

Sundance II™ Pollen Trap - Top Mount

Instructions for use

Congratulations, you have purchased the finest top-mount pollen trap in the world. The trap is completely assembled and ready for use.

Unless you are putting a trap on all your hives, choose the strongest based on whichever has the greatest number of bees entering and leaving the hive. **Establish a top entrance and close the bottom entrance at least two weeks before you put the trap on the hive.** If you use open screen bottom boards, it does not make a difference whether the entrance is closed with eight-mesh hardware cloth or with a strip of wood. If you use a solid bottom board, we suggest you allow for improved ventilation by closing any bottom entrance with eight-mesh hardware cloth. Close any other hive entrances with duct tape or similar material.

To use the pollen trap, remove your outer and inner covers (if any) and place the trap on top of the uppermost super or hive body with the short end facing the front of the hive. Be certain the trap is set on the hive so that the arrow on the attached decal is pointing up. You may place both the inner and outer covers on top of the pollen trap or just put the outer cover on top of the trap and set the inner cover aside for use when you remove the pollen trap. (The bees will not propolize the outer cover to the pollen trap.)

If you use a telescoping outer cover push it all the way forward and, using your fingers, be certain that there is at least ½" between the inner edge of the outer cover and the hive body (Figure 1). If not, put the outer cover on in such a manner that it is propped up so bees can enter the pollen trap (Figure 2).

Be certain you do not use the Sundance II™ trap on any hive with a queen excluder. Such hives will have drones trapped below the excluder. Eventually these will die and make a mess. If you use queen excluders, please use the Sundance I Bottom Mount trap.

The bees will quickly adapt to the top entrance. Wild bees always have their entrance above the brood nest so using a top entrance is natural for the bees.

Please see our separate Guide to Collecting Pollen for hints on maximizing your pollen collection, maintaining high quality and maximizing hive income.

Please, if you have any difficulty assembling your Sundance™ pollen trap, contact your dealer or us. We completely guarantee our workmanship. If you are dissatisfied with the workmanship of the product you received, please contact us or your dealer.

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