

## LOESS WALLS

### Housing shortages!

Many species of wild bees and other insects burrow into the ground in open areas or in solid material such as clay or loess walls lay their eggs. Such walls used to be widespread along rivers and streams, but with the increasing damming of watercourses, the natural drop-off edges and loess walls have also disappeared. Today they are mainly found in gravel pits.

### An insect apartment building

We have filled small balcony boxes with a special clay-sand mixture to create an artificial living wall for wild bees. Hopefully as many cave dwellers as possible will find their way to Riedwiesenstrasse.

## Cave dwellers



bare-saddled colletes bee  
*Colletes similis*

common tansy  
*Tanacetum vulgare*

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