



Lely Commodity Feeder

*A feed hopper designed to dispense
non-pelleted feed in the Lely Astronaut*

Unlock the possibilities of commodity feeding

Feeding concentrates is an important part of the automated milking process. The concentrate fed in the Lely Astronaut gives the cow an extra motivation to visit the milking robot more regularly. With a traditional feed hopper, you are limited to only pellets. The commodity feeder unlocks new possibilities for concentrate feeding on your farm.

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Optimize your business

The commodity feeder allows you to use a wider range of concentrates in the ration that will ultimately optimize the feed costs of your farm.

As you know, feed costs account for approximately 50% of the total cost of milk production. Being able to feed your herd the correct feed at the right time improves feed efficiency, reduces feed costs and improves profitability. 90% of all farms with milking robots use pelleted feed to ensure the best concentrate dosing.

Commodities are much more sensitive to clogging or bridging in the feed hopper, which causes incorrect dosing. This can cause milk loss or health problems. In the past, this limited your choice to just pellets when optimizing the ration, instead of a wider range of any available commodities. To unlock the potential of commodity feeding in the Lely Astronaut A5, the commodity feeder is now standard on this milking robot.

Experienced solution

The commodity feeder was previously an optional feature on the Lely Astronaut and has proven itself as an optimal feeding solution.

A few examples of commodities that can be fed with the commodity feeder

- Barley
- Corn
- Soy products
- Oats
- Flaxseeds
- Farm specific meals

By adding the commodity feeder to the Lely Astronaut portfolio, you are able to choose the perfect feeding solution for your herd.

Commodity feeder (standard):

This feeder is used for pelleted and commodity feeds, is standard on the Lely Astronaut A5 and is available as an upgrade kit.

Liquid feeder (optional):

This feeder is used for liquid feeds.

The commodity feeder is now standard on all new Lely Astronaut A5s and also available as an upgrade kit for all Lely Astronaut A5s and A4s built after July 2013.



Corn meal



Flaxseeds meal



Farm specific meals



Pelleted feed

Ready to optimize your feeding strategy and get a better grip on your feed costs? Contact your local Lely Center to learn more about the benefits that the commodity feeder can bring to your farm.

Your local Lely Center can perform a test to ensure that the commodity feeder is the right solution for the specific commodities you have. Please feel free to contact your local Lely Center for advice.

