

Canola & Bees:

TRUE  ALWAYS



CANOLA LOVES BEES



Bees are essential for hybrid canola seed production. They increase seed germination, reduce green seed counts and raise oil content.

BEES LOVE CANOLA

Canola flowers produce high amounts of nectar and pollen, offering a good sugar profile for honey production and a nutritional balance of proteins and fats.



Bee pollination encourages higher yields in all types of canola with better ripening.

Bountiful canola flowers allow bees to feed efficiently within reasonable distances for up to a month.



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1-2-3S OF PROTECTING BEES



1 **COMMUNICATE** and coordinate with beekeepers.

- Find out where beehives will be placed in or near your fields.
- Create an agreement with beekeepers to guide interactions.



2 **REDUCE** exposure to pesticides.

- Only use insecticides when necessary and choose products with low toxicity to bees and short residual toxicity time.
- Avoid spraying when bees are present or when weather increases exposure risk.
- Avoid generating dust with treated seeds and practice good clean-up.



3 **PROVIDE** safe forage.

- Plant no-till canola as an ideal habitat and food source for bees.
- Grow flowering plants, trees and shrubs where possible.

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