

A well known commercially available general purpose essential oil product for bees that is similar to the following recipe claims many benefits even though many of those claims have yet to be proven. The following recipe should work about as well as that product and is way cheaper. It can be added in small quantities to feed to encourage feeding. It has been known to occasionally cause robbing behavior due to its great appeal to bees.

- > 5 cups water
- > 2 1/2 pounds of sugar
- > 1/8 teaspoon lecithin granules (used as an emulsifier)
- > 15 drops spearmint oil
- > 15 drops lemongrass oil