

## CLASS: INTRO TO BEEKEEPING

SATURDAY, MARCH 18, 2023

COST: \$25 - 10:AM to 1:PM at Sebastopol Grange Hall

6000 Sebastopol Avenue (Same as Hwy. 12) Sebastopol, CA 95472

Three hour lecture on basic beekeeping information on how to get started with bees, use of equipment & what to expect in your first year.

Taught by Doug Vincent, Beekind owner and seasoned beekeeper.

## 2023 LIVE PACKAGED BEES

<https://www.beekind.com/orderbees.html>

### \$175 PER PACKAGE

A PACKAGE OF BEES CONTAINS THREE POUNDS OF WORKER BEES PLUS YOUR PRE-SELECTED OPEN MATED QUEEN. **SELECT:** ITALIAN, CARNIOLAN OR LOCAL INCLUDES NON-RETURNABLE CAGE FOR TRANSPORT.

## SELECT PICK UP WEEKEND DATES

Select your pick-up weekend at time of purchase.

APRIL 22 - 23 OR APRIL 29 - 30

## 2023 TERMS FOR ORDERING BEES

Terms Rev. 1-2-2023

*NOTE: When you place an order for bees with Beekind, you automatically agree to the following policy/terms:*

- Orders made before January 1 will be held in line as they come in and will be processed after January 2, 2023. • Orders must be made, and paid for, in advance of pick up dates.
- Beekind Honey does not ship bees, however, online shipping form must be completed in order to process your online order.
- Your pick up weekend must be selected at time of purchase. You are responsible for knowing the weekend you have purchased bees for. Package bees that are not picked up on weekend dates selected will be forfeited. Due to the amount of bees we sell, we will not be calling you.
- MAKE SURE OF YOUR PICK UP WEEKEND. ABSOLUTELY NO REFUNDS, CANCELLATIONS OR DATE CHANGES AFTER MARCH 15, 2023. Any refunds or any changes on bee orders prior to March 15, will be charged a \$35.00 cancellation or date change fee on each package.
- You can pick up your package(s) on either Saturday or Sunday of your selected weekend.
- Bees must be picked up at the Beekind store in Sebastopol, CA. Beekind Honey does not ship bees, however, shipping options form must be completed in order to process online ordering. Orders are not complete until we have emailed a receipt from Beekind with an authorization number when your card is charged after we process your online order in our store.
- Beekind reserves the right to post-pone pick-up dates if weather is a factor in collecting bees when preparing packages for customer pick-up.
- CUSTOMER ASSUMES ALL RISKS CONCERNING BEES ONCE THEY ARE PICKED UP. BEES ARE LIVE STOCK AND ARE SUBJECT TO VARIOUS ENVIRONMENTAL STRESSES AND OCCASIONALLY BEES DO DIE IN TRANSPORT OR ABSCOND AFTER INSTALLATION.

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## HIVE CONFIGURATION

We suggest you purchase bees and equipment according to your needs & goals. Keeping honeybees can be accomplished in either deep or medium boxes or combinations of both. Be sure to provide room for the colony to grow and prevent overcrowding which could stimulate swarming. A package of bees starts out in one box for 3 to 5 weeks and will most likely need additional boxes depending on the colony's progress.

## TEN FRAME LANGSTROTH EQUIPMENT

Equipment at Beekind is ten-frame capacity, however, as is our standard practice, we replace the outermost frames with follower boards for added insulation for bees.

The first box placed on a hive set up is the first in a series of boxes used to establish a honeybee colony's home. Eventually using two deep hive boxes or either three medium hive boxes combined to make up a complete brood chamber. In addition to the brood chamber, assume providing up to two extra medium boxes (as needed) for honey production during a heavy nectar flow. You typically don't make honey in the first season.

Basic set ups include the hive equipment that you may need to start a colony of bees in the first month only. This list will help you get started, we have more supplies at the store (see below). Minimally, you will need a smoker and fuel, a hive tool, a veil and gloves for protective gear. Styles of beekeeping vary.

## BEST PRACTICE NEEDS

Colony start-up & growth, year one see below:

## FOR BROOD CHAMBER AND STARTING BEES

One completely assembled Basic Hive Set up (Deep or Medium boxes) for approx. first month after bee install, one additional deep hive body the following month, if using deeps (OR two additional medium hive boxes if using mediums) plus tools and protective gear.

## FOR HONEY PRODUCTION READINESS

Two additional medium hive boxes (minimum one) for collecting honey over brood chamber during heavy nectar flows

## FEEDING BEES WHEN STARTING A PACKAGE

Feeding bees is common practice when establishing a colony in boxes for the first time. Feed your bees a mixture of sugar water of 1 part pure cane sugar to 1 part fresh water helps the new colony build wax combs which are essential for egg production and storage of pollen and nectar. You will need approximately 20 lbs of sugar (non-organic) to establish a package of bees. Make sugar water in small batches as you need to avoid spoilage. Figure approximately one gallon a week. When starting a package for the first couple of weeks, we advise using a simple entrance feeder with a jar.

## WINTER FEEDING

To help supplement bees unable to build stores, the ratio is 2 parts sugar to 1 part water.

**NOTE: WHILE SELECTING YOUR EQUIPMENT AND PROTECTIVE GEAR, REMEMBER THAT YOU CAN MIX AND MATCH YOUR FAVORITE COMBINATIONS. COMBINATION PRICING OF ITEMS IS EQUAL TO INDIVIDUAL PRICING OF ITEMS. LISTED PRICES DO NOT INCLUDE TAX.**

## COMMONLY USED SET UPS, TOOLS & EQUIPMENT

Start up hive combinations below are suggestions for the first month of beekeeping. Additional boxes are needed as colony grows. See **BEST PRACTICE NEEDS** in brochure. More supplies available in store.

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### **BASIC DEEP START- UP HIVE** **\$204.90**

• Bottom Board Screened Wood (BB)	37.75
• Observation Tray for Screened Bottom Board (Tray)	12.50
• Wood Entrance Reducer (ER)	2.15
• Deep Hive Body Assembled (DA)	30.00
• Eight Deep Wood Frames with RiteCell™ Foundation (DF x 8)	42.00
• Follower Boards Two (DFB x 2)	15.00
• Entrance Feeder (Plastic lid and holder. Use w/canning jar) (EF)	7.50
• Inner Cover (basic wood type with hole) (Bi)	21.00
• Telescoping Cover (TELE)	37.00

### **DELUXE DEEP START-UP HIVE** **\$328.50**

• Dipped Combo Screened Bottom (RB)	57.50
• Deep Hive Body Assembled & Dipped (DD)	36.50
• Eight Deep Wood Frames with RiteCell™ Foundation (DF x 8)	42.00
• Follower Boards Two (DFB x 2)	15.00
• Top Feeder All Wood (WTF)	60.50
• Two Wood Floats for Wood Top Feeder (WF x 2)	3.00
• Inner Cover Thick with screened vent (DI)	27.00
• Telescoping Cover Copper Type (CT)	87.00

### **BASIC MEDIUM START-UP HIVE** **\$197.00**

• Wood Screened Bottom Board (BB)	37.75
• Observation Tray for Screened Bottom Board (Tray)	12.50
• Wood Entrance Reducer (ER)	2.15
• Medium Hive Body Assembled (MA)	26.00
• Eight Medium Wood Frames with RiteCell™ Foundation (MF x 8)	39.60
• Follower Boards Two (MFB x 2)	13.50
• Entrance Feeder (Plastic lid and holder. Use w/canning jar) (EF)	7.50
• Inner Cover (basic wood type with hole) (Bi)	21.00
• Telescoping Cover (TELE)	37.00

### **DELUXE MEDIUM START-UP HIVE** **\$320.60**

• Dipped Combo Screened Bottom (RB)	57.50
• Medium Hive Body Assembled & Dipped (DM)	32.50
• Eight Medium Wood Frames with Rite Cell™ Foundation MF x8)	39.60
• Follower Boards Two (MFB x 2)	13.50
• All Wood Custom Top Feeder (WTF)	60.50
• Two Wood Floats for Feeder (WF x 2)	3.00
• Inner Cover Thick with screened vent (DI)	27.00
• Garden Hive (Copper type) Telescoping Cover (CT)	87.00

### **PROTECTIVE CLOTHING**

HELMET vented white plastic (PH)	14.50
HELMET tan or ivory safari (TAN OR IVORY)	25.00
VEIL (for Helmet) square or round (SQUAREV or ROUNDV)	20.50
VEIL POCKET TULE GARDEN fits over most hats (TULE)	15.75
VEIL / HAT COMBO One piece soft fabric w/string (VWH)	52.00
VEIL ALEXANDER fitted hat to head (ALEX)	27.00

### **FENCING HALF SUIT w/FENCING VEIL** CODE= (size plus FHALF)

S- M - L - XL	85.00
XXL	90.00
HALF SUIT w/ROUND HAT & VEIL	CODE= (SIZE PLUS HALF)
XS CHILD - S - M - L - XL- XXL	125.00
FULL SUIT w/ROUND HAT & VEIL	CODE= (SIZE PLUS FULL)
XS - S - M - L - XL - XXL	145.00

### **GLOVES** Three Layer goatskin (XS-S-M-L-XL-XXL) (GLOVE3) 18.50

### **SMOKERS & FUEL**

SMOKER CONE TOP w/replaceable bellows (CONE)	49.50
SMOKER DOME TOP w/replaceable bellows (DOME)	49.50
SMOKER ECONO w/guard and suede bellows (ECONO)	34.50
SMOKER FUEL (FUEL)	6.75
SMOKER STARTER KWIKSTART (KWIK)	15.00

### **HIVE TOOLS**

FRAME LIFTER TOOL (LIFT)	15.00
RED BASIC HIVE TOOL (RED)	10.00
BLUE BASIC HIVE TOOL (BLUE)	14.00
YELLOW BASIC HIVE TOOL (YEL)	9.50
BLUE ERGO HIVE TOOL w/rubber handle (EGO)	23.00
SHARP YELLOW HIVE TOOL (YELD)	16.00

### **BOTTOM BOARDS & ACCESORIES**

BASIC SCREEN BOTTOM BOARD (BB)	37.75
DIPPED DELUXE SCREENED BOTTOM BOARD (RB)	57.50
STANDARD SOLID BOTTOM BOARD (SB)	30.00
TRAY INSERT FOR BOTTOM BOARDS (TRAY)	12.50
ENTRANCE REDUCER WOOD BLOCK ¾" x 8.5" (BLOCK)	1.00
ENTRANCE REDUCER STANDARD (ER)	2.15

### **HIVE BODIES**

UNASSEMBLED MEDIUM (UCM)	23.00
MEDIUM ASSEMBLED (MA)	26.00
MEDIUM ASSEMBLED & DIPPED (DM)	32.50
UNASSEMBLED DEEP (CUD)	25.00
DEEP ASSEMBLED (DA)	30.00
DEEP ASSEMBLED & DIPPED (DD)	36.50

### **FRAMES - ASSEMBLED**

MEDIUM WOOD FRAME (plastic foundation) (MF)	4.95
DEEP WOOD FRAME (plastic foundation) (DF)	5.25
MEDIUM WOOD FRAME WITH BEESWAX (MWF)	6.50
DEEP WOOD FRAME WITH BEESWAX (DWF)	7.50
MEDIUM WIRED WOOD FRAME (MWIRE)	5.25
DEEP WIRED WOOD FRAME (DWIRE)	6.50
MEDIUM FRAME ASSEMBLED NO FOUNDATION (AMF)	3.00
DEEP FRAME ASSEMBLED NO FOUNDATION (ADF)	3.25
DEEP DRONE FRAME GREEN PLASTIC OR WAX	6.50

### **PLASTIC FOUNDATION**

MEDIUM PLASTIC FOUNDATION YELLOW (MRITE)	1.80
MEDIUM PLASTIC FOUNDATION BLACK (MRB)	1.80
DEEP PLASTIC FOUNDATION YELLOW (DRITE)	2.20
DEEP PLASTIC FOUNDATION BLACK (DRB)	2.20

### **WAX FOUNDATION**

MEDIUM WAX FOUNDATION 5.4 NO WIRE (54m)	1.50
MEDIUM WAX FOUNDATION 5.4 WITH WIRE (54mw)	1.60
MEDIUM THIN WAX FOUNDATION NO WIRE (THIN)	1.50
MEDIUM WAX FOUNDATION 5.1 WITH WIRE (51mw)	2.05
DEEP WAX FOUNDATION 5.1 NO WIRE (51dw)	2.20
MEDIUM WAX FOUNDATION 4.9 WITH WIRE (49mw)	1.60
DEEP WAX FOUNDATION 4.9 NO WIRE (49d)	2.05

### **FOLLOWER BOARDS**

MEDIUM FOLLOWER (MFB)	6.75
DEEP FOLLOWER (DFB)	7.50

### **FEEDERS**

BASIC ENTRANCE FEEDER (EF)	7.50
FRAME FEEDER w/CAP AND LADDER 1.5 GAL. (LHFF)	17.50
TOP FEEDER MANN LAKE (PTF)	41.00
TOP FEEDER WOOD EPOXIED (WTF)	60.50
WOOD FLOATS FOR WOOD TOP FEEDER (FLOAT)	1.50

### **INNER COVERS**

BASIC INNER COVER WITH CENTER HOLE (BI)	21.00
DELUXE THICK INNER COVER W/SCREENED VENT (DI)	27.00

### **OUTER HIVE COVERS**

BASIC TELESCOPING HIVE COVER (TELE)	37.00
COPPER TYPE A-FRAME HIVE COVER (CT)	87.00

### **QUEEN EXCLUDERS**

Basic Metal Excluder (QE)	12.25
Plastic Excluder (QEP)	8.25
Wood Bound Excluder (QEW)	19.25

## MORE OPTIONS AT OUR STORE IN SEBASTOPOL

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