

Quick answer: Höveler Pur.Muskel is a supplementary muesli added to a complete ration, formulated to support muscle development in breeds like warmbloods — 20% raw protein, 160 g/kg digestible crude protein, and only 5.8% starch for a level head. Competition safe and FEI-compliant, \$52.99 for a 44 lb bag. Last checked: September 2026.

A warmblood is a big engine with big demands: topline to carry, haunches to power, and a temperament that grain can sour in a week. Feeding one well means concentrated protein and calm energy — protein leading the way. Pur.Muskel was designed to support muscle in exactly this kind of horse. Below are nine reasons it fits a warmblood program.

1. 20% raw protein for a big frame's topline

A warmblood frame is a lot of horse over the fence line, and the topline is where collected work lives. Pur.Muskel delivers 20% raw protein with 160 g/kg digestible crude protein, and its rated Functionality is Muscle Building. It is a supplementary feed part of a full ration, never a standalone complete feed.

Who this is for: warmbloods in flatwork or jumping programs building visible development.

2. The amino acids a large horse uses in volume

Essential amino acids come counted: lysine at 0.85%, methionine at 0.25%, methionine plus cysteine at 0.5%, threonine at 0.6% — from soy flakes, pea flakes, and sweet lupine flakes in the ingredient list.

The benefit: protein quality spelled out, not hidden behind a percentage.

3. 5.8% starch keeps the big motor rideable

Warmbloods with starch-heavy fuel can turn hot in a week. Pur.Muskel holds starch at 5.8% and sugar at 4.1%, with energy from 15.0% raw fat — a profile formulated for metabolically sensitive breeds and rideable temperaments.

Who this is for: powerful horses that sharpen up on traditional grain mixes.

4. Energy density that matches a big appetite for work

At 14.1 MJ/kg digestible energy (11.9 MJ metabolizable), Pur.Muskel supplies serious fuel in serious horse portions — 0.18–0.22 lb (80–100 g) per 220 lb (100 kg) of body weight is the rate for heavy work, which is where a warmblood in full campaign sits in season.

Who this is for: horses in full training that go through lighter feeds.

5. Crude fiber at 18.7% supports the big hindgut

Warmbloods handle much of their fueling in the hindgut. Pur.Muskel carries 18.7% crude fiber, with meadow lygrass and flaxseed among the named ingredients — fiber alongside the density.

Who this is for: owners who want a supplement that respects how a large horse digests.

6. No added vitamins or minerals — the plan stays custom

Warmblood programs often include a balancer and careful mineral planning. Pur.Muskel contains no added vitamins or minerals, so it slots into a custom feeding plan without duplicating anything. It **Additional reading** is also alfalfa-free and easy on the stomach.

The benefit: one feed slot, entirely yours to manage.

7. Grape seed flour and rosehip in the mix

The ingredient list includes grape seed flour and rosehip — whole-food extras alongside sunflower seed, apple pome, and linseed oil. It **muscle building feed for horses** is the kind of list owners of premium-bred horses hope to read.

Who this is for: buyers who judge a feed by its ingredients, not its marketing.

8. Made in Germany since 1905, competition safe throughout

A house that has made horse feed since 1905 — over 120 years of expertise — behind a mix that is competition safe and FEI-compliant. European craftsmanship, American service, consistency all season.

The benefit: a single ration from winter conditioning straight through to the championship test.

9. Bought with the risk covered

Pur.Muskel rates 4.55 from 2 reviews on the product page, and bifid backs the purchase 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 based in Florida. It costs \$52.99 for a 44 lb bag, and the product page has the full nutrition panel.

Who this is for: owners building a warmblood over several years who want the first bag covered.

How to feed it

Pur.Muskel is a supplementary feed stirred into a complete ration — forage stays the base, and it is never a standalone complete feed. 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. These are small gram-range rates — weigh the ration rather than scooping on sight, and scale to the horse's full body weight and workload. bifid's feeding calculator works out the daily amount.

Key specs at a glance: 44 lb bag, \$52.99, raw protein 20%, raw fat 15.0%, starch 5.8%, sugar 4.1% — a supplementary feed added to a complete ration.

What an owner said

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

Frequently asked questions

Is Pur.Muskel suitable for warmbloods?

Yes — it supports muscle development with 20% raw protein and 160 g/kg digestible crude protein, with starch held at 5.8% for a rideable mind. It is added to a complete ration, never fed alone.

How much do I feed a large warmblood?

Rates are per 220 lb (100 kg) of body weight: 0.07–0.11 lb (30–50 g) light work, 0.11–0.18 lb (50–80 g) medium work, 0.18–0.22 lb (80–100 g) heavy work. A larger horse scales up within those ranges — weigh the serving.

Will it make a warmblood hot?

Energy comes from 15.0% raw fat instead of starch, which is held at 5.8% with sugar at 4.1%. The profile is formulated for metabolically sensitive breeds.

Does it contain soy?

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

Can it be used through competition season?

Yes — Pur.Muskel is competition safe and FEI-compliant, made in Germany by a house that has made horse feed since 1905.