



Bilberry Bumblebee in your Garden – Report sheet

If you find a Bilberry Bumblebee in your garden, email bumblebeesonthemynd@gmail.com

Please include the following:

- Your **name** (required for any biological record to be accepted)
- **Date** of your sighting (during June or July 2020)
- Outside **temperature** (°C)
- Your **location**: If possible your Ordinance Survey grid reference (OS Locate App) and/or place name or postcode)
- Name of the **flower** the bee was visiting (if you are able to identify it)
- A **photograph**

Photographs can be tricky, but don't let this put you off. They are the best tool we have for positive identification. If you are sure you have seen a Bilberry Bumblebee and don't manage to take a photo, do still tell us.

If you can take a photograph, keep your distance, as you can use zoom later to get a better look. Another trick is to take a video and then choose the best screen shot. For more tips see www.bumblebeeconservation.org/using-photographs-for-id/

It may help to complete your record over several days in this format, which can also be sent by email:

My sightings of the Bilberry Bumblebee, *Bombus monticola*

Full Name: _____ (required for any biological record to be accepted)

OS Grid Ref: SO ___ _ Place name: _____

Date	Temp (°C)	Flower	Photo? Yes/No

I wish to receive email updates for this project Yes/No

By submitting your data you are consenting to it being stored collated and analysed by Debbie Vivers with assistance from the Stepping Stones project, Harper Adams University and the Bumblebee Conservation Trust. Your personal details will be stored securely on a password protected document. The biological record you make (ie. Your name, where and when you made the sighting) may be passed to the County Recorder for bees and wasps, whose role it is to submit all bee and wasp records for Shropshire to the Shropshire Ecological Data Network. It will not be shared with any other organisation. We will not identify individuals or individual locations in the published results.

If you wish to receive further emails about the project, please make this clear when you submit your record.