

These slides are for use by Associations to raise the profile of the Asian Hornet as an invasive species of concern.

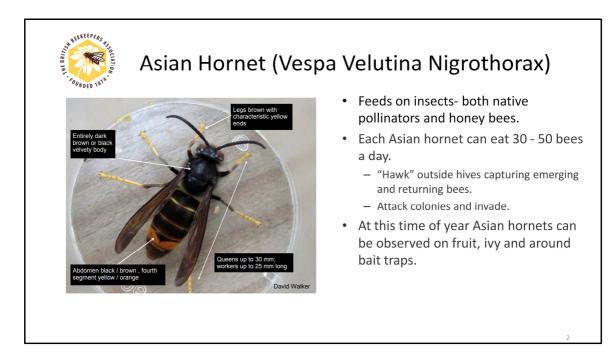
You may wish to add some or all of them to presentations for all members, presentations as part of taster days or presentations for introductory and other training courses.

These slides (September 2023) are designed to promote three immediate actions that beekeepers and members of the public can take:

- Know the features of the Asian Hornet
- Set up bait traps to "test" for the presence of Asian Hornet
- Report the presence of Asian Hornet

These actions can help NBU to track and destroy Asian Hornet nests.

We will update and share new slides as further actions are recommended by NBU.

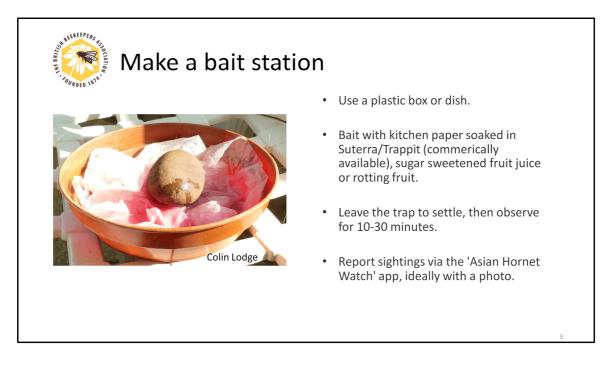


Please use this image to point out the key features of Asian Hornet:

Legs- brown with yellow ends (is oten called the yellow legged hornet) Brown or black velvety thorax

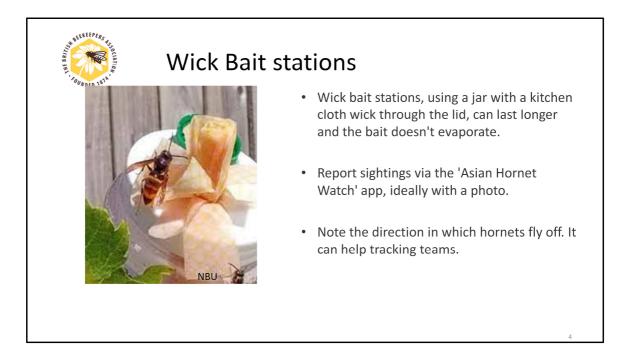
A brown/black abdomen with one yellow stripe on the fourth segment (much less yellow than the native hornet)

This image, owne by David Walker, is used courtesy of NBU.



When you make a bait station, position it away from the apiary. Asian hornets' range is most often measured as under 500m from the nest to bait, so, if spotted, this will give NBU a very good idea about where to find the nest.

After putting out the bait station leave it for a half hour or so, to spread its odour, before observing the bait station. Then observe for 10-30 minutes.



Instructions for making a wick bait station are here: https://www.nationalbeeunit.com/assets/PDFs/3_Resources_for_beekeepers/Fact_S heets/Fact_01_Asian_Hornet_Monitoring.pdf



