

Animal Fact Sheet

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European honey bee

Apis mellifera

The European honey bee is a highly social insect renowned for its critical role in pollination and honey production. Originating in Europe, Asia, and Africa, this species has been introduced worldwid...

Quick facts

Classification: Invertebrate

Family: Apidae

Habitat: Woodlands, meadows, grasslands, gardens, and agricultural areas

Diet: Herbivore

Conservation status: Least Concern

Lifespan: 1 month to 5 years (workers: 1-2 months, queens: up to 5 years, drones: a few weeks)

Weight: 0.08–0.1 grams

Scientific name: *Apis mellifera*

Did you know?

- A single honey bee visits up to 5,000 flowers in one day while foraging for nectar and pollen.
- European honey bees can recognize human faces, and a single colony can produce up to 100 pounds of honey in a year. Their wax is used to build intric...

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