

Insects - Links on how to help

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A. Know your insects

Victorian Pollinator and Beneficial Insects (Poster/flyer) - <https://www.ppwcm.vic.gov.au/wp-content/uploads/2019/06/Victorian-Pollinators-Guide-16pp-DL.pdf>

What Bug is That? - <http://anic.ento.csiro.au/insectfamilies/>

An interesting City of Melbourne study, needs desktop computer - <http://biodiversity.melbourne.vic.gov.au/insects/index.html#/>

Good Bug Bad Bug - <https://thebeatsheet.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2012/06/GoodBadBug-Mar2013-lowres.pdf>

All about Native Bees - aussiebee.com.au

B. What to plant indigenous

CRISP City of Ringwood Indigenous Plant Nursery - <https://www.crispnursery.org.au>

Maroondah Council website - <https://www.maroondah.vic.gov.au/Development/Environmental-Sustainability/Natural-Environment/Indigenous-gardens>

Articles on plants for insects - <https://www.organicgardener.com.au/category/532>

C. Avoid chemical pesticides/herbicides

The dangers of using chemical pesticides for food-growing - <http://theconversation.com/the-real-cost-of-pesticides-in-australias-food-boom-20757>

Health Dept recommendations - <https://www.betterhealth.vic.gov.au/health/HealthyLiving/pest-control-in-the-home>

D. Use natural insecticides and pesticides

Gardening Australia - <https://www.abc.net.au/gardening/factsheets/home-made-remedies/9430018>

Insects pictured on the insect ID puzzle sheet

Admiral Butterfly (Yellow)

Ant

Blow Fly

Blue-banded Bee

Bush Tick

Christmas Beetle

Cicada

Damsel Fly

Dragonfly

Earwig

Emperor Gum Moth

European Wasp

Field Cricket

Flea

Grasshopper
Greenfly (Aphid)
Honey bee
Hover Fly
Lacewing
Mole Cricket
Mosquito
Preying Mantis
Shield Bug
Stick Insect
Termite
Weevil

Answers:

1. Shield Bug, 2. Weevil, 3. Mosquito, 4. Greenfly (Aphid), 5. Mole Cricket, 6. European Wasp, 7. Dragon Fly, 8. Earwig, 9. Damselfly, 10. Blow Fly, 11. Hover Fly, 12. Lacewing, 13. Cicada, 14. Blue-banded Bee, 15. Bush Tick, 16. Stick Insect, 17. (Yellow) Admiral Butterfly, 18. Grasshopper, 19. Emperor Gumm Moth, 20. Honey Bee, 21. Termite, 22. Preying Mantis, 23. Christmas Beetle, 24. Ant, 25. Flea, 26. Field Cricket