



Honeybee Swarm Attractant Wipes

The active ingredients of the Vita Honeybee Swarm Attractant Wipes are the result of many years of research.

Directions for Use

Tear the sachet open a little or pierce a hole and hang it in a convenient place (perhaps a tree or a post) or just inside the entrance of a bait hive.

Place traps around the apiary or bee yard at a maximum distance of 50 metres apart.

Once opened, the attractant sachet will be effective for up to two weeks depending upon environmental conditions. (The warmer it is, the quicker the attractive substances dissipate.)

Tips

- 1 If you are expecting a prime swarm (with the old queen), pin the Swarm Attractant to a suitable branch that is 1.8 to 2 metres above the ground.
- 2 If you are expecting a secondary or caste swarm (with one or more virgin queens), use a bait hive containing an empty brood comb with an open sachet pinned to it.
- 3 If you are expecting primary and secondary swarms, then do both 1 and 2.
- 4 The optimum positioning of the entrance to the bait hive or box is due south in the northern hemisphere, north in the southern hemisphere.
- 5 The efficiency of the Swarm Attractant can be increased by dipping the lower end of the sachet in molten wax – but take care as molten wax can cause injuries!

Disposal

After use, please dispose of the sachet and its contents according to local regulations. Used sachets can be placed in domestic refuse.

Swarm hygiene precautions

If you do not know the origin of the swarm you catch, it may be advisable to allow the swarm to draw some comb with the honey stores it carries and then to dispose of that comb for hygiene purposes. This may help quarantine disease the swarm may carry.

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