

Table 3.—Garden flowers that attract beneficial insects.

Common name/Botanical name*	Predators attracted	Parasitoids attracted
Apiaceae (carrot family)		
Angelica (<i>Angelica archangelica</i>)	Lacewings, lady beetles	—
Anise (<i>Pimpinella anisum</i>)	—	Wasps
Blue lace (<i>Trachymene coerulea</i>)	—	Wasps
Caraway (<i>Carum carvi</i>)	Bugs, hover flies (syrphid flies), lacewings	Wasps
Coriander (<i>Coriandrum sativum</i>)	Hover flies	Tachinids, wasps
Dill (<i>Anethum graveolens</i>)	Hover flies, lady beetles	Wasps
Lovage (<i>Levisticum officinale</i>)	—	Wasps
White lace flower, bishop's weed (<i>Ammi majus</i>)	Bugs, hover flies, lady beetles	Tachinids, wasps
Yarrow (<i>Achillea</i> spp.)	Bugs, lady beetles	Wasps
Asteraceae (daisy family)		
Blazing star, gayfeather (<i>Liatris</i> spp.)	Bugs	Wasps
Chamomile (<i>Anthemis nobilis</i>)	Lady beetles	—
Coreopsis (<i>Coreopsis</i> spp.)	Lacewings, lady beetles	Wasps
Cosmos (<i>Cosmos bipinnatus</i>)	Hover flies, lacewings, minute pirate bugs	—
Golden marguerite (<i>Anthemis tinctoria</i>)	Lady beetles	Tachinids, wasps
Goldenrod (<i>Solidago altissima</i>)	Bugs, lady beetles, soldier beetles	Wasps
Marigold, signet (<i>Tagetes tenuifolia</i>)	Minute pirate bugs	Wasps
Mexican sunflower (<i>Tithonia rotundifolia</i>)	Hover flies, minute pirate bugs	—
Sunflower (<i>Helianthus annuus</i> and <i>H. debilis</i>)	Hover flies, lady beetles	Wasps
Tansy (<i>Tanacetum vulgare</i>)	Hover flies, lady beetle larvae	Wasps
Brassicaceae (cabbage family)		
Broccoli (<i>Brassica oleracea</i>)	Hover flies	Wasps
Candytuft (<i>Iberis umbellata</i>)	Hover flies	—
Mustards (<i>Brassica hirta</i> and <i>B. juncea</i>)	Big-eyed bugs, hover flies, minute pirate bugs	—
Sweet alyssum (<i>Lobularia maritima</i>)	Hover flies	Tachinids, wasps
Dipsaceae (scabiosa family)		
Cephalaria (<i>Cephalaria gigantea</i>)	Hover flies	Wasps
Pincushion flower (<i>Scabiosa caucasica</i>)	Hover flies	Wasps
Scabiosa (<i>Scabiosa atropurpurea</i>)	Hover flies	—
Fabaceae (legume family)		
Alfalfa (<i>Medicago sativa</i>)	Bees, bugs, lacewings, lady beetles	—
Clover (<i>Trifolium</i> spp.)	Bees, bugs, lacewings, lady beetles	—
Hydrophyllaceae (waterleaf family)		
Fiddleneck (<i>Phacelia tanacetifolia</i>)	Bees, bugs, hover flies	—
Polygonaceae (buckwheat family)		
Buckwheat (<i>Eriogonum</i> spp. and <i>Fagopyrum</i> spp.)	Hover flies	—

*This list includes only some of the many plants whose pollen and nectar attract beneficial insects.