

## Distributors of Blue Orchard Bees and Supplies

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*Compiled by Cory A. Stanley, USU Cooperative Extension*

This list is meant to guide those interested in using blue orchard bees, also known as mason bees, (*Osmia lignaria*) as pollinators either on a commercial scale or a hobbyist scale. Please be aware that this list contains both wholesale and retail suppliers. Also, please be aware that there may be issues with moving blue orchard bees from western populations to eastern areas, and vice versa. If at all possible, purchase bees locally, or at least as close as you can. This will result in healthier, better performing bees, and you will be happier with the results.

If you would like to add to this list, or if you have any questions about blue orchard bees or other pollinators, please contact Dr. Cory Stanley ([cory.stanley@usu.edu](mailto:cory.stanley@usu.edu)).

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### Information about blue orchard bees

#### **HOW TO MANAGE THE BLUE ORCHARD BEE AS AN ORCHARD POLLINATOR**

J. Bosch and W. P. Kemp

Sustainable Agriculture Network Handbook series 5

This very informative book is out of print, but is available as a pdf:

[www.sare.org/publications/bee/blue\\_orchard\\_bee.pdf](http://www.sare.org/publications/bee/blue_orchard_bee.pdf)

#### **USDA-ARS Bee Biology and Systematics Laboratory website**

[www.loganbeelab.usu.edu](http://www.loganbeelab.usu.edu)

#### **International Pollination Systems website**

[www.pollination.com](http://www.pollination.com)

#### **Bees and Supplies** (in alphabetical order)

##### **3B Sales & Service**

Bill Bowlin  
PO Box 6054  
North Logan, UT 84341  
(435) 258-2009  
[3bsales&service@pcu.net](mailto:3bsales&service@pcu.net)

Products available:

Bees, starter kits, straws, tubes

**Beediverse® Products of CPC, Ltd.**

641 Claremont St.  
Coquitlam, BC  
Canada  
V3J 3T5  
(800) 794-2144  
[info@beediverse.com](mailto:info@beediverse.com)  
[www.beediverse.com](http://www.beediverse.com)

Products available:

Bees, nest blocks, tubes, kits, book, how-to video

**Crown Bees**

Dave Hunter  
14313 NE 177<sup>th</sup> Ct.  
Woodinville, WA 980172  
(425) 794-2144  
[info@crowbees.com](mailto:info@crowbees.com)  
[www.crownbees.com](http://www.crownbees.com)

Products available:

Western & Eastern blue orchard bees, Eastern hornfaced bees

Houses, kits, reeds, tubes, inserts, wood trays, bee attractant, books, Bee-

Mail

(reminder system of when to do what)

**Home Orchard Society, Inc.**

P.O. Box 230192  
Tigard, OR 97281-0192  
(503) 338-8479  
[masonbees@homeorchardsociety.org](mailto:masonbees@homeorchardsociety.org)  
[www.homeorchardsociety.org](http://www.homeorchardsociety.org)

Products available:

Bees, nest 'houses,' tubes, kits

**Jonesville Paper Tube Corp.**

540 Beck St.  
P.O. Box 39  
Jonesville, MI 49250  
[mail@papertube.com](mailto:mail@papertube.com)  
[www.papertube.com](http://www.papertube.com)

Product available:

Paper tubes

**Knox Cellars**

Lisa Novich  
25724 N.E. 10th St.  
Sammamish, WA 98074  
(206) 849-5065  
[Lisa@knoxcellars.com](mailto:Lisa@knoxcellars.com)  
[www.knoxcellars.com](http://www.knoxcellars.com)

Products available:

Bees, nest blocks and other supplies, kits, books

**Mason Bee Supply**

Richard Lee  
(360) 573-7520  
[richardlee@earthlink.net](mailto:richardlee@earthlink.net)

Products available:

Bees, 30- & 50-hole nest blocks

**NativeBees.com**

Kimball Clark  
145 N 300 W  
Kaysville, UT 84037  
801-458-0282  
[info@nativebees.com](mailto:info@nativebees.com)  
[www.nativebees.com](http://www.nativebees.com)

Products available:

Mason bees and bee condos with loose cell access for orchard use.  
Starter kits available, willing to educate beginners.

**Pollinator Paradise** Karen Strickler

31140 Circle Dr.  
Parma, ID 83660  
(208) 722-7808  
[karens@pollinatorparadise.com](mailto:karens@pollinatorparadise.com)  
[www.pollinatorparadise.com](http://www.pollinatorparadise.com)

Products available:

Bees, nest blocks, straws, other accessories

**Raintree Nursery**

391 Butts Road  
Morton, WA 98356  
1-800-391-8892  
[customerservice@raintreenursery.com](mailto:customerservice@raintreenursery.com)  
[www.raintreenursery.com](http://www.raintreenursery.com)

Click on 'Complete Product Index,' then look for 'Bees and Bee Supplies'

Products available:

Bees, nest blocks, kits, tubes, books, how-to video

**Ruhl Bee Supply**

17845 S.E. 82nd Drive

Gladstone, OR 97027

**(503) 657-5399**

[staff@ruhlbeesupply.com](mailto:staff@ruhlbeesupply.com)

[www.orchardbees.com](http://www.orchardbees.com)

Products available:

Shelters, tubes, book

**Territorial Seed Company**

P.O. Box 158

Cottage Grove, OR 97424

(800) 626-0866

[info@territorialseed.com](mailto:info@territorialseed.com)

[www.territorialseed.com](http://www.territorialseed.com)

Click 'Garden Supplies,' then 'Beneficial Insects'

Products available:

Bees, nest kits, tubes

**West Coast Seeds, Ltd.**

3925 64<sup>th</sup> St., RR #1

Delta, BC V4K 3N2

(604) 952-8820

[info@westcoastseeds.com](mailto:info@westcoastseeds.com)

[www.westcoastseeds.com](http://www.westcoastseeds.com)

Click 'Gardening Supplies'

Products available:

Bees, kits, small nest blocks, book

**Watts Leafcutter and Mason Bees**

Jim Watts

19813 51st Ave. SE

Bothell, WA 98012

[425-879-2337](tel:425-879-2337)

[solitarybees@comcast.net](mailto:solitarybees@comcast.net)

Products available:

Bees, & Bee Supplies

**Jeff Keller**

Salt Lake City, UT

[jbtrout@msn.com](mailto:jbtrout@msn.com)

[801-910-1409](tel:801-910-1409)

Products available:

Bees

**Ryan Merrill**

Roy, UT 84067

[801.648.9035](tel:801.648.9035)

[ryan@masonbeesforsale.com](mailto:ryan@masonbeesforsale.com)

[www.masonbeesforsale.com](http://www.masonbeesforsale.com)

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