

# HoneybeeLives.org

A NATURALIST'S APPROACH TO BEEKEEPING

## MAINTAINING A HEALTHY HIVE: FALL/WINTER PREP



**HoneybeeLives Apiary**  
**133 Plains Road, New Paltz, NY**

The mid-summer is a critical time to tend our hives. It is important that our colonies are strong, as we head towards colder months. The earlier we address weaknesses the better we can help the bees rally for the winter. Learn how to clean up hives, and look for problems that might weaken your bees.

Varroa mite season is in full swing, just when the winter brood is being reared, so vigilance is important. It may be necessary to treat your hives for these parasites. Understand the options available for dealing with these pests in non-toxic ways, and if “treating” is necessary, so a hive doesn’t completely crash, learn about treating hives with organic-based acids.

Learn about the life in the hive during this transitional time. Understand what you are looking at, and how to judge the strength of a hive. Prepare for fall and winter, to best nurture the bees and boost their immune systems. Let us help you think thru your autumn tasks of fortifying your hives, and answer your questions. We also cover tightening and winterizing hives.

**\$60 per person for this 4-hour class. Please note there is a 6 student minimum, so not all classes will run, and others fill up quickly. Please sign-up early, and secure your spot with payment in advance.**

**Saturday, August 4, 10:30am - 2:30pm**

**Sunday, August 12, 11am - 3pm**

**Wednesday, August 22, 11am - 3pm**

**Saturday, August 25, 11am - 3pm**

**Saturday, September 8, 11am - 3pm**

**Wednesday, September 12, 11am - 3pm**

**Pre-registration is required, and pre-payment is appreciated.**

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