



## Planting for Biodiversity

To get your balcony buzzing:      Grow a range for plants for year-round flowering  
Avoid plants with double or multi-petalled flowers  
Do not use pesticides on plants in flower  
If you have room, provide nest sites for solitary bees

### Suggested plants for year-round flowering:

#### Spring

Crocus  
Hellebores  
Miniature daffodils  
Snowdrops

#### Summer

Allium (ornamental onion)  
Cornflowers  
Cosmos  
Gaura  
Hardy geraniums  
Lavender  
Marigold  
Nemesia  
Russian sage (Perovskia)  
Salvias  
Spotted dead nettle (*lamium maculatum*)  
Verbena bonariensis

#### Autumn

Asters (Michaelmas daisy)  
Dahlias (single flowered)  
Japanese anemone  
Sedum

#### Winter

Clematis cirrhosa  
Crocus (winter-flowering types)  
Eranthis hyemalis (winter aconite)  
Galanthus nivalis (common snowdrop)

### Plants to improve air quality

Convolvulus cneorum (Silverbush)  
Hebe "Mrs Winder"  
Heuchera villosa  
Lavender  
Stachys Byzantina (Lambs ears - not all types flower)

### More information

<https://www.rhs.org.uk/science/pdf/conservation-and-biodiversity/wildlife/plants-for-pollinators-garden-plants.pdf>

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