

How to Install a Package

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Once the Order is Placed

- Mark your calendar
- Determine where your bees will be located
- Get ready – preparation is required



Make Sure You Have the Hive Woodenware

- Bottom board (solid or screened)
- Entrance reducer
- Hive body (mediums or deeps)
- Frames with foundation
- Inner cover
- Top/outer cover
- Feeder



Locate Beekeeper Equipment

- Suit
- Veil
- Gloves
- Hive tool
- Smoker
- Smoker fuel
- Large magnet to aid with package installation



Remember Key Points Upon Arrival

- Bees are already agitated
- Some bees will die
- Queen is new to these bees
- Temperature matters



Let's Install Our Bees

- Preliminary steps
 - Put together the hive woodenware in the designated location
 - Mix a 1:1 solution of water to sugar and place in spray bottle
 - Gather the equipment
 - Suit up



The Real Deal

- Remove outer cover, inner cover, and 3 or 4 frames from your hive body
- Spray your bees thoroughly with the 1:1 solution
- Remove the queen cage
- Use the magnet to help in removing the can of sugar solution from the top of the package



The Real Deal (cont.)

- Shake the bees into the hive body
- Re-insert the frames
- Remove cork (but NOT the candy) from queen cage
- Position queen between two frames
- Put feeder in place
- Cover



Mission Accomplished

- What's the big deal?
- I knew you could do it!
- You now know you can do it too!



Questions?

