



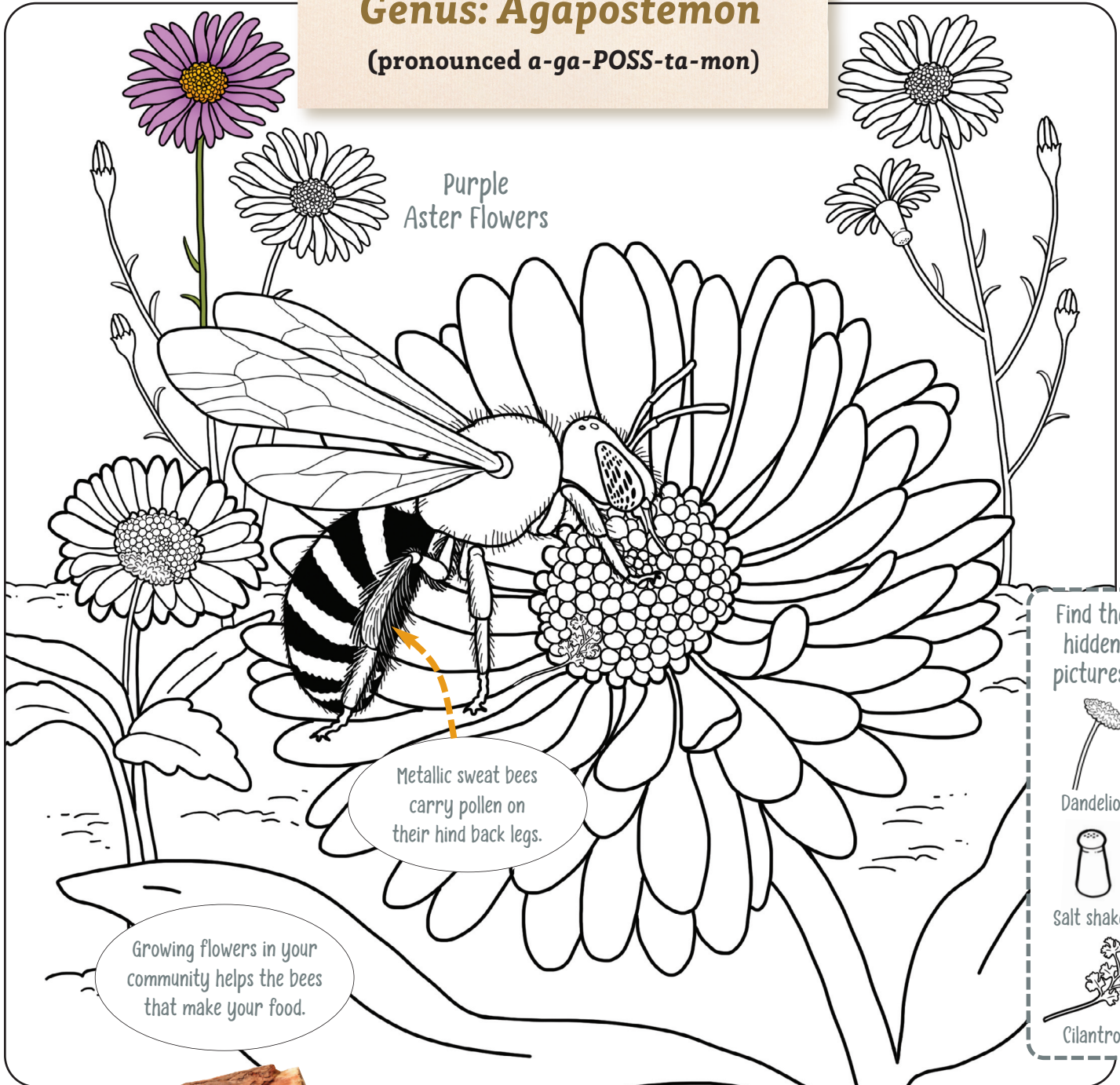
# Solitary and Social Bees Green Metallic Sweat Bees



Green Metallic  
Sweat Bee  
7 to 12 mm in length



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



Purple  
Aster Flowers

Metallic sweat bees  
carry pollen on  
their hind back legs.

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


Find the hidden pictures!

-  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).

If a green metallic sweat bee visited your garden and you wanted to name it, what would you name it and why?



A trait of this bee is that it is bright in color.

Name a synonym for bright:

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