

#### Bee Aware

Our Bees are vanishing and dying—beekeepers across the United States lost roughly 40 percent of their colonies from April 2014 to April 2015,

Bees pollinate 1 out of every 3 bites of food we eat—cotton to make our favorite t-shirts and jeans. More than 2 million worker bees travel 150,000 miles to make a pound of honey—it takes 8 pounds of honey to make 1 pound of beeswax for our WISH Candles.

### What would the world be like if there were no bees?

Researchers blame pesticides, disease, global warming, mites, habitat loss caused by urban and commercial developments—even modern farming itself, which moves truck loads of stressed, poorly feed, disoriented bees across the country to pollinate favorite foods like almonds, citrus trees, apple trees and blueberries.

### No Bees No Food No Future

Honeybee hives are rented out from the 1,600 migratory beekeepers who traverse the country annually. This migration mingles the sick insects with the healthy ones and deprives bees of proper nourishment when on the road. These bees struggle to live with no sleep and bad diet as they are trucked from farm to farm feeding on flowers from a single crop at a time. Stressed bees can't sleep in tractor trailer trucks bouncing across the country: If traveling hives are placed within 5 miles of each other they become disoriented and can't find their way back; they have a poor diet.

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# Modern Agrículture's Effect on Bees

## A Take Action

Simple things you can do to help save our bees

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  - Plant More Organic Flowers
  - Keep a container of clean water in your flowers
- 🗱 Use natural and Organic Pesticides
- ALL . Support your local beekeepers
- THE Buy local fruits, vegetables and honey
- Support your local organic farmers
  - Let weeds and wildflowers grow

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- 🕅 Become a beekeeper
- THE Share Information on social media
- Contact local politicians
  - Let Congress know what you think

