

Native Bee Internet Resources

Xerces Society for Invertebrate Conservation: <http://www.xerces.org/>

Pollinator Partnership: <http://www.pollinator.org/>

Best Brief Natural History Overview

Encyclopedia of Life Bee Observer Cards- <http://eol.org/info/498>

Slide Shares

1. <http://www.slideshare.net/sdroege/native-bee-pollinators-for-crops>
2. <http://www.slideshare.net/NancyXerces/intergrating-native-pollinators-into-wildlife-conservationpractices?related=1>
3. <http://www.slideshare.net/DesLandTrust/2014-nature-night-attracting-native-pollinators-by-macevaughan?related=1>

Texas-Specific Sites

Texas Beewatchers - <http://www.beewatchers.com/>

Texas Native Bee Co-op (TPWD website) - <http://nativebeecoop.com/>

Texas Native Bee Co-op (TPWD Facebook page) - <https://www.facebook.com/texasnativebees>

Bumblebees of Texas (TPWD website) <http://texasbumblebees.com/>

Texas Bumblebees (TPWD Facebook page) <https://www.facebook.com/texasbumblebees>

The Jha Lab (UT research lab engaged in native bee pollination ecology) https://w3.biosci.utexas.edu/jha/?page_id=2

Free Print Resources

Bee Basics: An Introduction to Our Native Bees (great booklet): <http://www.fs.fed.us/wildflowers/pollinators/documents/BeeBasics.pdf>

Managing Alternative Pollinators: A Handbook for beekeepers, Growers, and Conservationists: <http://sustainable-farming.rutgers.edu/wp-content/uploads/2014/09/ALTERNATIVE-POLLINATORS.pdf>

Bumble Bees of the Western United States (Texas is in this one): <http://www.fs.fed.us/wildflowers/pollinators/documents/BumbleBeeGuideEast2011.pdf>

Biology and External Morphology of Bees (has ID info for the North West, but the content is global): <https://catalog.extension.oregonstate.edu/sites/catalog.extension.oregonstate.edu/files/project/pdf/sp001.pdf>

Taxonomy/Identification

Laurence Packer's Key to Bee Families:

<http://www.yorku.ca/bugsrus/BFoW/Images/Introduction/Introduction.html>

Bee Spotter bumblebee ID (based in Illinois, has eight of TX nine species):

<http://beespotter.mste.illinois.edu/topics/key/>

The Very Hany Bee Manual: How to Catch and Identify Bees and Manage a Collection (May 2012 edition):

<http://www.pwrc.usgs.gov/nativebees/Handy%20Bee%20Manual/Handy%20Bee%20Manual.pdf>

Discoverlife Identification Identification Guide (An ID tool for N. Eastern bees, with other good links): <http://www.discoverlife.org/mp/20q?search=Apoidea>

You Tube Videos on how to use the Discover Life Identification Guide

- Introduction: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=75klhCa2vEM>
- Advanced Tools in Discoverlife Identification Guide: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0ws4nwgOfm4>
- Sam Droege's guides to genera (Slide Share): <http://www.slideshare.net/sdroege>
- Yahoo Group/Bee Inventory, Monitoring, and ID: <https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/beemonitoring/info>

Habitat Gardening

Pollinator Partnership/Planting Guides: <http://pollinator.org/guides.htm>

Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center Regional Pollinator Plant Lists (lists are from the Xerces Society and include planting guide for floral plants and another listing for plants used for nesting): <http://www.wildflower.org/collections/>

Beautiful Wildlife Garden's Ultimate Guide to Attracting Native Bees (links to 50+ articles): <http://www.beautifulwildlifegarden.com/guide-to-attracting-native-bees.html>

How to Build a Nesting Block: <http://www.ars.usda.gov/Services/docs.htm?docid=10743>

Wood Block Nesting (Xerces): http://www.xerces.org/wp-content/uploads/2008/10/nests_for_native_bees1.pdf

Tunnel Nests for Native Bees (Xerces): <http://www.xerces.org/wp-content/uploads/2009/11/tunnel-nest-managementxerces-society.pdf>

Pesticides (Several links here at Xerces): <http://www.xerces.org/pesticides/>

Citizen-Science-Related Links

The Great Sunflower Project: <https://www.greatsunflower.org/>

Bumblebee Watch (Xerces): <http://www.bumblebeewatch.org/>

Nesting-related: <http://entomology.ifas.ufl.edu/ellis/nativebuzz/>

Zombe Watch (parasitic fly on honey bees): <https://www.zombeewatch.org/>

Pollination (USDA Forest Service Pollination Resource):
<http://www.fs.fed.us/wildflowers/pollinators/animals/bees.shtml>

Facebook Groups

New York Bee Sanctuary: <https://www.facebook.com/NYBeeSanctuary>

Bees Community: <https://www.facebook.com/SaveBees>

Beautiful Bees: <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Beautiful-Bees/206028679586618?fref=nf>

Campaign for Solitary Bees: <https://www.facebook.com/Solitary.bees>

Native Bee Nest Site Project: <https://www.facebook.com/NBNSproject>

Project Bumble Bee: <https://www.facebook.com/bumblebcons>

Videos

NY Times—The Mystery of the Missing Bees:
<http://www.nytimes.com/video/us/10000003142267/the-mystery-of-the-missing-bees.html>

TED Talk—Why Bees Are Disappearing
http://www.ted.com/talks/marla_spivak_why_bees_are_disappearing?language=en

Bringing Back the Bees (Vimeo clip with Robbin Thorp): <http://vimeo.com/68073446>