

# Native Stingless Bee (Apidae: Meliponini) Diversity and Ethnobiology in the Atlantic Rain Forest of Argentina

## The Project in Images



# Meliponini diversity

- Standardized samplings In the Iguazú National Park



Pan trap collecting bees



Van Somer Trap



Rotten fish in Van Somer Trap

- We used three methods for capturing bees (Pan Trap; Van Somer Trap, active netting). and in the (INP).

# Some Meliponinis Bees (entrance nest and bees)



# Ethnobiological work



# Management of the yate-í

1. Extracting natural nests
2. Draw off the bee nests into hive boxes



Not destructive method



“rational” hive models: König (left) and UTB (right)



Old natural nests

# Old and new hives

- The new hives facilitate the extraction of honey and increase the hygiene
- Protection roof for the hives (below)



# “The 1st Meeting of Yatei and Other Wildlife Bees Breeders”



## 1º ENCUENTRO DE CRIADORES DE YATE-Í y ABEJAS DE MONTE

VAMOS A CHARLAR Y APRENDER SOBRE:

- Como viven las yateí
- Como podemos criarlas
- Cuales son los mejores cajones
- Que cuidados debemos darles
- Que otras abejas de monte podemos criar



**SÁBADO 7 DE MARZO DE 2009**

DE 10 A 17HRS (CON ALMUERZO)

**LUGAR: RESERVA YATE-Í**

SOBRE RUTA 101

CORREDOR BIOLÓGICO URUGUA-Í-FOERSTER

**Invitado especial:** Sr. König (productor de yateí de Montecarlo)

**Organizadores:**

Conservación Argentina (CA) y Centro de Investigaciones del Bosque Atlántico (CeIBA)

# Introductory dissertations

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# Practical activity

Teacher: Mrs. König (Local meliponini expert beekeeper from Montercalo city)



# Exhibition of different hive models





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