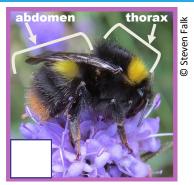


John Muir Pollinator Way Pollinating Insect Spotting Sheet

Bees

Two pairs of wings, long antennae, hairy body



Early bumblebee (Bombus pratorum)

March-October Two yellow bands (one on thorax, one on abdomen) with orange rear.



Garden bumblebee (Bombus hortorum)

March-October Three yellow bands (two on thorax, one on abdomen) with a white rear. A very long face and tongue (inset).



Red-tailed bumblebee (Bombus lapidarius)

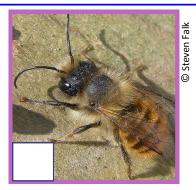
March-October Female: all-black with red/orange rear. Male: one yellow 'shoulder' band.

Notes (e.g. flowers visited):



Tawny mining bee (Andrena fulva)

March-May a black-haired head and legs.



Red mason bee (Osmia bicornis)

April-June Thick upper coat of orange-red hairs with Bristly orange coat with black body. Males (pictured) have especially long antennae.



Blaeberry bumblebee (Bombus monticola)

April-October Mostly orange abdomen with two light yellow bands on the thorax.

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Dark-edged bee-fly (Bombylius major)

March-June
Hairy and brown. Long, thin, pointed snout and dark wing patches.
Hovers around flowers.



Common Snout-hoverfly (Rhingia campestris)

April-October
Pointed snout. Abdomen orange with thin dark stripes. Striped, grey thorax. Folds wings at rest.



Marmalade hoverfly (Episyrphus balteatus)

January-December Slender orange abdomen with double black stripes.

Notes (e.g. flowers visited):



Large pied hoverfly (Volucella pellucens)

May-October
Large, hairless hoverfly. Mostly black body
with thick white band on abdomen and
orange head. Antennae are feathery.



Yellow - belted hoverfly (Chrysotoxum bicinctum)

May-September
Small wasp-mimic with two thick yellow bands on abdomen. A dark mark is present on each wing.



Common bog hoverfly (Sericomyia silentis)

May-December
Large wasp-mimic with all-black thorax
bordered with golden hairs. If disturbed,
this hoverfly will buzz like a bee.

Notes:

Beetles

Red soldier beetle (Rhagonycha fulva)

April-June Glossy orange-red with black stripe at end of wing cases.

Notes:



Hardened wing cases, chewing mouthparts

7-Spot Ladybird (Coccinella 7-punctata)

March-October Glossy orange-red wing cases with seven black spots. Black thorax with white eye-spots.

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