

Local Plant Pollen Key

Pollen Colour	Flower Colour	Name	Period of flowering - BC	Period of flowering - AB	Nectar
Blue	Blue	Phacelia tenacetifolia	June - Aug.	Late June - mid-Sept.	*
Brown	White	Clover, white	May - Sept	Late May - mid-Oct.	Y
Brown	Purple, dark	Figwort	June - Aug.	Late June - mid-Sept.	*
Brown, dark	Red	Clover, red	June - Sept.	Late June - mid-Oct.	Y
Brown, grayish	Pink	Marjoram	Aug. - Oct.	Late Aug. - Late Oct.	Y
Brown, light	White	cheery sweet, sour, wild	Apr. - May	Late Apr. - mid-June	Y
Brown, light	Orange, red	Honeysuckle	July - Aug.	Late July - mid-Sept.	*
Brown, light	White	Plums	Apr. - May	Late Apr. - mid-June	Y
Brown, white	Blue	Cornflower (Bachelor buttons)	July - Aug.	Late July - mid-Sept.	Y
Cream, grayish	White to pink	Bindweed, (morning glory)	July	Late July	Y
Cream, brownish	Green-yellow	Yew	Feb. - Mar.	Late Feb. - mid-Apr.	?
Green	Purple	Loosestrife, purple	June - Sept.	Late June - mid-Oct.	Y
Green, light	White	Crabapple	Apr. - May	Late Apr. - mid-June	Y
Green, light	Greenish-yellow	Currant, red	Apr. - May	Late Apr. - mid-June	Y
Green, light	Greenish-white	Gooseberry	Apr. - May	Late Apr. - mid-June	?
Green, light	Greenish-yellow	Maple, big leaf, ash leaf	Mar. - Apr.	Late Mar. - mid-May	*
Green, yellow	Yellow catkins	Oak, white	June - Sept.	Late June - mid-Oct.	HD
Gray	White	Bean, lima	June - July	Late June - mid-Aug.	Y
Gray	White	Blackberry	May - June	Late May - mid-July	Y
Gray	Green	Elm	Apr. - May	Late Apr. - mid-June	N
Gray	Purple	Thistle, Canada	July - Aug.	Late July - mid-Sept.	*
Gray, light	Greenish, yellow	Ash, mountain	May - June	Late May - mid-July	?
Gray, light	Blue	Borage	June - Frost	Late June - Frost	Y
Gray, light	Blue	Chicory	July - Oct.	Late July - early Nov.	Y
Gray, light	Purple, blue	Knopweed	July - Oct.	Late July - early Nov.	Y
Gray, light	White	Raspberries	May - June	Late May - mid-July	Y
Gray, yellowish	Green catkins	Alder, mountain	Mar. - May	Late Mar. - mid-June	N
Purple, dark	Red	Poppy, field	June - July	Late June - mid-Aug.	?
Orange	Yellow	Asparagus	June - July	Late June - mid-Aug.	Y
Orange	Blue	Crocus	Mar. - Apr.	Late Mar. - mid-May	Y
Orange	Yellow	Dandelion	Apr. - June	Late Apr. - mid-July	Y
Orange	White	Snowdrop	Mar. - Apr.	Late Mar. - mid-May	?
Orange, golden	Orange, yellow	Poppy, California	May - Sept.	Late May - mid-Sept.	N
Orange, red	Yellow	Mullein	June - Aug.	Late June - mid-Sept.	Y
Red	Red, cream	Chestnut, horse	May - June	Late May - mid-July	Y
Red	Purple, blue	Lupin	Mar. - Apr.	Late Mar. - mid-May	Y
Yellow	White, pink, red	Apple	Apr. - May	Late Apr. - mid-June	
Yellow	Green catkins	Birch	Mar. - Apr.	Mid-Apr. - May	N
Yellow	Yellow catkins	Broccoli	Aug.	Late Aug. - mid-Sept.	Y
Yellow	White	Buckwheat	July - Aug.	Late July - mid-Sept.	Y
Yellow	Yellow catkins	Cabbage	July - Aug.	Late July - mid-Sept.	*
Yellow	White	Dogwood	May to July	Late May - mid-Aug.	N
Yellow	White	Lilac	May - June	Late May - early July	Y
Yellow	Cream	Plaintain	Apr. - Aug.	Late Apr. - mid-Sept.	N
Yellow	Green catkins	Poplar, trembling aspen	Mar. - May	Mid-Apr. - June	N
Yellow	Yellow, brown	Sunflower	June - Sept.	Late June - early Oct.	Y
Yellow	Gray catkins	Willow, pussy	Feb. - Mar.	Late Feb. - mid-Apr.	Y
Yellow, dark	Creamy, white	Elder, mountain	June to July	Late June - mid-Aug.	Y
Yellow, dark	Red, cream	Chestnut, sweet	June to July	Late June - mid-Aug.	Y
Yellow, dark	Yellow catkins	Hazelnut	Feb. - Mar.	Late Feb. to mid-Apr.	N
Yellow, dark	White	Lilac, wild	Apr. - May	Late Apr. - mid-June	Y

KEY: Y = nectar N = no nectar HD = honeydew * = good source ? = not known or conflicting information

