



Solitary and Social Bees Green Metallic Sweat Bees



Green Metallic
Sweat Bee
7 to 12 mm in length



Genus: Agapostemon
(pronounced a-ga-POSS-ta-mon)



Purple
Aster Flowers

Growing flowers in your community helps the bees that make your food.

Metallic sweat bees carry pollen on their hind back legs.

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- Dandelion
- Salt shaker
- Cilantro

Field Notes:

Green metallic sweat bees pollinate the flowers of many cultivated plants (plants grown on purpose) as well as many wildflowers. Sweat bees have been given this name because they lick the sweat of mammals as a way to add salt to their diet. They are medium-sized and have a bright metallic green color. These bees love open and flat-shaped flowers such as daisies, dandelions, wild roses and blackberry and apple blossoms. They love purple asters, a plant grown by many Oregon nurseries (places where plants are grown on purpose).

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A trait of this bee is that it is bright in color.
Name a synonym for bright:
