

Brookfield Farm Hiveshare FAQ

Brookfield Farm specialises in artisan food sold directly to you

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From a beautiful landscape running down to the shores of Lough Derg in Co. Tipperary we carefully produce delicious wild flower honey

Brookfield Farm Hiveshare - what's it about?

Brookfield Farm Hiveshare, share the joy of beekeeping. You get delicious honey, pure beeswax handmade candles and balms. We look after the bees!

Hiveshare by Brookfield Farm is about more than honey and candles - it is also about education and the joy of beekeeping.

Subscribers to Hiveshare will have regular communications and share in celebrations connecting you with the cycles of the seasons and life in your hive and on the farm.

How does Hiveshare work?

To bring the finest sustainably produced raw honey and candles directly from Brookfield Farm to you we have developed Brookfield Farm Hiveshare options. Hiveshare options range from 'Bee Friend' to the honey and beeswax from entire hives.

I thought bees were in danger?

Bees are under threat. Creating bee sanctuaries like Brookfield Farm will preserve these useful and amazing insects for future generations. And you can participate, as you enjoy the incredible flavours and health benefits of Brookfield Farm Hiveshare - raw natural honey and beeswax products.

Brookfield Farm Hiveshare - Who are you?

Ailbhe is the farmer. Arno is the beekeeper.
Ailbhe and Arno were childhood friends.
Ailbhe was a construction project manager,

and returned to her home area by Lough Derg to farm. Arno was an international academic publisher, he moved back to his family home close by Brookfield Farm and specialised in beekeeping. Ailbhe and Arno reconnected, realised their similar passions for sustainable artisan food and spent years nurturing bees together on Brookfield Farm until they perfected their delicious honey.

Brookfield Farm Hiveshare - Why?

- Help bees and crop pollination
- Protect bees by contributing to safe sanctuaries where they can live, feed and produce healthy hives and honey.
- Enjoy the flavour and health benefits of pure, cold filtered honey
- Our bees forage on trees and wildflowers; the farm's acres of woodland are filled with bee-friendly trees and bee-meadows are colourful with wildflowers.
- We are committed to the natural management and treatment of honey bees to extract high quality honey and beeswax
- Support traditional old style, natural beekeeping methods.
- Help young apiarists learn beekeeping skills, support the future
- Help us help the most important insect on our planet - No bees, no food!
- Brookfield Farm Hiveshare is a communitysupported agriculture model for honey.

Tell me about how you keep bees?

Here are our beekeeping principles:

We love bees.

We follow biodynamic principles; we are led by the life and needs of the hundred colonies who call our farm home.

We never feed our bees sugar.

Our happy healthy colonies of bees produce the finest raw honey rich in minerals, pollen and propolis. Our honey is cold-filtered (never heated) to preserve the delicate flavour, enzymes, proteins and anti-oxidants.

Our hives produce honey and wax harvested from clean wax comb - no build-up of chemicals and pollutants.

Brookfield Farm Hiveshare - What do I get?

Honey from your own Hiveshare! Options range from 5 jars to 30 jars. Additionally handmade beeswax candles and beeswax goodies.

A beautifully presented giftbox with sample hive products

The joy of sharing! You are helping bees and helping us keep our sustainable farming viable

What do I get with each Hiveshare option, and when?

All Hiveshare options come with a beautifully presented giftbox with sample hive products.

- Bee Friend Giftbox with beeswax candles, beeswax lipbalm and a Brookfield Farm Hiveshare Certificate.
- Bee Garden (1/8 hive),

Bee Meadow (1/4 hive),

Worker Bee (1/2 hive),

Queen Bee (Whole hive)

All these options receive a Giftbox with sample beeswax candles, beeswax lipbalm, Brookfield Farm Hiveshare Certificate and a honey sample.

What you get at harvest: The Honey and

Your honey and beeswax candles share will arrive at honey harvest time - amount depends on Hiveshare option chosen

Great! How do I order? And what happens then?

- www.brookfield.farm
- Choose your Hiveshare option:
 - o Bee Friend,
 - o Bee Garden (1/8 hive),
 - o Bee Meadow (1/4 hive),
 - o Bee Glade (1/2 hive),
 - O Queen Bee, (1 whole hive)
- Get your specially commissioned giftpack with sample hive products and certificate
- Read seasonal updates and information on your beehive
- Anticipate getting your own honey from your own hive at harvest time
- Receive a selection of 100% Beeswax handmade candles, selection of beeswax balm from shared hive (depends on Hiveshare option chosen)
- Wonderful Honey Celebration –an invitation to visit your hive and celebrate your harvest
- Enjoy your honey
- Sign up again next year!

We are proud of Brookfield Farm Hiveshare.

Would you like us to notify you when our seasonal produce – lamb, farm pressed apple juice, venison, free range pigs - becomes available?

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