

Australian Pollinator Week

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Intro

Where grevilleas grow and basil blooms
Its pollinator week and its coming to you
Do they have four wings, or do they have two?
Where their eyes are placed, yeh that's the real clue
So, take a walk, bring a pen, when the flowers smell sweet
Who will you meet this pollinator week?

Verse 1

Red Rocket in orbit, above the city
Reading the landscape in the language of UV
An aviator asks, "Rita what is it you see?"
"Eucalypts to eat and lantana to sleep"

Chorus 1

Pollinator. Pollinator.
Is that a **REED BEE** that I see?
Pollinator. Pollinator.
Who will you meet this pollinator week?

Verse 2

Suspended mid-air wearing black and yellow jeans
From aviator goggles, observing the scene
"But how are you flying with only two wings?"
"I just halt my halteres, and hover for a bit".

Chorus 2

Pollinator. Pollinator.
Is that a **HOVERFLY** that I see?
Pollinator. Pollinator.
Who will you meet this pollinator week?

Verse 3

Wings held up on a Persoonia she's perched
Meet Priscilla, Queen of the Dessert
Unfurls her proboscis like a party popper straw
With pollen studded boots, she carries on the tour

Chorus 3

Pollinator. Pollinator.
Is that a **BUTTERFLY** that I see?
Pollinator. Pollinator.
Who will you meet this pollinator week?

Verse 4

A glint below from big green eyes,
A blue band tee to match the skies
Shaking out the pollen of a dianella
350x a second coz she's a headbanger

Chorus 4

Pollinator. Pollinator.
Is that a **BLUE BANDED BEE** that I see?
Pollinator. Pollinator.
Who will you meet this pollinator week?

Verse 5

Flying forever over strawberry fields
Prudence spreads pollen, growing the yield
Something in the way it moves so loosely in the sky
Makes it look like diamonds to kaleidoscopic eyes

Chorus 5

Pollinator. Pollinator.
Hey **JEWEL BEETLE** that I see.
Pollinator. Pollinator
Who will you meet this pollinator week?

Verse 6

Fast, efficient, slender, and sleek
Sarah may look angry but she's scanning for a treat
Speeding through the sky, netting pollen as she goes
Eliminating aphids, assisting vegie growth

Chorus 6

Pollinator. Terminator. Pollinator. Terminator.
Is that a **PAPER WASP** that I see?
Pollinator. Terminator. Pollinator. Terminator.
Who will you meet this pollinator week?

Verse 7

Shhh, now it's quiet and Rita's sleeping tight
Mick's searching for sweetness amongst the city lights
Perfumed petals gleaming white as snow
Tempted by the smell... "But blinded by the glow"

Chorus 7

Pollinator. Pollinator.
Is that a **HAWK MOTH** that I see?
Pollinator. Pollinator.
Who will you meet this pollinator week?

Bridge

So, if you go outside, you might be surprised
at the diversity that you can see with your own eyes
Do they have 4 wings, or do they have 2?
Where their eyes are placed, yeh that's the big clue.
Coz there's so many species and we haven't named them all,
It takes me and you to write the records.
Take a walk, bring a pen, when the flowers smell sweet
Who will you meet this Pollinator week?

Outro

Pollinator... [Repeat]

