

“Active” Manuka

Active Manuka, with its bio-active healing power symbol of 15+, has been shown by research to be the primary nectar source that consistently yields high levels of hydrogen peroxide activity. A special secondary antibacterial activity, which works alongside the peroxide activity, makes Active Manuka Honey one of the rarest and most precious honeys in the world!

Hydrogen peroxide is produced from an enzyme in the honey upon skin contact. Scientific evidence has shown that most strains of harmful bacteria cannot survive in the presence of hydrogen peroxide.

BIO–ACTIVE HEALING POWER™

According to studies performed at the University of Waikato, a few areas of New Zealand produce a Manuka honey, which contains a second type of antibacterial activity, in addition to the hydrogen peroxide activity. This secondary activity is measured in a laboratory with Manuka honey testing above 10, which is referred to as “Active Manuka”.

Amazingly, this antibacterial activity is unaffected by enzymes in the body that destroy the hydrogen peroxide components. Active Manuka diffuses deeper into skin tissue than the enzymes of other honeys.

In laboratory tests, Active Manuka has proven to be a powerful topical antibacterial. Active Manuka is classified as a Therapeutic Good in Australia (the equivalent to a drug registered and approved by the FDA in the United States), and the clinical advantages of Active Manuka have been recognized as a primary treatment by the UK Health Ministry for hospital wound care and treatment. The FDA in America has recognized Manuka as a healer on dressings for wound care.

LABORATORY TESTED

Our Manuka honey is tested for this secondary antibacterial activity by an independent laboratory, in accordance with the methods established by the University of Waikato. This activity is comparable to UMF® activity. We always provide our customers with honey from batches that are certified at the highest classification of 15+.

What does UMF stand for?

UMF stands for “Unique Manuka Factor”, the antibacterial factor in Active Manuka Honey that is responsible for naturally destroying bacteria such as staph (staph aureus), strep (streptococcus) and H. Pylori (Helicobacter Pylori). Only Active Manuka Honey contains UMF®. That makes Active Manuka Honey the only honey shown to kill H. Pylori. According to extensive research of more than 20 years, the Unique Manuka Factor (UMF) is a special secondary antibacterial activity making Active Manuka Honey one of the rarest and most precious honeys in the world!