

## Royal Entomological Society Garden – Plant List

### STAR PLANTS FOR AN INSECT-RICH GARDEN:

**Common dandelion**  
(*Taraxacum officinale*)



Good nectar source for many flying insects such as lacewings, ladybirds and a larval food source for moths

**Pygmy borage**  
(*Borago pygmaea*)



Attracts a variety of pollinators, particularly bees. After a bee has visited a flower, it refills with nectar within two minutes.

**Viper's bugloss**  
(*Echium vulgare*)



Supports many insects including 20 species of butterfly, bees and hoverflies. Several rare insects only live on this plant.

**Hawthorn**  
(*Crataegus monogyna*)



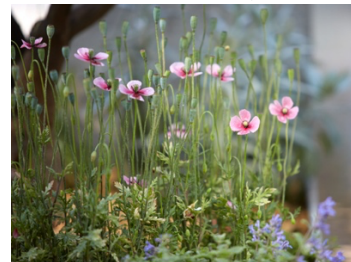
Supports over 300 species of insect, in particular flies, including hoverflies, and small beetles.

**Common hazel**  
(*Corylus avellana*)



Supports a wide range of insects and its leaves provide food for moth caterpillars.

**Beth's poppy**  
(*Papaver dubium* subsp. *Lecoqii* 'Albiflorum')



Provides food source for many insects including beetles and pollinating flies.

### GENERAL PLANTING:

#### Annuals

*Cerithe major* 'Purpurascens'  
*Nigella* 'Miss Jekyll'  
*Papaver dubium* subsp. *Lecoqii* 'Albiflorum'  
(Beth's poppy)  
*Papaver carmeli*  
*Papaver glaucum* (tulip poppy)

#### Grasses

*Hordeum jubatum* (foxtail barley)  
*Melinis nerviglumis* 'Savannah' (ruby grass)  
*Festuca glauca*  
*Festuca ovina*

#### Biennials

*Echium pininana* (tree echium)  
*Echium vulgare* (Viper's bugloss)  
*Verbascum nigrum*



## Perennials

*Acanthus mollis* (bear's breech)  
*Anthyllis vulneraria* (kidney vetch)  
*Armeria maritima* (sea thrift)  
*Artemisia absinthium* (common wormwood)  
*Asphodeline lutea* (king's spear)  
*Ballota acetabulosa* (Greek horehound)  
*Berkheya purpurea*  
*Borago pygmaea* (pygmy borage)  
*Conopodium majus* (pignut)  
*Cotula hispida* (little gold buttons)  
*Cynara syriaca* (Syrian wild artichoke)  
*Eremurus x isabellinus* 'Cleopatra' (foxtail lily)  
*Erigeron karvinskianus* (Mexican fleabane)  
*Euphorbia characias* 'Wulfenii'  
(Mediterranean spurge)  
*Euphorbia myrsinites* (myrtle spurge)  
*Euphorbia rigida* (upright myrtle spurge)  
*Festuca glauca* (blue fescue)  
*Foeniculum vulgare atropurpureum* (bronze fennel)  
*Geranium macrorrhizum* (big-root cranesbill)  
*Geranium maderense* 'Guernsey White'  
*Glaucium flavum* (yellow-horned poppy)  
*Glechoma hederacea* (ground ivy)  
*Verbena x baileyana purpurea*

*Hesperaloe parviflora*  
*Iris germanica* 'Alcazar'  
*Leucophyllum frutescens* 'Green Cloud'  
*Lotus corniculatus* (bird's foot trefoil)  
*Nepeta nuda* (catmint)  
*Nepeta racemosa* (catmint)  
*Phlomis fruticosa* (Jerusalem sage)  
*Phlomis purpurea*  
*Salvia* 'Bee's Bliss'  
*Salvia* 'Shangri La'  
*Salvia argentea* (silver sage)  
*Salvia chamaedyoides* (Germander sage)  
*Salvia x jamensis* 'Blue Armor'  
*Silybum marianum* (milk thistle)  
*Stachys sylvatica* (hedge woundwort)  
*Teucrium chamaedys* (wall germander)  
*Teucrium fruticans* 'Erecta' (tree germander)  
*Teucrium marum* (cat thyme)  
*Teucrium subspinosum* (spiny germander)  
*Thymus praecox* (mother-of-thyme)  
*Thymus pseudolanuginosus* (woolly thyme)  
*Thymus serpyllum* 'Elfin' (creeping thyme)  
*Thymus vulgaris* 'Compacta' (common thyme)  
*Tulbaghia violacea* (society garlic)

## Woodland edge

*Asplenium scolopendrium* (hart's tongue fern)  
*Deschampsia cespitosa* (tufted hairgrass)  
*Borago officinalis* (borage)  
*Carex divulsa* (grey sedge)  
*Geranium pratense* 'Phoenix' (meadow cranesbill)  
*Geum rivale* (water avens)  
*Helleborus foetidus* (stinking hellebore)  
*Lunaria annua* 'Corfu Blue' (honesty)  
*Linaria purpurea* (purple toadflax)  
*Silene dioica* (red campion)  
*Trifolium ochroleucon* (sulphur clover)  
*Digitalis purpurea* (foxglove)  
*Valeriana officinalis* (common valerian)  
*Angelica archangelica* (angelica)  
*Centaurea nigra* (common knapweed)  
*Dipsacus fullonum* (teasel)  
*Taraxacum officinale* 'Blühfreude' (common dandelion)



### **Pondside / Marginal / Aquatic Plants**

*Butomus umbellatus* (flowering rush)  
*Cirsium rivulare* 'Trevor's Blue Wonder' (brook thistle)  
*Iris sibirica* (Siberian flag)  
*Iris chrysographes* (gold-marked iris)  
*Juncus effusus* (soft rush)  
*Luzula nivea* (snowy woodrush)  
*Lythrum salicaria* 'Robin' (purple loostrike)  
*Nuphar lutea* (yellow waterlily)  
*Osmunda regalis* (royal fern)  
*Thalictrum aquilegifolium* (French meadow rue)  
*Hottonia palustris* (water violet)  
*Mentha aquatica* (water mint)  
*Ranunculus aquatilis* (water crowfoot)

### **Climbers**

*Hedera helix* (common ivy)  
*Hedera hibernica* (Irish ivy)

### **Trees and Shrubs**

*Arbutus x andrachnoides* (strawberry tree)  
*Betula pendula* (silver birch)  
*Crataegus monogyna* (hawthorn)  
*Corylus avellana* (common hazel)  
*Corylus colurna* (Turkish hazel)  
*Pinus sylvestris* (Scots pine)  
*Salix elaeagnos angustifolia* (rosemary-leaved willow)  
*Hippophae rhamnoides* (sea buckthorn)  
*Mespilus germanica* (medlar)  
*Ulmus suberosa minor* (cork-barked elm)  
*Sambucus nigra* (elder)  
*Cistus decumbens*  
*Teucrium fruticans* 'Ouarzaza' (tree germander)  
*Myrtus communis* subsp. *Tarentina* (myrtle)  
*Pittosporum tobira*