

Honey Bee Trivia

How many flowers must honey bees tap to make one pound of honey?

Two million.

How far does a hive of bees fly to bring you one pound of honey?

Over 55,000 miles, or enough to fly two times around the world.

How much honey does the average worker honey bee make in her lifetime?

One twelfth (1/12) teaspoon.

How fast does a honey bee fly?

About 15 miles per hour.

How many flowers does a honey bee visit during one collection trip?

50-100.

How much honey would it take to fuel a bee's flight around the world?

About one ounce.

How many wings does a honey bee have?

Four.

How long have bees been producing honey from flowering plants?

10-20 million years.



How long do honey bees live?

Worker bees live for a few weeks in the summer, and several months in the winter. Male drones live for about three months. Queen bees can live two to five years.

How many bees live in one colony?

A healthy beehive can house between 40,000 and 80,000 bees.

How much honey do Americans eat?

On average, each person consumes about 1.3 pounds of honey per year.

How do honey bees communicate with one another?

Dancing! Honey bees do a dance which alerts other bees where nectar and pollen was located. The dance explains direction and distance. Bees also communicate with pheromones.