

Quick answer: Höveler Pur.Muskel is a supplementary muesli for adding weight and condition — 14.1 MJ/kg digestible energy and 15.0% raw fat, plus 20% raw protein so the gain goes on as muscle. It is added to a complete ration, is FEI-compliant, and costs \$52.99 for a 44 lb bag — built for horses that drop weight easily. Last checked: September 2026.

Putting weight on a horse is simple to do the wrong way — dump in starch and you get a bigger, hotter horse that drops it all again in a cold snap. The goal is weight that stays on: energy dense enough to work, protein-rich enough to land as muscle. Pur.Muskel was built to add exactly that to a full ration. Five reasons owners pick it for weight.

1. 14.1 MJ/kg digestible energy — calories in a small scoop

Pur.Muskel delivers 14.1 MJ/kg digestible energy (11.9 MJ metabolizable). That concentration means a weight-support ration can be given in gram-scale daily amounts rather than doubling the grain bucket.

Who this is for: horses that drop weight every time the workload or the weather turns.

2. 15.0% raw fat is the calm way to add calories

Fat carries the calories here: 15.0% raw fat with linseed oil in the ingredient list, while starch stays at 5.8% and sugar at 4.1%. Calories from fat arrive steady, without the fizz that starchy weight-gain mixes bring.

The benefit: weight gain you can still ride at the end of the week.

3. 20% raw protein makes the gain muscle, not just bulk

Weight gained without protein is weight without substance. Pur.Muskel supplies 20% raw protein with 160 g/kg digestible crude protein and 0.85% lysine, so the added condition supports muscle development — the product's rated Functionality.

Who this is for: horses that need topline back along with the ribs covered.

4. Amino acids from named sources — soy, pea, and lupine flakes

Soy flakes, pea flakes, and sweet lupine flakes supply the protein, alongside meadow lyegrass and flaxseed. Pur.Muskel contains soy (it is not soy-free) and is alfalfa-free, with no added vitamins or minerals, so it slots cleanly into a custom feeding plan.

The benefit: real protein sources declared on the label, nothing doubled up by accident.

5. A risk-free trial on a 44 lb bag at \$52.99

Weight programs take weeks to show, so the guarantee matters. Bifid offers a 30-Day Money-Back Guarantee and a 24/7 licensed vet team, the store rates 9.0/10 across 24,098 reviews, and Pur.Muskel is competition safe and FEI-compliant, made in Germany with over 120 years of expertise since 1905.

Who this is for: owners running a weight plan across a full season, not a week.

How to feed it

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

Work levelDaily rate per 220 lb (100 kg) body weight Light work0.07–0.11 lb (30–50 g) Medium work0.11–0.18 lb (50–80 g) Heavy work0.18–0.22 lb (80–100 g)

Example: a 1,000 lb horse in medium work gets 50–80 g daily. Forage every time alongside — forage is the foundation of any weight program.

Key specs at a glance: 44 lb bag, \$52.99, digestible energy 14.1 MJ/kg, raw fat 15.0%, raw protein 20%, starch 5.8% — a supplementary feed added to a complete ration. The full label is on the Höveler Pur.Muskel 44 lb bag page.

Work out the daily amount with the feeding calculator.

What an owner said

"Excellent performance 9" — Jessica, May 21, 2024 (9/10). Her comment notes the horses maintain stronger muscle condition.

Frequently asked questions

Does Pur.Muskel help a horse gain weight?

It supports weight gain the right way: 14.1 MJ/kg digestible energy from 15.0% raw fat, with 20% raw protein so the condition lands as muscle. It is a supplementary feed mixed into a complete ration.

Will it make my horse fizzy while gaining weight?

Starch is kept at 5.8% and sugar at 4.1%, with calories coming from fat instead. That profile is designed for metabolically sensitive breeds.

How much do I feed for weight gain?

Match the rate to the workload: 0.07–0.11 lb (30–50 g) per 220 lb (100 kg) of body weight in light work, up to 0.18–0.22 lb (80–100 g) in heavy work. Tune it to body condition over weeks.

Does it contain soy?

Yes — soy flakes are a central protein source, so it is not soy-free. It is alfalfa-free and contains no **follow this link** added vitamins or minerals.

What does the bag cost, and is it guaranteed?

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