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Term of contract: April 15th 2023 -April 14th 2024

Price per hive per contract: \$2,100.00

Placement of \_\_\_\_ honeybee hive for the Term of Contract at \_\_\_\_\_

Island Bee Company (IBC) is a full service beekeeping company located on the island of Martha's Vineyard. This service includes management of \_\_\_\_ hive (s). IBC DOES NOT own bees on said property. IBC DOES own the equipment on said property.

Island Bee Company provides management services of your hive located at \_\_\_\_\_ for the term of contract. Placement of hive is decided by master beekeeper + property owner at the start of the term to ensure reasonable and non-disruptive access to service hive (s). A hive maintenance visit is, on average, every other week depending on seasonal needs. The service fee includes management of hive (s), colony care and replacement of bees or queen if needed.

Island Bee Company is a full service management operation. IBC is not a mentoring service. Clients are notified of upcoming site visits, and are encouraged to watch, but do not need to be present for visit.

Island Bee Company will provide a complete equipment set up for your bees that are provided by IBC. Beehive survival rate includes many factors-weather, environmental chemicals + diseases spread from untended nearby colonies. Colonies will be replaced when + if necessary by IBC for the term of contract.

We ask that you do not open beehive at any point during the term. As abovementioned, we will inform you of visits, and welcome your presence during the servicing, but we do NOT teach you how to be a beekeeper. We can and will be happy to direct you towards more honeybee educational resources.

Island Bee Company offers 2 honey harvesting options:

1. Self harvest- harvest timing is decided by the beekeeper. Capped frames will be pulled from hives and left in a pre planned location in a sealable container for client to extract

themselves. Instruction for this process will be given to client.

2. IBC bottling service-capped frames are taken from hive to our honey house in Vineyard Haven and extracted + bottled. Labels can be designed in advance (estimate provided) to be used for your honey.

All Island Bee Company clients will receive 12 lbs of honey guaranteed. Not all hives produce honey all the time.

There is a RISK OF STINGS in all apiaries. Island Bee Company solely uses a non aggressive stock of European honeybees that are gentle if not provoked. The risk is low, but present. Honeybees travel, in general, within a 2 mile radius. Anybody within this radius may get stung. This can be fatal to certain individuals with a severe allergic reaction to honeybees. IBC is not responsible for any injury related to honey bees.

A 50% deposit is due on January 1st of the year before the contract starts to secure bees. Full payment is due April 15th of year of contract. IBC accepts checks or cash.

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