

GROWER'S CORNER

Dana Nance (Manger of Edgewood retail store) attended a meeting recently of the Northeast Texas Beekeepers Association where she was the guest speaker. She stated she was honored to do this as they are a great group of people and she felt that their mission is important. She had agreed to compile a list of plants that are forage for bees providing nectar and pollen necessary for their survival. Below is the list she compiled and hopefully it will be helpful for you plan your garden.

TREES

COMMON NAME	FAMILY	GENUS
Red Maple	Acerancea	Acer Rubrum
Dogwood	Cornaceae	Cornus Florida
Vitex	Verbenacea	Vitex Agnus-Castus
Willows	Salicaceae	Salix
Magnolia	Magnoliaceae	Magnolia
Crabapple	Rosaceae	Malus
Ornamental Pears	Rosaceae	Pyrus Calleryana
Ornamental Wild Plums	Rosaceae	Prunus
Ornamental Cherry	Rosaceae	Prunus
Desert Willow	Bignoniaceae	Chilopsis
Redbud	Fabaceae	Cercis
Ninebark	Rosaceae	Physocarpus
Sumac	Anacardiaceae	Rhus Aromatica
Black Locust	Fabaceae	Robinis Pseudoacacia
Tulip Poplar	Magnoliaceae	Liriodendron Tulipifera
Mesquite	Fabaceae	Prosopsis Glandulosa

All Fruit and Citrus Trees

SHRUBS

COMMON NAME	FAMILY	GENUS
Abelia	Caprifoliaceae	Abelia
Azalea	Ericaceae	Azalea or Rhododenron
Butterfly Bush	Loganiaceae	Buddleia Daviddi
Barberry	Berberidaceae	Berberis
Barrel Cactus	Cactaceae	Ferocactus
Button Brush	Rubiaceae	Cephalanthus Occidentalis
Bottle Brush	Myrtaceae	Callistemon
Esperanza or 'Yellow Bells'	Bignoniaceae	Tecoma Stans
Sweetspire	Saxifragaceae	Itea Virginica
Gardenia	Rubiaceae	Gardenia
Hollies	Aquifoliaceae	Illex
Serviceberry	Rosaceae	Amelanchier
'Blue Mist' Spirea	Lamiaceae	Caryopteris

Summer Sweet or Sweet Pepperbush	Clethraceae	Clethra Alnifolia
Flowering Senna	Fabaceae	Cassia
Southern Wax Myrtle	Myricaceae	Myrica Cerifera
Variegated Ligustrum or Privet	Oleaceae	Ligustrum
Sweet Olive	Oleaceae	Osmanthus Fragrans
Scotch Broom	Fabaceae	Cytisus Scoparius
Rose of Sharon	Malvaceae	Hibiscus (Single Flower)
Viburnum	Caprifoliaceae	Viburnum
Spiraea	Rosaceae	Spirea
Texas Sage	Scrophulariaceae	Leucophyllum Frutescens
Pieris or 'Fire on the Mountain'	Ericaceae	Pieris Japonica
Oregon Grape Holly	Berberidaceae	Mahonia
Eleagnus	Eleagnaceae	Eleagnus
Fruiting Quince	Rosaceae	Cydonia
Flowering Quince	Rosaceae	Chaenomeles
Forsythia	Oleaceae	Forsythia
Pear Cactus	Cactaceae	Opuntia
Roses	Rosaceae	Rosa

PERENNIALS

COMMON NAME	FAMILY	GENUS
Milkweed	Asclepiadaceae	Asclepias
Jupiter's Beard	Valerianaceae	Centranthus Ruber
Purple Loosestrife	Lythraceae	Lythrum
Monarda or Beebalm	Lamiaceae	Monarda
Aster	Asteraceae	Aster
Beard's Tongue	Scrophulariaceae	Penstemon
Foxglove	Scrophulariaceae	Digitalis
Holly Hock	Malvaceae	Althea
Coneflower	Asteraceae	Echinacea
Chrysanthemum	Asteraceae	Chrysanthemum
Forget Me Not	Boraginaceae	Hackelia
Globe Mallow	Malvaceae	Sphaeralcea
Russian Sage	Lamiaceae	Perovskia
Coreopsis	Asteraceae	Coreopsis
Verbena	Verbenaceae	Verbena
Balloon Flower	Campanulaceae	Campanula
Potentilla	Rosaceae	Cinquefoil
Salvias (Blue or Violet)	Lamiaceae	Salvia
Dalea	Fabaceae	Psoralea
Blanket Flower	Asteraceae	Gaillardia

Lupines	Fabaceae	Lupine
Wallflower	Brassicaceae	Erysimum
Sea Thrift	Plumbaginaceae	Armeria
Joe Pye Weed	Asteraceae	Eupatorium
Columbine	Ranunculaceae	Columbine
Ajuga	Lamiaceae	Ajuga
Agastache 'Sweet Hyssop'	Lamiaceae	Agastache
False Indigo	Fabaceae	Baptisia
Ice Plant	Aizoaceae	Carpobrotus
Gaura	Onagraceae	Gaura
Dead Nettle	Lamiaceae	Lamium
Liatris or Blazing Star	Asteraceae	Liatris
Obedient Plant	Lamiaceae	Physostegia
Jacob's Ladder	Polemoneaceae	Polemonium
Mexican Hat	Asteraceae	Ratibida
Pin Cushion	Dipsaceae	Scabiosa
Sedum (Stonecrop)	Crassulaceae	Sedum
Lambs Ear	Lamiaceae	Stachys
Veronica or Speedwell	Scrophulariaceae	Veronica
Violets (not Pansies)	Violaceae	Viola
Yarrow	Asteraceae	Achillea
Monkshood	Ranunculaceae	Aconitum
Allium	Liliaceae	Allium

ANNUALS

COMMON NAME	FAMILY	GENUS
Alfalfa	Fabaceae	Medicago
Alsike Clover	Fabaceae	Melilotus
Vetch	Fabaceae	Hedysarum
Sunflower	Asteraceae	Helianthus
Calendula	Asteraceae	Calendula Officinalis
Impatiens	Balsaminaceae	Impatien
Nasturtiums	Tropaeolaceae	Tropaeollum
Fushia	Onagraceae	Fushia
Geranium	Geraniacea	Geranium
Zinnia	Asteraceae	Zinnia
Marigold	Asteraceae	Tagetes
Dahlias	Asteraceae	Dahlias
Poppy	Papaveraceae	Papaver
Mexican Heather	Lythraceae	Cuphea
Cosmos	Asteraceae	Cosmos
Larkspur Delphinium	Ranunculaceae	Larkspur or Delphinium
Heliotrope	Boraginaceae	Heliotropium
Bush Clover	Fabaceae	Lespedeza

VINES

COMMON NAME	FAMILY	GENUS
Winter Honeysuckle	Caprifoliaceae	Lonicera Fragrantissima
Hardy Kiwi	Actinid Iaceae	Actinidia Arguta
Confederate Jasmine	Apocynaceae	Jasminoides Trachelospermum
Sweet Autumn Clematis	Ranunculacea	Clematis Paniculata
Virginia Creeper	Vitaceae	Parthenocissus Quinquefolia
Crossvine	Bignoniaceae	Bignonia Capreolata
Glory Bower	Verbenaceae	Clerodenum Trichotomum
Carolina Jessamine	Loganiaceae	Gelsemium Sempervirens

**And of course vegetable, fruit, nut & berry crops
are all good forage for bees.**