m): sunny, normal garden soil, no water-logged soil





Perennial bed for sunny locations

(With the optimal number of plants)

- 1 Bolton's Aster / *Boltonia asteroides*** x1
- 2 Milky Bellflower (purple) / *Campanula lactiflora*** x1
- 3 Hardheads, Knapweed / *Centauree 'John Coutts'* (*Centaurea hypoleuca*)** x2
- 4 Fleabane 'summer snow' (*Erigeron x cultorum*)** x3
- 5 Armenian Cranesbill / *Géranium vivace psilostemon* (*Geranium psilostemon*)** x2
- 6 Lavender (purple) / *Lavande vraie (violette)* (*Lavandula angustifolia*)** x2
- 7 Catnip / *Menthe de chat* (*Nepeta x faassenii*)** x2
- 8 Narrow-leaved Lungwort / *Pulmonaire à feuilles étroites* (*Pulmonaria dacica*)** x3
- 9 Steppe Sage (purple) / *Sauge des bois (violette)* (*Salvia nemorosa*)** x5
- 10 Stonecrop/Sedum / *Orpin d'Automne* (*Sedum telephium*)** x2
- 11 Speedwell/Veronica flowers 'Culver's root' / *Véronique de Virginie* (*Veronicastrum virginicum*)** x1

The names **marked in bold letters** are highly recommended plant **indicator species**.



Addition of early bloomers

(Planting only in autumn)

- Elves Crocus / *Crocus de Thomas* (*Crocus tommasinianus*) x25
- Winter Aconite / *Éranthe d'hiver* (*Eranthis hyemalis*) x25
- Grape Hyacinth / *Muscari d'Arménie* (*Muscari armeniacum*) x10
- Daffodil / *Narcisse jaune* (*Narcissus pseudonarcissus*) x10
- Weinberg-Tulip / *Tulipe des bois* (*Tulipa sylvestris*) x10



Half-shadow bed – in blue & white



- Ideal location (flower bed dimensions: 2,5 x 2 m): semi-shady site, normal garden soil, no waterlogged soil
- Bloom range from spring to autumn (with occasional pruning)



Half-shadow bed in blue and white

(With the optimal number of plants)

- 1 Stuffed Yarrow / Achillée sternutatoire (pleine) (Achillea ptarmica ‚Schneeball‘ = ‚The Pearl‘) x2
- 2 Autumn Anemone (not stuffed, white) / Anémone du Japon (simple, blanche) (Anemone Japonica-Hybride) x2
- 3 **Summer Aster / Aster de Frikart (Aster x frikartii ‚Mönch‘) x1**
- 4 Astilbe / Astilbe thunbergii (Astilbe Thunbergii-Hybride ‚Elegans‘) x3
- 5 **Star Clouds Aster / Aster étoilé (Boltonia asteroides) x1**
- 6 **Bellflower (white) / Campanule de Serbie (blanche) (Campanula poscharskyana) x3**
- 7 Giant Scabious / Scabieuse géante (Cephalaria gigantea) x1
- 8 Common Foxglove (white) / Gant-de-Notre-Dame (blanc) (Digitalis purpurea) x6
- 9 **Catmint / Menthe de chat (Nepeta x faassenii) x5**
- 10 White Nettle-leaved Bellflower / Campanula blanche (Campanula trachelium ‚Alba‘) x2
- 11 **Big Betony / Épiaire à grandes fleurs (Stachys grandiflora ‚Superba‘) x2**
- 12 **Cranesbill/Wild Geranium / Géranium Rozanne (Geranium ‚Rozanne‘) x2**
- 13 Summer Phlox / Phlox des jardins (Phlox paniculata ‚Blue Paradise‘) x2
- 14 **Spotted Lungwort / Pulmonaire officinale (Pulmonaria officinalis) x4**
- 15 **Stoncrop/Sedum / Orpin d’automne (Sedum x spectabile) x2**
- 16 Hattie’s Pincushion/Masterwort (white) / Grande Astrance (blanche) (Astrantia major) x6

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Addition of early bloomers

(Planting only in autumn)

- Wood Anemone / Anémone des bois (Anemone nemorosa) x10
- Elves Crocus / Crocus de Thomas (Crocus tommasinianus) x25
- Winter Aconite / Éranthe d’hiver (Eranthis hyemalis) x25
- Daffodil / Narcisse jaune (Narcissus pseudonarcissus) x25
- Two-leaf Squill / Scille à deux feuilles (Scilla bifolia) x25

For more information

You are interested in the subject and would like to know more about bees, bee-friendly plants, further reading...?

Then visit us on the website of Mouvement Ecologique, where you can find pictures of the various plants, names and addresses of partner stores and a lot more on the campaign itself.

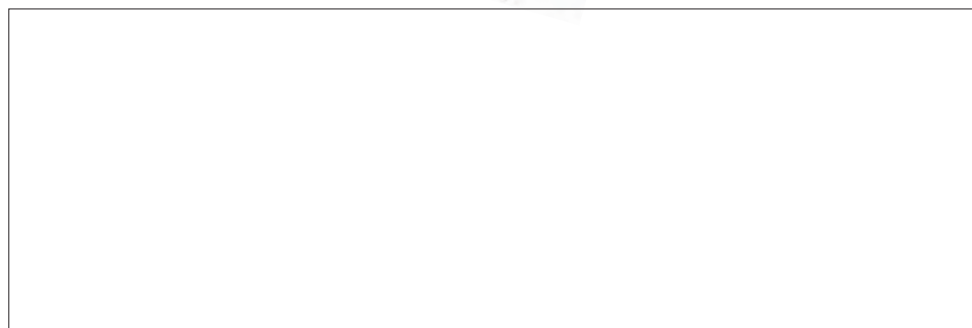
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Partner stores

You can buy bee-friendly flowers and herbs, and benefit from professional advice in our partner stores; please visit our web page www.meco.lu/beien for the complete list and contact data.

We would like to address our warm thanks to all partner stores for supporting this campaign!



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