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(Almost) Un-bee-lievable



Amazing Facts About Honey & Bees



1. Honey is the oldest wound-healing agent known to mankind. It has antibacterial, antiviral, antifungal, anti-inflammatory, and antioxidant properties.
2. Honey remains edible indefinitely. Honey found in ancient Egyptian tombs is still good after being stored for thousands of years.
3. Ancient Egyptians used honey as a means of paying taxes.
4. Honey is 25% sweeter than sugar.
5. Healthy beehives can house between 20,000 and 80,000 honey bees.
6. When out foraging, worker bees can fly up to 20 miles per hour (32 km per hour). To achieve this, they beat their wings 200 times a second. This is what creates the iconic bee "buzz" sound.
7. On a single foraging trip, a worker bee will visit between 50 and 100 flowers.
8. A single bee can carry up to 35% of its body weight in pollen.
9. Honey bees visit about 2 million flowers to make 1 pound (0.45 kilograms) of honey.



10. A healthy bee colony can produce 60-100 pounds (27-45 kilograms) of honey each year.
11. A single honey bee produces only about 1/12 of a teaspoon (0.41 milliliter) of honey in its entire lifetime.
12. There are people in Africa that keep elephants out of their fields by placing beehives around the fields in what is called a "bee fence."
13. Because of bees' acute sense of smell, they can be trained to detect explosives, bombs, and landmines, as well as other chemicals of interest.
14. About one-third of our food relies on bee pollination, including apples, almonds, avocados, berries, cherries, and pumpkins.



If you would like to learn more about bees and honey, please check out this video:
<https://www.youtube.com/shorts/SgQ3O92FZXI>

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