

Quick answer: Höveler Pur.Muskel is a supplementary muesli formulated for grain-sensitive horses — 5.8% starch, 4.1% sugar, and 18.7% crude fiber, with energy from 15.0% raw fat instead of grain. It is added to a complete ration, never fed alone. \$52.99 for a 44 lb bag. Last checked: September 2026.

Loose manure after meals, a sore-belly attitude under saddle, manure in the water bucket — grain sensitivity announces itself in ways no owner misses. The usual advice is straightforward: pull the grain. The harder part is replacing the energy and protein it was supplying. Pur.Muskel was built for that swap. Seven ways it helps.

1. Starch at just 5.8%

Grain-sensitive horses react to the starch load, and Pur.Muskel keeps it at 5.8% — only a fraction of what a typical grain concentrate carries.

Who this is for: horses that go sour or loosen when grain increases.

2. Sugar held at 4.1%

Sugar travels with starch in many quick-carbohydrate complaints, so Pur.Muskel holds that figure at 4.1% too. The feed suits metabolically sensitive breeds on purpose.

The benefit: a concentrate you can add without the gut paying for it.

3. Energy from fat, not grain: 15.0% raw fat

The mix provides 15.0% raw fat from linseed oil, flaxseed, and sunflower seed, delivering 14.1 MJ/kg of digestible energy. Fat bypasses the starch pathway that troubles sensitive horses.

Who this is for: horses that still require full workday energy on a low-grain ration.

4. Fiber-forward at 18.7% crude fiber

Pur.Muskel carries 18.7% crude fiber, with meadow lyegrass in the mix. Fiber is the grain-sensitive horse's home ground — the gut handles it happily.

The benefit: energy delivered the way the horse's gut likes it.

5. 20% raw protein in a small daily dose

The mix carries 20% raw protein with 160 g/kg digestible crude protein and 0.85% lysine, added at 0.07–0.11 lb (30–50 g) per 220 lb (100 kg) of body weight in light work. Small, gentle portions suit a sensitive digestive system. (The feed contains soy flakes <https://sites.google.com/view/muscle-building-feed-for-horse/> and is not soy-free; it is alfalfa-free.)

Who this is for: muscle-building programs running on a reduced-starch ration.

6. Gentle on the stomach — stated, not implied

The fact sheet calls Pur.Muskel easy on the stomach and points out its fit for metabolically sensitive breeds. With no added vitamins or minerals, it joins a custom feeding plan without doubling any input.

Who this is for: owners managing a fully balanced, carefully controlled ration.

7. Competition safe and FEI-compliant

The sensitive horse still has a job. Pur.Muskel is competition safe and FEI-compliant, made by Höveler — German horse feed since 1905, over 120 years of expertise. Bifid supports the plan with a 24/7 licensed vet team and a 30-Day Money-Back Guarantee.

Who this is for: competition horses whose gut decides how show day goes.

How to feed it

Pur.Muskel is a supplementary feed added to a complete ration — never a standalone complete feed. Rates per 220 lb (100 kg) of body weight per day:

Work level	Daily rate per 220 lb (100 kg) body weight
Light work	0.07–0.11 lb (30–50 g)
Medium work	0.11–0.18 lb (50–80 g)
Heavy work	0.18–0.22 lb (80–100 g)

Example: a 1,000 lb horse in medium work gets 50–80 g daily. Introduce any new feed gradually, adjust to condition and training intensity, and keep forage always alongside. Persistent digestive upset calls for a vet check.

Key specs at a glance: 44 lb bag, \$52.99, raw protein 20%, starch 5.8%, sugar 4.1%, crude fiber 18.7%, raw fat 15.0% — a supplementary feed added to a complete ration. The full label is on the Höveler Pur.Muskel 44 lb bag page.

Work out the exact rate with the feeding calculator.

What an owner said

"Noticeable difference in stamina" — Jessica, March 14, 2019 (4/10). Quality 4, Value 5, Price 4.

Frequently asked questions

Is Pur.Muskel suitable for a grain-sensitive horse?

It is formulated with starch at 5.8% and sugar at 4.1%, with energy delivered as 15.0% raw fat and 18.7% crude fiber. As a supplementary feed it is added in small daily amounts to a complete ration.

Can it replace the energy my grain was providing?

It provides 14.1 MJ/kg of digestible energy from fat and fiber. Whether the complete ration balances out hinges on forage and the rest of the plan — the 24/7 licensed vet team can help review it.

Does it contain soy?

Yes — soy flakes are a listed protein source, so it is not soy-free. It is alfalfa-free, with no added vitamins or minerals.

What if it does not agree with my horse?

Bifid provides a 30-Day Money-Back Guarantee, and any new feed should be introduced gradually. The 24/7 licensed vet team can help you adjust the ration.