

GOOD BEEKEEPING PRACTICES | Bee Feeding and Watering

Watering

Provide a constant water source

Access to a constant supply of water is extremely important for the welfare of the colony. Water is used by the bees for working the nectar they collect and especially for ensuring proper thermoregulation inside the hive. The encroaching climate change worldwide that tends to create hotter and more arid environments for the bees requires reliable and continuous sources of water for the colonies.



step
1

Choose an easily accessible spot to place a water container.

Do it before the first flights of honey bees (end of winter/early spring).



step
2

Place the water container (barrel, castra, etc.) and landing platforms (stones, cork plate, etc.) for bees on the chosen spot.

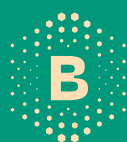


step
3

Fill the container with water. Make sure that fresh water is always in the container.



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