

Trågpupa Hive – 0.0 (Initial, Rough Design)

This is the rough design for a Swedish “trough” hive called a *trågpupa* (formal plans to follow). The *trågpupa* is meant to provide extra space for insulation for overwintering. It is built like a cabinet and opens up: the lid tips back and the front tips down. Inside the “trough” holds 21 Langstroth frames. A divider board can be put in the middle to keep two colonies in one *trågpupa*. Standard Langstroth deeps and supers can be placed on top of the built-in “trough.” To overwinter, two hives can be kept with an extra deep on top of each half of the trough or one hive can be installed along the entire trough. These plans were created by the Low Technology Institute based on photos found here: http://dronaren.dinstudio.se/empty_18.html.



Inspiration photo from
<http://chopwoodcarrywaterplantseeds.blogspot.com/2012/07/tragkupa-old-horisontal-swedish-bee.html>

