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## THE BEE-KIND GARDEN

### Apian wisdom for your garden

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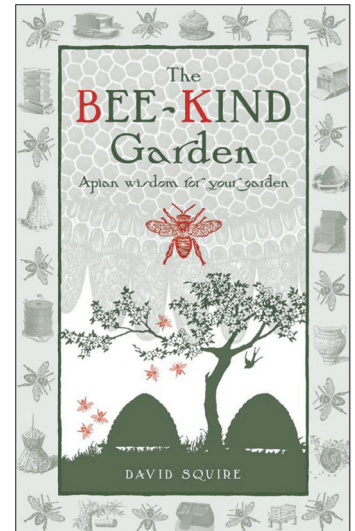
- A charming gift for naturalists, gardeners and bee-keepers
- Practical bee-keeping advice, interspersed with fascinating facts from historical and literary sources
- Beautiful woodcuts and illustrations throughout

Bees have been a major part of our lives for thousands of years, because they are pollinators of both food and ornamental plants, and without them our ability to feed ourselves would be at great risk. In earlier centuries, honey was the major provider of sweetness in food as well as the basis for mead, an age-old drink fermented with yeast from a mixture of honey and water. It is not surprising that bees and honey have become interwoven in many aspects of our lives, from honeymoons to telling bees about deaths and marriages in families.

*The Bee-Kind Garden* gives a wealth of information about the intriguing lives of honeybees, and includes many amusing and illuminating stories about the role that they have played in human history. The book explains how crucial bees are to our food chain, and describes how you can attract them to your garden.



**The Author:** David Squire has a great interest in bees. He is a gardening expert and the author of more than 80 gardening books. Having enjoyed bee-keeping in earlier life, he now focuses on creating his own beautiful, bee-friendly garden.



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