

# SOLITARY BEES: 10 SPECIES YOU MIGHT SPOT IN YOUR GARDEN

**Grey Mining Bee**  
*Andrena cineraria*



**When:** March-June  
**ID:** Black bee with two grey hair bands across the thorax

**Tawny Mining Bee**  
*Andrena fulva*



**When:** March-June  
**ID:** Deep red hairs on thorax, orange hairs on abdomen

**Orange-tailed Mining Bee**  
*Andrena haemorrhoa*



**When:** March-August  
**ID:** Ginger thorax + orange hind legs + red hairs at tip of abdomen

**Orange-legged Furrow Bee**  
*Halictus rubicundus*



**When:** March-September  
**ID:** Ginger thorax + orange hind legs + white bands on abdomen

**Marsham's Nomad Bee**  
*Nomada marshamella*



**When:** April - August  
**ID:** Dark orange legs & antennae + black & yellow abdomen + 2<sup>nd</sup> yellow band broken in middle

**Wool-carder Bee**  
*Anthidium manicatum*



**When:** June-August  
**ID:** Yellow markings on sides of the abdomen, head & legs

**Red Mason Bee**  
*Osmia bicornis*



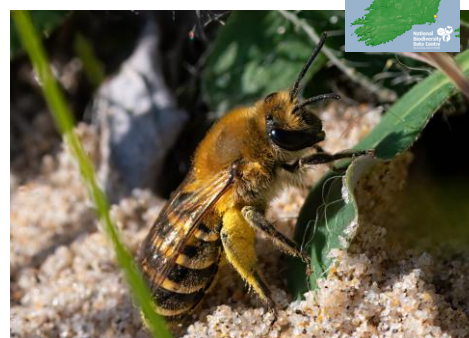
**When:** April-June  
**ID:** Brownish hairs on thorax, reddish hairs on abdomen, two facial horns below antennae.

**Violet Carpenter Bee**  
*Xylocopa violacea*



**When:** June-August  
**ID:** Very large black bee with dark wings that have violet reflections

**Ivy Bee**  
*Colletes hederæ*



**When:** September - November  
**ID:** Ginger thorax & pale bands on the abdomen. First recorded 2021

**Hairy-footed Flower Bee**  
*Anthophora plumipes*



**When:** March-May  
**ID:** Males have a long fringe of hairs on lower middle leg. First recorded in Dublin City, 2022