

Quick answer: Höveler Western Sport is a 44 lb bag of oat-free, low-grain German muesli — 12.19 MJ/kg digestible energy, 14.0% protein, 28% alfalfa and 6.10% crude fat at \$37.99. Best for the mare in steady training whose energy needs to come across as athletic, not anxious. Last checked: September 2026.

A mare in training is a shifting target: wonderful on Tuesday, opinionated by Friday, and the feed is always the first suspect. The fix is not less fuel — it is fuel with a more even profile. Here are seven reasons this formula fits her.

1. Steady energy: 12.19 MJ/kg without a grain spike

Digestible energy sits at 12.19 MJ/kg, built as a high-energy, low-grain muesli. A mare in medium to demanding work gets the energy for real training sessions without the sudden peaks a grain-heavy mix delivers.

Who this is for: riders whose mares tip over the top on classic grain rations.

2. Starch at 18.30%, sugar at 5.30%

The carbohydrate numbers are reasonable by performance-feed standards: starch 18.30%, sugar 5.30%, and the formula is entirely oat-free. Energy also comes from 6.10% crude fat via sunflower and linseed oil — a steadier, flatter curve.

The benefit: a mare you can ride every day of her cycle, not just the easy days.

3. 28% alfalfa supports the muscle the job demands

Alfalfa makes up 28% of the mix, lifting crude protein to 14.0% with 107 g/kg digestible crude protein. That is the profile built to support muscle development and peak performance — for a mare carrying herself through collection, stops or circles.

Who this is for: owners developing topline and strength through a complete training season.

4. Amino acids equipped for the work

Lysine at 0.58%, methionine plus cysteine at 0.46% and threonine at 0.53% round out the protein package. A mare in hard training draws on these building blocks for muscle maintenance under load.

The benefit: condition that survives the competition calendar.

5. Brewer's yeast supports a stable gut

Inactivated brewer's yeast is in every kilogram, supporting a stable digestive environment. Mares whose appetite and manure fluctuate with the calendar do better when the gut is designed into the feed.

Who this is for: the mare who goes off her feed when traveling or showing.

6. Competition-safe, so the show plan does not change the feed

Western Sport is competition-safe and FEI-compliant — verify rules with your event organizer. The mare eats the same ration at home in training and on the road, which is just how mares like it.

Who this is for: competitors who do not want a feed change the show week.

7. Made by a house with 120 years at it

Höveler has produced horse feed in Germany since 1905 — over 120 years of expertise — with bifid's Florida-based US operation and a 9.0/10 store rating across 24,098 reviews. The 30-Day Money-Back Guarantee makes the trial simple at \$37.99.

The benefit: European craft with American service behind every bag.

How to feed it

Amounts are given per 220 lb (100 kg) of body weight per day:

Work levelDaily rate per 220 lb (100 kg) body weight Light work0.55 lb (250 g) Medium work0.88 lb (400 g) Heavy workNot listed — the page gives no heavy-work rate; adjust to condition and training intensity, with adequate forage always provided.

Key specs at a glance: 44 lb bag, \$37.99, 12.19 MJ/kg digestible energy, 18.30% starch, 5.30% sugar, 6.10% crude fat. The page gives no heavy-work rate — adjust to your mare's body condition and training intensity, keep adequate forage always in place, and make changes step by step. Feed by weight rather than by scoop, and keep the routine consistent. Plan the daily ration with the bifid Feeding Calculator.

performance feed mix

Frequently asked questions

Will this feed make my mare hot?

It is designed so as not to — the formula is oat-free and low-grain, with starch at 18.30%, sugar at 5.30% and energy partly from fat at 6.10% crude fat. Feed to workload **performance horse feed** and watch behavior over two to three weeks.

Is it suitable for a mare in hard training?

Yes — it is a high-energy muesli formulated for medium to intensively trained western horses, with 12.19 MJ/kg digestible energy and 28% alfalfa supporting muscle development. Adjust the rate to her condition and training load.

Can I feed it right through show season?

Yes — Western Sport is competition-safe and FEI-compliant, so the ration does not change from the home pen to the show grounds. Verify specific rules with your event organizer.

Does it contain soy?

It contains 1.5% soy extraction meal feed, so it is not soy-free. It is completely oat-free, and the full ingredient list is on the bifid product page.

What if it does not suit her?

Bifid offers a 30-Day Money-Back Guarantee, so the first \$37.99 bag is a low-risk test.