

## **Fact Sheet**

## Summer Flowers and Plants – a vivid world of colour, texture and shape





Did you know all the amazing bright and bold colours and shapes you see in the plants around you (in both their leaves and flowers) have a purpose?

The reason is that these colours and patterns help to attract many insects or even birds to the plants so they can get pollinated, which means they then create fruits or that their seeds can be spread further afield to create more new plants.

Of course these beautiful colours and shapes in plants are also wonderful for us humans to look at and just enjoy!

Notice in the picture above the strong colour of the purple thistle, the beauty of the little splashes of deep pink against the yellow dahlia flower and finally how the veins of the darker kale leaves glow purple against the greener areas!

You can easily see how famous artists like Van Gogh, Monet and Matisse were inspired by nature and all its magnificent colours to create wonderful paintings and art.



More info: https://schoolgardening.rhs.org.uk/resources/info-sheet/plants-for-a-sensory-garden