All Ireland Pollinator Plan 2015--2020

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Addressing the **pollination crisis** with a suite of solutions

 Todays presentation is looking at the Horticultural Industry in the context of Pollinators .

 Addressing sustainability , helping the marketability of plants and ticking the boxes for Pollinators .

Plant based solutions

 Advising National Biodiversity in a voluntary capacity for a number of years has been a great journey of Discovery

 My background is Town planning ,Ecology and Horticulture with special emphasis on ornamental plants ,gained at Pershore College of Horticulture

Pollinator solutions make economic sense

Looking at Plants from the perspective of Scientist and that of a Horticulturist has come up with some interesting results



We choose Roses ,Summer Bedding and Herbaceous Perennials



Rosa persica

- Species rose grows in Asia
- Single flowers bright yellow with a deep red blotch
- Breeding process took 15 years
- Eye Only series developed
- 2015 Rose of the year
- Eye series first seen as Pollinator plants in Rentes Nursery

Eye Series





Hoverflies





People love **Summer Colour** Hanging baskets love people





Lots of summer plants Are not pollinator Friendly

Double Begonias
Most Petunias

• Bedding Geraniums

• Buzy Lizzy



Tidy Towns make Summer vibrant across Ireland

• www,pollinators.ie Conference video

 How do you make Summer Bedding Pollinator Friendly ?

• Answer use **B** and **B**



B and B

• Bidens • Bacopa



Since **2016** these plants have being observed

Bidens



Bidens



Both seen in the Orchard Celbridge

Bacopa



Bacopa



Add **Bidens** and **Bacopa Pollinators** will say **thanks**

Bidens, Bacopa in my garden



Bidens in mixed summer scheme



Books give lists of favourite pollinator plants Insects have their own favourite plants at specific periods

Stachys Hummelo



Aster Monch



Calamintha nepeta sub nepeta

Salvia Maynacht



Rudbeckia liked by Pollinators when sunny in autumn Honka Dahlia liked by Bumblebees







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