



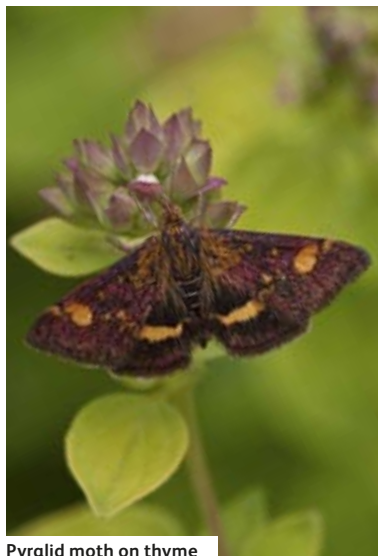
Bumblebee on *Leucanthemum vulgare*

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Pyralid moth on thyme

Complete the online survey now

Go to surveymonkey.co.uk/r/RHSp4pSurvey or scan the QR code for the RHS Perfect for Pollinators Garden Plant Survey.

This survey should take 15–25 minutes to complete.



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Which pollinator-friendly plants are grown in UK gardens?



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The RHS Perfect for Pollinators garden plant survey



The RHS and the University of Bristol are asking gardeners to take part in a study to identify the most commonly planted pollinator-friendly plants and assess how good UK gardens are for pollinators.

From July until September 2016, we are urging all of the UK's 22 million gardeners, from those with window boxes or small urban gardens to those with larger gardening spaces, to complete an online survey that will help us better understand how widely gardeners plant for pollinators. The survey can be found at surveymonkey.co.uk/r/RHSp4pSurvey

Gardens and other urban environments have the potential to enhance the availability of floral resources for pollinating insects. This is dependent on the extent to which flowering plants are grown, the diversity of species present, which species are grown and in some cases even which cultivars. The first step in understanding more about the current floral resources available, especially in towns and cities, is to find out which plants are commonly grown in gardens. With more than 70,000 species and varieties in cultivation this represents a challenge. The survey data will enable us to prioritise future research into the quality of resources provided for pollinators in UK gardens.

In 2011 the RHS produced a Perfect for Pollinators list which recommends plants that gardeners can grow to encourage pollinators. This was based on expert information. However, there is currently limited information on which plants are actually being grown in gardens or on the extent to which gardeners are planting pollinator-friendly plants (e.g. those on the Perfect for Pollinators lists).

This survey is based on a pilot survey conducted between December 2015 and January 2016. Anyone who completed the pilot survey is also welcome to take part in this survey.

Left. Hoverfly on *Calendula officinalis*. Right (from top). Solitary bee on *Salix*; peacock butterfly on *Buddleja*; honeybee on *Crocus*.

