

Blue-Banded Bee

This bee has blue and black stripes on its abdomen and is a solitary bee, which means it likes to travel around and live on its own.



Teddy Bear Bee

This bee has the name of Teddy Bear Bee because it is a bit chubby and is covered in a brown, fluffy fur! They build burrows in soil to use as their nests.



Carpenter Bee

This is a female Carpenter Bee. The males have quite different colouring, they still have a metallic sheen but are more yellowy-green. When building its nest the female bee will cut nest burrows into the flower spikes of grass trees or other soft timbers.



Stingless Bee

This is a Stingless Bee, which means these bees don't have a sting. They also produce honey. There are 11 species of Stingless Bees in Australia.



Resin Bee

Resin Bees get their name because they build their houses out of resin (like the sap from trees). They come in a range of colours, including red, orange and black.



Lasioglossum Bee

There are over 250 species of Lasioglossum Bees in Australia. The female Lasioglossum Bees can carry large amounts of pollen on their furry bodies and legs. Females usually work alone to create their nests in burrows in the ground, although sometimes a group of females may share a nest.



Leafcutter Bee

The amazing Leafcutter Bee cuts out a neat circle or oval from a leaf and uses these leaf pieces to weave little cradles for her eggs to rest in inside her burrow nest.



Cuckoo Bee

Cuckoo Bees will lay their eggs in the nests of other bees, just like cuckoo birds do. Different types of Cuckoo Bees will choose particular nests to lay their eggs in. The Neon Cuckoo Bee lays its eggs in the nests of the Blue-banded Bee, while the Domino Cuckoo Bee will lay its eggs in the nests of Teddy Bear Bees.



Reed Bee

Reed Bees are social bees, meaning that they live together in groups of two or three and share nest duties. They create a nest inside the stems of tree ferns or grass trees.



European Honey Bee

The most common type of bee that we find in Australia is not even a native bee! But it is still an important pollinator, helping to pollinate both native plants and agricultural crops.

