HONEY BEES - HELPING TO FEED THE WORLD



Honey bees' contributions to our planet extend far beyond making honey. They are vital to the health of ecosystems and their pollination is essential to the global food supply. In fact, many of the foods on our plates that are colorful and nutritious, are made possible by the hardworking honey bees and the beekeepers that care for them.



Without honey bees our gardens, grocery stores, refrigerators and favorite restaurant menus would look a lot different. Imagine a world with no guacamole for taco Tuesday, apples for an afternoon snack or almonds for honey and nut-butter sandwiches.

Honey bees contribute so much to our planet and without them we would no longer have widespread availability of many of our favorite foods and ingredients.

Here are 50 foods that are either dependent upon honey bee pollination or benefit from it.

Cherries Almonds Onion Apples Cinnamon Papaya Peaches **Apricots** Citrus (orange, lemon, Artichoke grapefruit, tangerine) Pears Coconut **Peppers** Asparagus Avocado Coffee Plums Blackberries Cranberries Pumpkin Blueberries Cucumbers Radish

Broccoli Eggplants Raspberries

Brussels Sprouts Garlic, Herbs (spices) Squash Cacao Honeydew Strawberry

Cantaloupe Kale Tea

Carrots Kiwi Tomatoes Cashew Macadamia Vanilla

Cauliflower Mango Watermelon

Celery Nectarines

See a lot of fruits, veggies, nuts & spices that you love? Thank a honey bee!







Did you know?

Honey bees are responsible for pollinating one-third of the foods we eat, including a variety of different crops like fruits, vegetables and nuts?

They also pollinate ingredients like herbs and spices that make many of the other foods we eat more flavorful and delicious.



