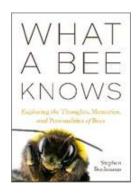


What would our world be like without the beauty of bees?

Native bees are a hidden treasure. From alpine meadows in the national forests of the Rocky Mountains to the Sonoran Desert in the Coronado National Forest in Arizona. Native bees come in a wide array of sizes, shapes, and colors, yet they remain ignored or unknown by most of us. Bees



provide an invaluable ecosystem service and pollination to 80 percent of flowering plants.

Dr. Stephen Buchmann will introduce us to the fascinating lives of local Sonoran Desert bees and how they make their living foraging for pollen and nectar. Did you know bees can perceive and feel pain and that they engage in visual, social learning to solve complex puzzles? He will share some of the amazing findings that are discussed in his latest book.

Dr. Buchmann is a pollination ecologist in buzz pollination and other native bee

behaviors including nesting biology and mate selection. He is an adjunct professor in the departments of Entomology and Ecology and Evolutionary Biology at the University of Arizona.

We hope you'll BEE there!

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