



Bee Friendly Tring

I've loved bees since I can't remember when. Aside from honeybees there are over 250 species of bees in the UK alone, from solitary bees such as the red mason bee to bumble bees living in small colonies. These different bees have different shaped mouth parts so will often feed on different flowers: bumble bees can reach into foxgloves, for example, to extract nectar whilst honeybees prefer flatter, more open flowers. On some flowers, however, you will see many different species of bee, such as on lavender. Sunflowers are another flower that offers so much to so many forms of wildlife. This was the inspiration for my panel.

Tring received a Bee Friendly Town award in 2022 and the Justice & Peace Group continues to promote pollinator-friendly spaces around the town and is now campaigning for a ban on pesticides. To find out more visit <https://justiceandpeacetring.org/>.