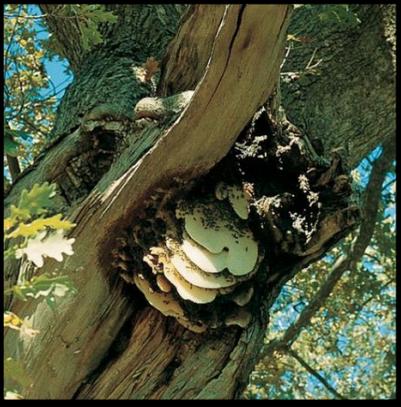


<u>Invasive</u>		<u>Indigenous</u>	
German Wasp (<i>Vespula germanica</i>)	European Paper Wasp (<i>Polistes dominula</i>)	South African Paper Wasp (<i>Polistes marginalis</i>)	Cape Honey Bee (<i>Apis mellifera</i>)
			
Body Description: Stoutly, like a bee. Around 15mm long. Queens are larger	Body Description: Longer than a bee, 15-19mm long with a narrow body. Queens are not easily distinguished from workers	Body Description: Narrow body, 13-17mm long. Queens are not easily distinguished from workers	Body Description: Stocky, short body with many hairs like virtually all bees. Very short antennae. Queen has plumper abdomen than workers
Colour: Black and bright yellow body. With many having black spots and/or wavy markings along abdomen. Yellow legs	Colour: Black and bright yellow body with wavy black markings along abdomen. Yellow legs	Colour: Brown body with white and black stripes. Brown legs	Colour: Golden yellow with thick, solid black stripes along abdomen. Very dark/dull compared to the wasps. Black legs
Antennae: Fully Black	Antennae: Yellow/Orange	Antennae: Brown	Antennae: Black. Shorter and thinner than wasps
Behaviour: Very aggressive. Actively defend nests and will readily sting when the nest is disturbed. Will swarm and chase a target for quite a distance	Behaviour: Usually rather docile but will attack if threatened. On hot days they will be more active, aggressive and more likely to attack, however, they do not swarm and chase a target	Behaviour: Usually rather docile but will attack if threatened. Does not swarm and chase targets	Behaviour: Docile when compared to other honey bees or the German wasp

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<p>Nests: Usually below ground with a hole for an entrance where many wasps will be seen flying in and out. May be above ground in a closed, round, papery nest or inside a wall crevice or other opening. Nest is a round structure with multiple, horizontal layers inside. Cells are not visible</p>	<p>Nests: Commonly seen as it is always above ground, commonly in places that receive abundant sunlight or places that heat up during the day (under roof eaves, in steel piping, inside metallic structures like mail boxes etc.). Nest is a papery, honey comb like, single layered structure with the cells clearly visible</p>	<p>Nests: Commonly seen as it is always above ground, commonly in places that receive abundant sunlight or places that heat up during the day (under roof eaves, in steel piping, inside metallic structures like mail boxes etc.). Nest is a papery, honey comb like, single layered structure with the cells clearly visible</p>	<p>Nests: Characteristic honey bee hive with multiple, vertically layered, waxy combs used for raising brood and the production of honey. Nests will be in cavities such as tree hollows</p>
			
			

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