

Frequently Asked Questions



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Can I add HiveAlive to all my feed?	Yes, provided it is at a rate of 2.5 ml per litre
How many times per year should I feed HiveAlive?	For best results , we recommend adding HiveAlive to all syrup fed. The amount of syrup colonies consume will vary greatly with location, size, time of year etc. As a guide for an average sized colony we recommend feeding a minimum of 4L of activated syrup per hive (10ml of HiveAlive) in autumn and again in spring. Autumn is the most beneficial time to feed with HiveAlive.
Can HiveAlive be added to fondant/candy?	Yes HiveAlive can be added to fondant/candy. You must ensure that the temperature of the fondant/candy is below 50°C/122°F before adding HiveAlive
Can HiveAlive be added to protein patties?	Yes HiveAlive can be added to enhance your protein patties. Add 10ml per kg of patty.
Can HiveAlive be sprayed?	Yes. HiveAlive can be added to a light sugar syrup at a max concentration of 1:100 for spraying onto bees and frames. You should only lightly cover bees to avoid drowning them. We recommend doing this once per week for three weeks to cover full brood cycle.
What happens if I use too much of the product?	If a higher than recommended dose is used, the product will not be consumed by the bees
Can HiveAlive be used with HoneyBHealthy?	HiveAlive contains an optimal concentration of lemongrass that is attractive to honeybees but does not induce robbing. As HoneyBHealthy also contains lemongrass, we do not recommend feeding both as robbing may occur.
How long is HiveAlive good for?	Use before expiry date or within 6 months of opening, whichever comes first.
How long will syrup keep when HiveAlive has been added?	Syrup will keep from going bad/mouldy for over 5 months

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Will HiveAlive keep Nosema levels low?	Yes
Will HiveAlive help with Varroa?	Yes, spraying/drenching HiveAlive can help in reducing Varroa numbers but you still need to treat as normal for Varroa
Will HiveAlive help with Chalkbrood & Foubrood?	Yes, HiveAlive has been shown in the lab to inhibit the growth of Chalkbrood & Foulbrood. Drench for best results.
Will using HiveAlive increase productivity in both bees and honey?	Yes
Is HiveAlive registered as a medicine?	No, HiveAlive is registered as a nutritional supplement
Can I use HiveAlive at the same time as Fumagilin or Varroa treatments?	Yes. In fact, if using thymol based miticides such as ApilifeVar, it may be useful to feed HiveAlive 1-2 weeks before administering the miticide as it may reduce bearding/absconding.
Why should I buy HiveAlive?	<p>You should use HiveAlive if you...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Want to increase colony sizeWant to increase honey yieldsHave weak hivesAre worried that your hives might not survive the winterWant to boost colony production in springHave nosemaHave chalkbroodWant to build up nucs, packages and swarmsWant to feed colonies with a safe, naturally derived feed supplementWant to strengthen hives before migration (migratory hives in the US have higher levels of Nosema than stationary hives¹)Have syrup that you want to store (HiveAlive prevents syrup fermentation)Want to feed for longer (longer feeding window as syrup does not ferment)Want to save time and money