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Brands That Contain Neonicotinoids

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The [Xerces Society for Invertebrate Conservation](#) reports that the following brand names may contain neonicotinoids:

- Bayer Advanced 3-in-1 Insect, Disease, & Mite Control
- Bayer Advanced 12 Month Tree & Shrub Insect Control
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- Bayer Advanced Fruit, Citrus & Vegetable Insect Control
- Bayer Advanced All-in-One Rose & Flower Care concentrate
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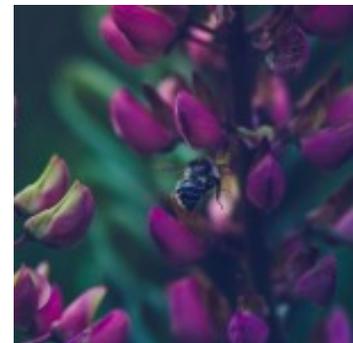
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Why should neonicotinoids be avoided?

Neonicotinoids in garden and household products may be up to 120-times higher than in products allocated for agricultural purposes.

The following facts were taken from the Xerces Society's recent study entitled: "Are Neonicotinoids Killing Bees?" *A Review of Research on the Effects of Neonicotinoid Insecticides on Bees, with Recommendations for Action:*

- Neonicotinoid levels found in certain garden and house plants, and other places may be lethal to pollinators, who consume the nectar and pollen of those plants.
- Plants that are not treated with neonicotinoids may absorb neonicotinoids from the soil.
- Neonicotinoids may remain in the surrounding soil for months, and even years, after only one use.

According to the Xerces Society:

"Measurable amounts of residue were found in woody plants up to six years after application."

When bees and other pollinators consume the nectar or pollen of a plant that has been treated with neonicotinoids, the pesticide is then broken down in the stomach of the honeybee or pollinator, where it releases substances that are toxic to that creature.

"Unlike many other pesticides, neonicotinoids appear to be more toxic to honey bees by oral consumption than by contact," says the Xerces Society.

To help promote healthy numbers of pollinators, aim to buy plants that have not been treated by the above pesticides. Many organic farmers or trusted plant growers will not use such chemicals, but more natural alternatives to protect their plants from bugs and insects.



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