



Pavo Biest: Colostrum Concentrate

Newborn foals do not yet have any antibodies against infections. Sufficient quantities of antibodies are only produced by the foal at the age of 3 to 5 weeks. To maintain good health during this period, antibodies acquired via the colostrum are necessary. Antibodies can only pass through the intestinal wall on the first day after birth. Within 12 hours after birth, assimilation is very good; after 24 hours, the antibodies can no longer be assimilated and produce no protective effects.

Directions for use

1. Heat 1 litres of Pavo Milk replacer for foals to body temperature (38 – 40 degrees Celsius). If no Pavo Milk replacer for foals is available, semi-skimmed milk can be used.
2. Then add the full dose of Colostrums Concentrate and stir until the mixture is homogeneous.
3. Give approx. 250 ml of colostrums at body temperature every other hour, using a bottle with teat or directly from the bucket.

Tips for preparation:

- It is recommended to heat the colostrums and keep it warm in a bain-marie, i.e. by heating the milk in a pan or bowl (containing at least 1 litre) suspended in or above a larger pan of hot water. This way the milk will not curdle or burn.
- **Never use a microwave to heat colostrums!**

Feeding tips:

- If the foal will not eat, you could try to stimulate its appetite by putting some sugar on its tongue.
- Do not force the foal to drink the colostrums by bending its head backwards, as this may cause the colostrums to enter its lungs.
- Never give the foal more than 500 ml of colostrums per hour, as this may cause diarrhoea.
- Observe proper hygiene. Make sure your hands are clean when you prepare and give the milk and thoroughly clean the teat, bottle and water-bowls after use.