



June guide: What to plant this month



Pick a plant	Buy me as…	Plant me here	I like a spot that's	I flower around…	Bonus feature
Rosemary (Rosmarinus officinalis)		۲		April–June	Use me to flavour all kinds of cooking – you can also dry my leaves to store them!
Catmint (Nepeta species)	4	Ł	Q	June-September	I need very little care – just cut back my flowers as they fade, so more can bloom to feed bumblebees. May attract cats.
Thyme (<i>Thymus</i> species)		V		May-September	I'm an aromatic taste of the Mediterranean. Once I've been growing a little while, I don't need watering.
Coneflower (Echinacea purpurea)	¥	Ł		June-September	Brighten up your summer with my gorgeous flowers. In winter, birds will love my seedheads too.
Key 🍦 potted plant 🗽 seeds 👔 ground 😻 container 🕹 container 🧔 sunny 🥌 partly shady					

Bumblebees need lots of flowers to feed on. Give them a helping hand by adding just one of these bumblebee favourites to your outdoor space in June. It doesn't matter whether you have a garden, a window box or just a flower pot.

Our top picks are all easy to look after, and great for beginner gardeners. Simply wait for them to flower later this year, then enjoy watching your local bumblebees feeding!

For more planting ideas, try our interactive Bee kind tool **beekind.bumblebeeconservation.org**

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Top tips:

- Read the instruction label on your new plant or seeds for the best way to look after them.
- Thirsty plants won't make any nectar for bumblebees. Make sure yours are watered according to their individual care instructions, particularly in hot, dry weather.
- Always try to choose **organic**, **pesticide-free** plants and seeds these are best for bumblebees.



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