

HoneybeeLives.org

A Naturalist's Approach to Beekeeping With Chris Harp



Winter Classes 2015

Sustainable Living Resource Center - Rosendale, Hudson Valley

Jan 24 & 25 or Feb 7 & 8 or March 7 & 8

The Commons - Brooklyn

February 21 & 22

Natural / Organic Beekeeping – Winter Weekend Workshops

This two-day class will introduce students to Natural/Organic Beekeeping with a Biodynamic influence. You will come away with the knowledge, as well as the inspiration to nurture your honeybees and respect these hardworking, gentle creatures who live in complex and beautiful communities. We encourage beginners to take both days to obtain a broad understanding of the responsibilities and challenges entailed in this undertaking, so you can be knowledgeable, loving and confident beekeepers. These classes can be taken on one weekend, or divided into Saturday one weekend and Sunday another weekend. The Sunday class will be helpful to beginning and experienced beekeepers. We can help you obtain bees and we suggest you wait until after the class to purchase your equipment so you have a better understanding of your choices.

The class fee is \$200 per person if taking both days. Individual classes are \$110.

Intro to Organic Beekeeping: Planning a New Hive for Spring (Saturday 10am - 6pm)

Learn about the basic requirements and responsibilities for organic beekeeping. Understand the community of a hive, the tools involved, elements of site selection, where you can obtain honeybees and equipment, and an understanding of a naturalist approach to their needs. This class introduces students to a nurturing way of beekeeping, and a philosophy of respect and love for these amazing creatures. There is a hands-on demonstration of assembling a wooden hive, and extensive class handouts to help new beekeepers.

Understanding and Caring For Your Bees (Sunday 10am - 6pm)

Topics will include: hive congruency and design to benefit the colony (including Top Bar Hives); Honeybee health and disease management the natural way; seasonal concerns and methods to keep your bees strong.

Pre-registration is required, and advance payment is requested.

Gift certificates for classes are available.

Visit our website www.HoneybeeLives.org for more info on our approach to beekeeping.

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