

# No Mow May

A Small Change That Helps Pollinators in a Big Way

## What is it?

No Mow May is a simple idea: skip mowing for the month of May to help bees and other pollinators find the early food they need to survive..

## Why does it matter?

Early spring blooms like dandelions, violets, and clover pop up before most garden plants begin to flower. These weeds are actually vital nectar sources for native bees. When we mow them down too soon, we remove their chance to eat and survive.

## What can I do?

- Let your whole yard grow, or just skip mowing one patch.
- Choose a sunny corner, the backyard edge, or a space under trees.
- Mow a tidy edge around your no-mow area to show it's intentional.
- Put up a sign to let neighbors know you're helping pollinators.

## What about neighbors or HOA rules?

Even a small patch matters. Mowed edges and signage can help keep things looking neat and purposeful. You can also share this flyer with others to spread the word.

## Why bees?

Bees play a huge role in pollinating food crops and wild plants. But they're struggling due to habitat loss, pesticides, and climate shifts. No Mow May gives them a boost when they need it most.

## How does this help my garden?

More pollinators means better veggie harvests and healthier flowers later in the season. You'll also see more butterflies, birds, and beneficial bugs.

Learn more about bee-friendly practices at [BeesHaven.com](https://www.BeesHaven.com).

