



Worth Park Gardens Eco-News

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Worth Park Goes Pesticide Free

Since the beginning of April 2019, Worth Park no longer uses pesticides to control pests and diseases.

Which is better for the environment and the well being of the local community.



Global News

Brazil early 2019

Beekeepers reported loosing 500 million bees within three to four months.

At first it was blamed on CCD Colony Collapse Disorder, this is where worker bees abandon their hives and disappear but apparently the bees were dropping dead on the spot.

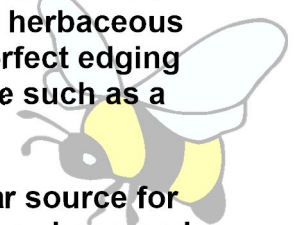
It was said that the probable cause was the use of pesticides, many of which are banned in the UK and Europe



The Fabulous Catmint Plant

The Nepeta plant makes a wonderful garden choice if you want to bring colour to a gravel area, herbaceous border or as pictured above it makes a perfect edging plant which can soften any hard landscape such as a path.

These plants will provide a very rich nectar source for pollinators, especially 'Apis melifera' honey bees and bumble bees like the Buff-tailed bumble bee 'Bombus terrestris' who go completely mad over this plant.



Plant Profile

- **Flowering:** Late spring to early summer, (position-full sun, partial shade).
- **Hardiness:** Fully hardy and drought tolerant.
- **Propagation:** Divide plants in early spring.
- **Pests & diseases:** Generally pest and disease free.
- **Cultivation:** Cut down to ground level in mid to late December.

Nepeta x frasseni
(six-hills giant)

