

What to do if You See a Bee



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

1. Leave them be! Bees are very docile and most likely won't bother you if you don't bother them.
2. Don't get too close! Being curious is fine but staying away is better than swatting 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 exterminating it
- Leave a bowl of water out for pollinators to drink

Common places bees & wasps build nests



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



Wasps abandon their nest each year after the season is over.

Wasps are as important as Bees

They may seem more aggressive, but won't harm anyone unless they feel threatened, which is the same with bees

Wasp Queen



Description: Not very fuzzy, thin waist and usually larger in size
Personality: Generally aggressive when approached too closely

Eastern Honeybee



Description: Typically fuzzy, 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% of 115 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