

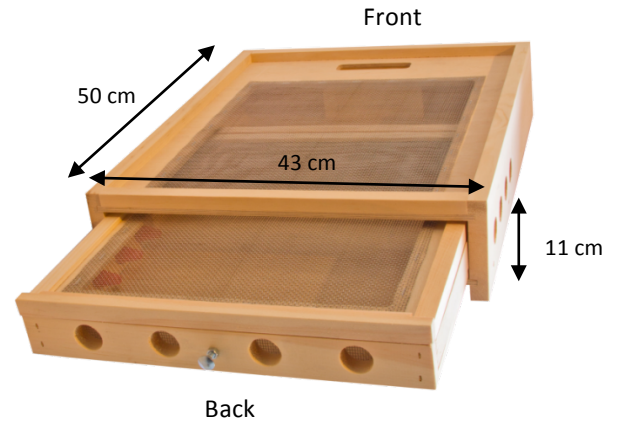
APISHIELD Hornet and Wasp Trap

Usage Instructions

The ApiShield hornet and wasp trap comprises a base and its cassette. There are eight side entrances (four on each side) providing one-way access to the cassette. Wasps, hornets and other predators (including Wax Moths) that use these side entrances are trapped in the cassette and cannot escape. There is a separate front entrance allowing bees to enter their hive as usual. ApiShield is installed with the side entrances blocked using the supplied panels. This ensures that the bees only use the front entrance.

After a minimum of three to four days, the side panels can be removed; bees will continue to use, and guard, the front entrance. Predators such as wasps and hornets, attracted by the smell and sound of the colony, will bypass the guarded front entrance and instead try to enter the hive via the (undefended) one-way side entrances, thus becoming trapped in the cassette. No bait or chemicals are required and ApiShield is specific to honeybee predators.

Sample dimensions (varies by hive type):



Construction:

Untreated pine wood; wire mesh

Preparation and installation of the trap:

Step 1: Remove the trap cassette



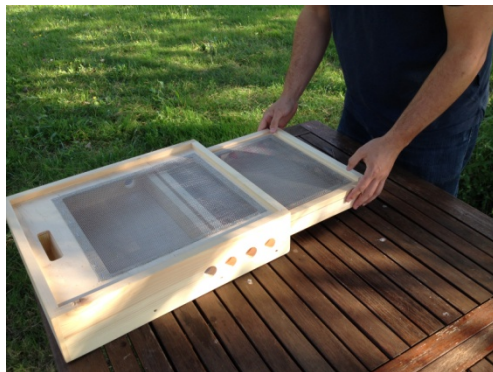
Step 2: Take out the supplied panels



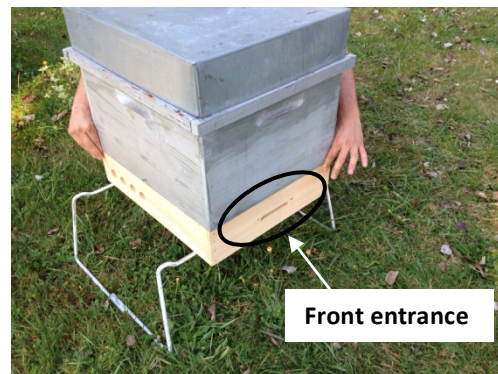
Step 3: Install the panels in their slots along the each side of the cassette to block access to the side entrances



Step 4: Reinsert the cassette into the trap



Step 5: Place ApiShield beneath the hive



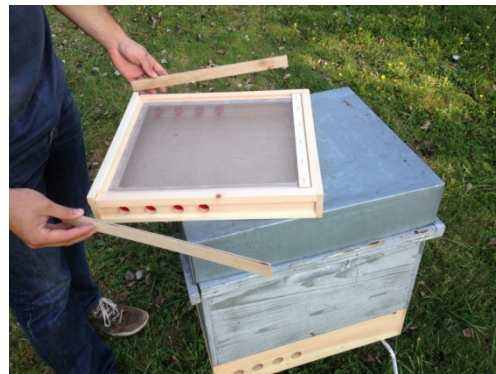
Ensure the front entrance is at the front of the hive and confirm that bees can enter and exit as usual

72 hours (minimum) after installing the trap: open the side entrances

Step 1: Open the ApiShield cassette from the back of the hive



Step 2: Remove the panels to open the side entrances



Step 3: Return the cassette to the trap and confirm that the side entrances are open and accessible. ApiShield is now working; periodically check for trapped predators and dispose appropriately

