

Sue Hartley



Dr. Sue Hartley has had a long standing interest in ecology. The time spend outdoors as a kid and her father's encouragement to work hard and ask questions led her towards following her passion for science.

She first studied biochemistry and chemical pharmacology but soon turned her attention to ecology and plant defense.

Around the world...



The Hartley lab's projects have taken them across the globe- from Uganda to Southeast Asia. They've worked on plant-herbivore interactions, tropical forest regeneration, and making crops more resilient to pests and climate change.

...and in our community

Sue has a strong community-focused mindset in her work. She makes sure she takes time to "look at the bigger picture...and make sure we do what we can to support our colleagues". She facilitates interdisciplinary work and works to train early career scientists.



"Follow your passion - science is hard and an academic career is tough, so choose a subject you have a lot of enthusiasm for and are really passionate about studying. Let your curiosity drive you."