



BUMBLEBEE

Large fluffy bodies with yellow and black stripes, with a white or red tail. Red-tailed bumblebees love to visit wildflower meadows.



HONEYBEE

Smaller than bumblebees with black and amber coloured stripes, with shiny back legs. Most UK honeybees live in hives.



CARDER BEE

One of the rarest bumblebees around, they are all brown with black stripes.



SOLITARY BEE

These bees make up 90% of the bee population so you'll most likely see these bees buzzing around. There are lots of solitary bees and they are generally smaller than other bee species.



MINING BEE

A type of solitary bee, easy to spot as they have a thick orange coat and black face. You can normally spot where mining bees have been as they leave soil piles behind at the entrance to their nest.



MASON BEE

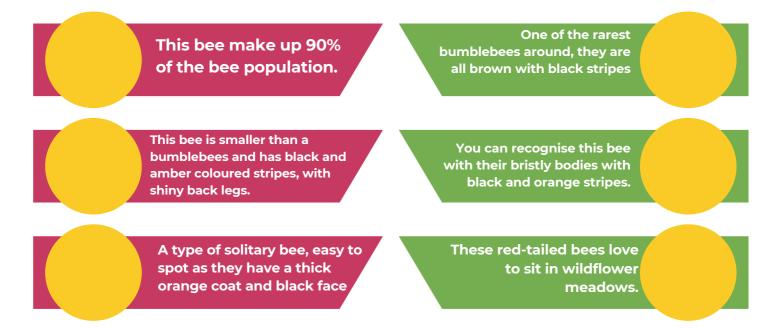
The red mason bee is the one found in the UK. They are bristly with black and orange stripes - females are mostly black with yellow legs, males are more brown with hairier legs. They love a stay at the bee hotel!

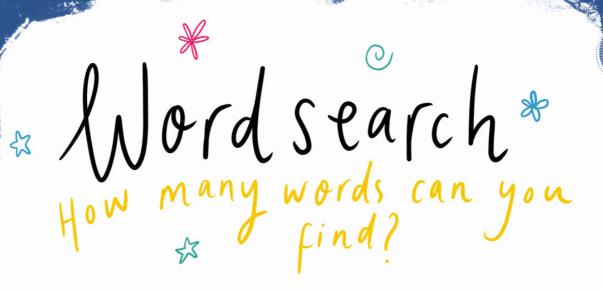
Did you know there are over 270 species of bees buzzing around the UK, and they aren't all the same! We've listed some of the most common bees you'll find and some key characteristics to help you identify them.





Match the description with the numbered bees.





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Buzz Bee Flower Waggle Snowdrop



