

Food for pollinators on the farm



Pollinators need flowers to feed on from spring through to autumn



Native trees & shrubs – allow hedgerows to flower

Willow 	Blackthorn 	Whitethorn/Hawthorn 	Wild cherry 	Crab apple 
Rowan 	Spindle 	Bramble 	Wild roses 	Ivy 

Native wildflowers – allow to grow in non-farmed areas

Dandelion 	Dead nettles 	Hogweed 	Vetches 	Oxeye Daisy 
Selfheal 	Bird's-foot-trefoil 	Clover 	Devil's-Bit-Scabious 	Knapweed 

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Things you might be planting that will also benefit pollinators:



Clover

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Sainfoin

Species-rich swards



Chicory

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Bird's-foot-trefoil

Catch crop



Phacelia

Catch crop



Buckwheat

Catch crop



Fruit, vegetables & herbs e.g. Apples, Plums, Raspberries, Currants, Peas, Beans, Courgettes, Tomatoes, Chives, Rosemary, Thyme.

Food for us!

Where do wild pollinators live on the farm?

National Biodiversity Data Centre
Documenting Ireland's Wildlife



Bumblebees - long grass



Mining solitary bees - bare soil



Cavity nesting solitary bees - existing holes



Our pollinating insects are in decline. One third of our 99 bee species are at risk of extinction. You can help by making sure your farm provides much needed food. To learn more about the All-Ireland Pollinator Plan, see www.pollinators.ie