

Insect Pollinator Identification Guide



Bumble Bee

- 10 – 19 mm
- Black and yellow
- Small hairy head
- Large hairy body
- Loud buzzing



Wasp

- 13 – 25 mm
- Hairless cylindrical body with thin waist
- Paper Wasp: brown with yellow
- Potter Wasp: black with yellow stripes
- Yellow Jacket Wasp: black and yellow



Carpenter Bee

- 16 – 22 mm
- Black and yellow
- Large hairy head and upper body
- Black dot on upper body
- Hairless shiny lower body
- Fast erratic flying



Fly

- 6 – 13 mm
- Black or gray
- Two wings
- Large eyes
- Small antenna



Honey Bee

- 12 – 15 mm
- Light brown with brown or black stripes
- Slender oval body



Butterfly

- Gulf Fritillary: bright orange with black
- Monarch: orange/red with black wings
- Skipper: brown/gray and fuzzy body
- Swallowtail: bright colors with forked tail wings



Small Bee

- 5 – 15 mm
- Leafcutter Bee: black with light yellow stripes
- Sweat Bee: metallic



Other

- Beetle: oval body
- Dragonfly: long slender body with long shimmering wings and large eyes
- Lacewing: green delicate body with veined wings