

Everything you wanted to know about pollination (but were too shy to ask)

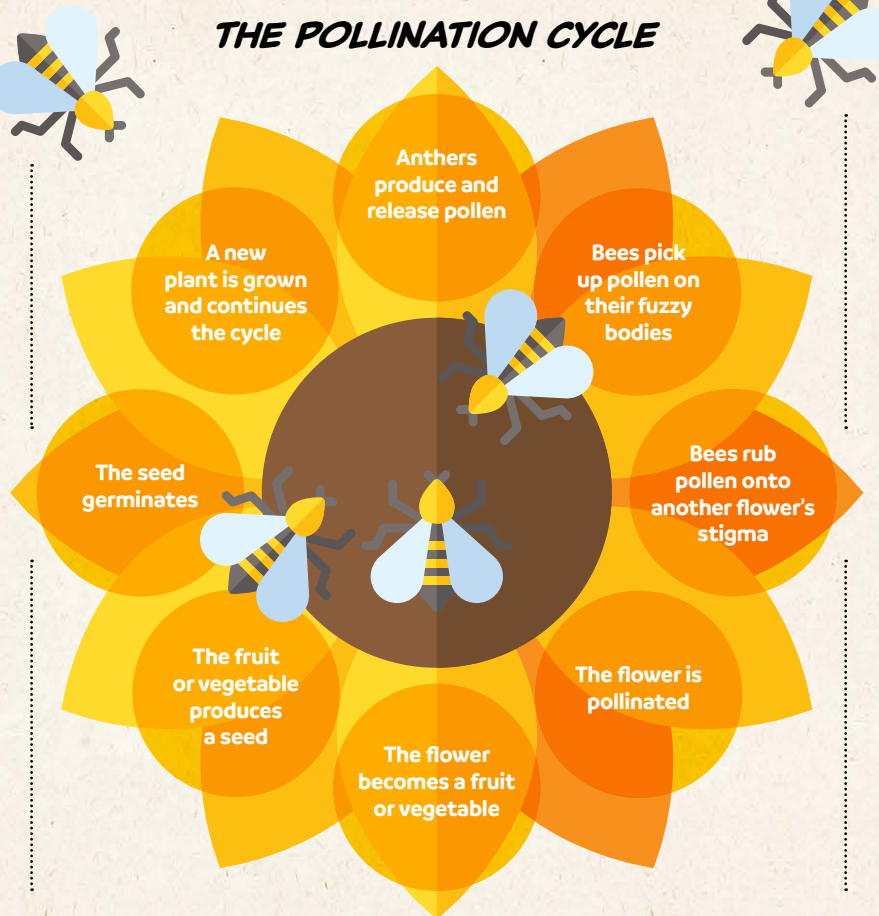
POLLINATION 101

- + One in three bites of food we eat are thanks to pollinators.
- + 300,000 species of flowering plants across the world need pollinators to help make the seeds that become the next generation of plants.
- + Sugary nectar provides pollinators with carbohydrates while pollen gives proteins, fats, vitamins and minerals.

FOODS THAT NEED OUR POLLINATORS



THE POLLINATION CYCLE



HOW YOU CAN HELP

- + Plant things that give bees something to pollinate — think yellow, blue and purple flowers. Bees also love sunflowers and herbs, so this is your incentive to start an herb garden.
- + Install an urban beehive.
- + Rather than exotic plants, choose plants that are native to your area. This is one of the easiest and impactful things you can do. Any garden specialist can help.
- + If you want to attract monarch butterflies, plant milkweed — it's the only plant they will lay their eggs on. Monarch populations have declined by 90% because they can't find milkweed.
- + Help us restore and protect grasslands. Our grasslands are filled with native plants that allow our pollinators to thrive.



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