Recommended Reading for Beginning Beekeepers

*Beekeeping in Northern Climates* by Marla Spivak – A book of techniques that follow’s Spivak’s well-research hive management system.

*Honeybee Pests and Diseases* by Marla Spivak

University of Minnesota Bee Lab – the famed Marla Spivak works here: [http://www.beelab.umn.edu/](http://www.beelab.umn.edu/) They also offer on-site classes that are worth the money.

*Natural Beekeeping* by Ross Conrad - An excellent overview of basic beekeeping using an integrated pest management approach.

*Honeybee Democracy* by Thomas D. Seeley – A thorough overview of honeybee biology!

Check local bee associations for classes, mentors, online forums, and more. In Madison, it is the Dane County Beekeepers Association: [www.madbees.org](http://www.madbees.org)