

## **Honey Trivia**

1. How many flowers must honey bees tap to make one pound of honey?
2. How far does a hive of bees fly to bring you one pound of honey?
3. How much honey does the average worker honey bee make in her lifetime?
4. How fast does a honey bee fly?
5. How much honey would it take to fuel a bee's flight around the world?
6. Why are honey bees sometimes called "white man's flies"?
7. What is mead?
8. How long have bees been producing honey from flowering plants?
9. How many sides does each honeycomb cell have?
10. What is the U.S. per capita consumption of honey?
11. What state is known as the beehive state?
12. How many wings does a honey bee have?
13. How many beekeepers are there in the United States?
14. How many honey-producing colonies of bees are there in the United States?
15. How many flowers does a honey bee visit during one collection trip?
16. How do honey bees "communicate" with one another?
17. What does "super" mean to a beekeeper?

## **Answers**

1. Two million.
2. Over 55,000 miles.

3. 1/12 teaspoon.
4. About 15 miles per hour.
5. About one ounce (or two Tablespoons).
6. North American natives called honey bees this because they were brought to North America by European colonists.
7. Honey wine.
8. 10-20 million years.
9. Six
10. 1.31 pounds
11. Utah
12. Four
13. An estimated 211,600
14. The USDA estimates approximately 3 million honey producing colonies in the United States. This estimate is based on beekeepers who manage 5 or more colonies.
15. 50 to 100
16. "Dancing." Honey bees do a dance which alerts other bees where nectar & pollen is located. The dance explains direction & distance. Bees also communicate with pheromones.
17. The super is the hive box in which honey is stored.