Further information

doing so unless the circumstances Staff at the Bumblebee move nests and do not recommend Conservation Trust are unable to

a list of frequently asked questions entrances or moving nests) please on bumblebee nests (including visit our website where you will find If you require more information

please contact enquiries@ you still require further assistance If after reading all of the information

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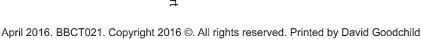
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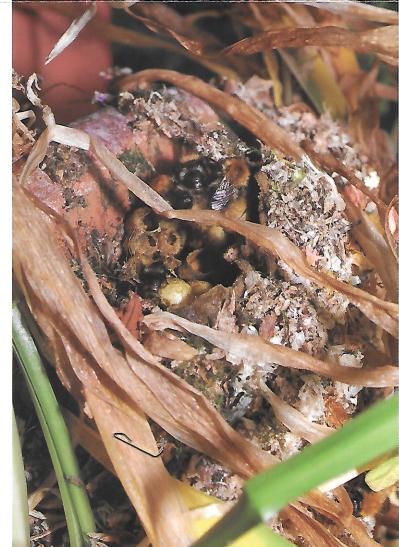




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Bumblebee nests

what to do if you find one



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a bumblebee nest? Where will you find

these nests ending in autumn. season within the same year, with bumblebees have a second nesting off naturally, in most places they only up in bird boxes, hollowed trees, or above ground in thick grass or compost or under garden decking. Others nest abandoned rodent holes, under sheds nest underground, in places such as places for potential nesting sites. Some hibernation to look for food and shelter when the queens emerge from Bumblebee season starts in spring last until the end of summer. Some nest for a few months before dying roof eaves. The colony will live in the heaps, while some make nests high investigating a variety of different At this time they can often be seen

and this is nothing to be concerned intimidating, male bees cannot sting from the nest. Although this can look with a new queen as she emerges with each other for a chance to mate is a group of male bees competing it is known as a 'drone cloud' which in the summer. This is not a 'swarm' groups of bees flying around the nest your roof eaves you may see large hypnorum) nesting in a bird box or If you have Tree bumblebees (Bombus



are now one of species, they are our most common (Bombus hypnorum) Tree bumblebees urban nesters and

will readily nest in bird boxes and roof



if you find a nest

gets the chance to see a living, will quietly go about their lives looking working bumblebee colony. Thankfully crops and wildflowers as they do so. bumblebees are not aggressive and yourself very lucky! Not everyone If you find a bumblebee nest, consider for flowers to forage on, pollinating our

- won't disturb you either! If you are lucky enough to find a nest, do not disturb it, and they
- breathing on the nest. Don't get too close and avoid
- chew through wood. your house - you can rest assured If bumblebees are nesting in or on damage and do not bore holes or they do not cause structural
- entrance hole, to prevent a new queen from finding the same hole the nest is empty and block the year, wait for the autumn when rather not have another nest next roof space or cavity wall and you'd If bumblebees have nested in your next year.
- Visit our Bee kind tool for plant Make sure to provide plenty of recommendations colony throughout its life-cycle bee-friendly plants to help the

Moving bumblebee nests

unable to move bumblebee nests. **Bumblebee Conservation Trust staff are** attempting to work on a nest. Please note: bumblebeeconservation.org. Make sure to and how to move a nest yourself at www. website on how to re-route a nest entrance location, we have some guidance on our allow it to finish its lifecycle in the current real problems for you and you simply can't nests. However, if you find a nest is causing We do not recommend moving bumblebee read all of the available information before

What do bumblebees do?

tomatoes, apples including strawberries, cucumbers pollinate many of our everyday favourites Bumblebees are vitally important as they

Sadly though, and raspberries numbers are in bumblebee





Remember.



don't last long and naturally within a couple all of the bees die off of months, except for Bumblebee colonies find a place to hibernate the new queens which

year, but all nests are empty by late autumn bumblebees have a second nest in the same next year's colonies. Occasionally, some elsewhere in the soil - ready to start

Did you know.

- autumn, only queens surviv
- sting (and only do so if they Bumblebees are not feel threatened).
- 97% of the UK's wildflower Bumblebees do not swarm bumblebees and other meadows have disappeare n the last 80 years, leaving
- Bumblebee nests only live a nest competing for a mate
- them is the honeybee and t these are bumblebees, one different types of bee, 25 of In the UK there are over 25

