

Quick answer: Höveler Pur.Muskel is a supplementary feed mixed into a complete ration — 20% raw protein and 15.0% raw fat backing a full day's work, with starch at 5.8% to keep the mind quiet. Competition safe and FEI-compliant, \$52.99 for a 44 lb bag. Last checked: September 2026.

Ranch owners need a horse that works all day and stays sensible — muscle and stamina without a feed that frays the nerves by noon. Pur.Muskel was developed to add fat-based energy and muscle-building protein to a full ration in small daily amounts. Seven reasons it suits ranch work.

1. All-day energy from 15.0% raw fat

Ranch work is steady output, not sprints. Pur.Muskel holds 15.0% raw fat with linseed oil in the ingredient list and delivers 14.1 MJ/kg digestible energy (11.9 MJ metabolizable) — calories that can carry a horse through a long day.

Who this is for: horses that cover miles and come home still wanting their supper.

2. 20% raw protein maintains the working frame

A ranch horse's value is its back, loin, and hindquarter — all of it muscle. Pur.Muskel supplies 20% raw protein with 160 g/kg digestible crude protein and 0.85% lysine; Muscle Building is its rated Functionality, and it is a supplementary feed added to a complete ration.

The benefit: a frame that holds up across the season instead of wearing down.

3. 5.8% starch and 4.1% sugar for a dependable mind

A calm horse is a safe horse around cattle and gates. Starch sits at 5.8% and sugar at 4.1% — a profile formulated for metabolically sensitive breeds, and part of why the mix is gentle on the stomach.

Who this is for: horses that get sharp or herd-bound on grain-heavy rations.

4. Small rates that fit the feed-room reality

Even in heavy work, the rate is only 0.18–0.22 lb (80–100 g) per 220 lb (100 kg) of body weight [muscle building feed for horses](#) daily — a small top-up on top of the forage and grain program a working string already gets.

The benefit: targeted support without rewriting the whole feed plan.

5. No added vitamins or minerals — keep your own program in charge

Pur.Muskel contains no added vitamins or minerals and is alfalfa-free, so it fits into a custom feeding plan without repeating what your forage and balancer provide. Protein comes from named sources: soy flakes, pea flakes, and sweet lupine flakes.

Who this is for: owners who already know exactly what goes in every bucket.

6. Competition safe for the weekend show string

If the same horses do ranch rodeos or rated classes, the feed needs clean credentials. Pur.Muskel is competition safe and FEI-compliant, made in Germany by a house that has made horse feed since 1905 — over 120 years of expertise.

The benefit: one feed from the work week to the weekend class.

7. A 44 lb bag at \$52.99 with the purchase covered

Pur.Muskel rates 4.55 from 2 reviews and costs \$52.99 for a 44 lb bag. Bifid stands behind it with a 30-Day Money-Back Guarantee and a 24/7 licensed vet team; the store rates 9.0/10 across 24,098 reviews, with the US operation run in Florida. The product page has the full label.

Who this is for: owners trying one bag on part of the string before committing the whole barn.

How to feed it

Pur.Muskel is a supplementary feed added to a complete ration — not a complete feed on its own, with forage always alongside. Rates per 220 lb (100 kg) of body weight per day:

Work level	Daily rate per 220 lb (100 kg) body weight
Light work	0.07–0.11 lb (30–50 g)
Medium work	0.11–0.18 lb (50–80 g)
Heavy work	0.18–0.22 lb (80–100 g)

Example: a 1,000 lb horse in medium work gets 50–80 g daily. The gram-scale rates are small — weigh them, and adjust to condition and the season's workload. The feeding calculator works out the daily amount for your horse.

Key specs at a glance: 44 lb bag, \$52.99, raw protein 20%, raw fat 15.0%, digestible energy 14.1 MJ/kg, starch 5.8% — a supplementary feed blended into a complete ration.

What an owner said

"Noticeable difference in stamina" — Jessica, March 14, 2019. Rated Quality 4, Value 5, and Price 4.

Frequently asked questions

Is Pur.Muskel suited to ranch horses?

Yes — it backs the day's work with 14.1 MJ/kg digestible energy from 15.0% raw fat and [low starch horse feed](#) holds muscle with 20% raw protein. It is a supplementary feed mixed into a complete ration.

Will it make a ranch horse hot?

Starch is held at 5.8% and sugar at 4.1%, with energy from fat instead. That profile is designed for metabolically sensitive breeds and quiet minds.

Can I feed it to horses that also show?

Yes — Pur.Muskel is competition safe and FEI-compliant, German-made with over 120 years of expertise.

Does it contain soy?

Yes — soy flakes are a main protein source, so it is not soy-free. It is alfalfa-free with no added vitamins or minerals.

How much do I feed?

Per 220 lb (100 kg) of body weight: 0.07–0.11 lb (30–50 g) light work up to 0.18–0.22 lb (80–100 g) heavy work. A 1,000 lb horse in medium work gets 50–80 g a day.