

POLLINATOR PREFERENCES

INFORMATION SHEET

		Pollinators						
		Moth	Bee	Bat	Bird	Beetle	Butterfly	Wind
Flower Features	Size	Various	Various	Large	Large	Large	Various	Small
	Shape	Open, sometimes narrowing into a tube	Various	Regular, bowl-shaped, closed during the day	Tubular	Open	Various	Small, stigmas protruding. Sometimes hanging in bunches
	Colour	White or pale	Colourful, patterned (especially blue and yellow, but not red)	Dull	Colourful (especially red and yellow)	Dull, white or green	Bright, including red and purple, sometimes patterned	Dull, petals often absent or small
	Scent	Strong and sweet, emitted at night	Fresh, mild, pleasant	Strong musty or fruity odour, emitted at night	None	Fruity or rotty	Faint but fresh	None
	Nectar	Lots of nectar, deep in the flower	Present	Lots	Lots of nectar, deep in the flower	Sometimes	Lots of nectar, deep in the flower	None
	Pollen	Limited	Limited; often sticky and scented	Lots	Small amounts	Lots	Small amounts	Lots; small smooth, and not sticky
EXAMPLES:		Jasmine	Most regular flowers you see in gardens	Kiekie, pōhutukawa, wood rose, perching lilies, nīkau	Harakeke, tree fuchsia, kaka beak, kōwhai, rimu, cabbage tree	Lilies, myrtle, heath,	Hebe, nettle, marigold, aster	Toetoe, kawakawa, mānuka, kānuka, tōtara, miro, rimu