

# What to do if You See a Bee



## Don't panic! Here are some things you can do instead!

- Leave them be! Bees are very docile and won't bother you if you don't bother them.
- Don't get too close! Being curious is fine, but staying away is better than swatting them or any aggressive behaviour

## What if Bees are Swarming Like This...



You should leave the bees alone. They aren't looking to be aggressive, just looking for a place to call home! If you stay away, there will be no issues.

## Small Things you Can do to Help

- Don't use chemical pesticides, instead use plants that naturally deter insects
- Plant flowers local to Hong Kong with pollen
- Contact local conservation groups to relocate a beehive on your property instead of pest control or exterminators
- Leave a bowl of water out for pollinators to drink

## Wasps are as Important as Bees

They may seem more aggressive than bees, but won't harm anyone unless they feel threatened.

## Common Bee & Wasp Nest Locations



**Bees** use dark, damp and sheltered areas for hives, which they continue to build throughout the season and



**Wasps** build nests outside on tree branches or on the side of buildings and abandon their nests each year after the season is over.

## Wasp Queen



**Description:** Not very fuzzy, Thin waist and usually larger in size  
**Personality:** Can be aggressive when approached too closely

## Eastern Honeybee



**Description:** Typically Furry, Yellow and Black Stripes, Thick Waist  
**Personality:** Generally docile



## Why you should care

- Bees are responsible for pollinating 80% of the world's plants
- 75% top global food crops depend on pollination
- Bees are utilized as livestock by humans for products such as honey and beeswax, which are used in many other industries