



1. On a level surface attach **Cross Tubes** to **Hive Uprights** using **Cross Tube Inserts** (small bushings) and **Truss Head Bolts**. Put **Tube Insert** into **Cross Tube** (small end in), slide **Cross Tube** into deep recess of **Hive Upright**, insert **Truss Head Bolt** from outside and tighten. Repeat until **Cross Tubes** are in place in both uprights. Add both **Cross Tubes** to one **Hive Upright** and then the other.
2. For added stability add 5 - 10 lbs. of sand to each leg by removing the cap on the **Ballast Port** on the inside of each upright. Be sure to reinstall the cap.
3. For security install the 4 stainless steel **Security Screws** into the holes at the top of each upright and screw into bottom board. This step is crucial. Make sure bottom board is centered front to back on the support ledge before installing screws.
4. Place the hive on level, hard ground that can support the full weight of the hive. We strongly recommend putting pavers below the legs for added stability.
5. If using optional **Frame Holders** insert these into the holes on the top of the **Hive Upright** and press down firmly so they nest in horizontal recess and project out from the base. To store, pull up and rotate against the hive body.

**SAFETY HINTS**

- **Make sure to attach hive to base with Security Screws.**
- **Install pavers (minimum 8" x 8") under legs for added stability.**
- **Use tie-downs, especially on hive with honey supers for added safety.**
- **Add sand to uprights for more stability.**

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