



### **Muth Jar with Cork – Vintage Honey Jar**

Your jar is a beautiful replica of the old-fashioned, square honey jars created and used by Charles Muth. He was one of the largest US sellers of honey in the 1800's. He developed the first square jars to be used specifically for honey. They became known as the Muth Honey Jar.

The Muth Jars are embossed clear glass featuring a **bee skep** and the **weight of the honey**. The word "skep" is thought to originate from the Old Norse (Norwegian) word "skeppe" meaning a basket or hamper. In medieval times, bees were often housed in skeps that resembled overturned baskets, hence their name.

The traditional coiled skep was in common use until the modern wooden hive gradually superseded it from the 1850's onward.

Your jar was sealed using the beeswax from their hives. This is how it would have been done in the 1800's and is still done by some beekeepers today.

We intentionally left droplets of the heated beeswax that made their way down the side of the jar. This happens sometimes because the beeswax is just a little too hot. This clearly confirms that the process is truly hand-crafted.

We hope you'll enjoy this keepsake bottle!