

Citizen Science Observing Pollinators Kit

Materials:

- Binoculars (12)
- Stopwatch (2)
- Data sheets & clipboards (12)
- Dry erase markers (12)
- How to Use SciStarter Guide (1)
- Bee observer sheets (1)
- Bee identification sheets (1)
- NC Guide to Wildflowers and Plants (1)
- Optional (not included in kit): Flower seeds (0)

Step 1: Visit the Volunteer Toolkit and choose the Think Like a Citizen Scientist Journey.

Step 2: Review the SciStarter Guide in your kit. Follow the instructions to set up a SciStarter account and begin viewing projects to choose from with your troop.

Step 3: Pick a project to complete with your kit. Options that work well for this kit include: The Great Sunflower Project, Zombee Hunter and Bee Spotter. Other projects may work as well, so make the decision as a troop. Review all the videos and resources linked to your project in SciStarter.

Step 4: Share your SciStarter link with girls and start collecting data in SciStarter or via the website for the project you are working on. It is optional to have girls/guardians use a computer to have a SciStarter account. Troop leaders can submit manual entries instead if girls/guardians do not have access to SciStarter.

Step 5: Take your kit outside and get started collecting data. If you cannot meet together as a group, have girls go outdoors in an area of their choice and submit data via SciStarter or back to the troop leader. If outdoors is not an option at all, find a live feed online that will allow you to watch and gather data in real time.

Step 6: Collect data and submit on SciStarter or the project website you are working with.

Step 7 (Optional): Plant flower seeds for pollinators.

Thank you for participating in Citizen Science! Want to do more? Go to your dashboard on [SciStarter.org](https://www.scistarter.org) to find a similar project like the ones below or try an entirely different kind of project!