



# Calf Jacket

High quality purpose-made warm, waterproof, and washable calf jackets to help newborn, young or weak calves thrive in the cold.

Thermoo calf jackets stop calves losing body heat, so their energy is more effectively used for feeding, building immunity and growth.

## FEATURES

- Waterproof, windproof, breathable.
- Belly strap avoids the navel.
- Machine washable.
- Large clips easy to handle in the cold.
- Cosy neck extension with easy vein access.
- Durable metal clips and quick-dry material.
- No sticky material to attract bedding.
- Unique adjustable design.
- Leg straps for security, and to avoid soiling on the cover.
- Also great for goats, dogs and many similar-sized animals.

Small (maroon) 60cm shoulder to tail, great for Jerseys and crossbreds up to 5 weeks

**PC 2507: THERMOO CALF JACKET  
PLUM - SMALL**



Medium (blue) 70cm shoulder to tail, great for Friesians/large breeds.

**PC 2511: THERMOO CALF JACKET  
AQUA - MEDIUM**



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– Byron Carins, north-east Tasmania.



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# CALF COVERS ACCELERATE GROWTH

Keeping calves warm is almost as good as putting money in the bank, according to the science on the subject.

Calves are born with just 3% bodyfat and a high surface area to bodyweight ratio. If temperatures drop below 15°C (lower critical temperature), or if calves are fed cold milk when they are aged under three weeks, they are forced use energy to generate warmth rather than using it for feeding, building immunity, and growth.

A UK study between Harper Adams University and feed firm Wynnstay concluded that calves wearing jackets during their first 12 weeks of life gained 5.3kg more overall weight than the calves without jackets.

Their other key findings included that the calves wearing jackets also had increased last-rib girth measurements (indicating improved rumen development), improved coat bloom, improved faecal scores, and a reduced incidence of scours.

The Thermoo calf jacket has been designed by the New Zealand vets who also designed the award winning oesophageal feeder – the Antahi Trusti Tuber.

So, it comes as no surprise that they have used superior materials (that don't attract bedding) and included unique design features so the jackets are shaped and made for a cosy, and secure fit. The exclusive neck extension also offers easy vein access, if it is needed.

The belly strap is well forward of the navel and the leg straps give a safe fit. The Thermoo calf jacket is an easy, extremely practical, long-lasting and reusable solution to an age-old dilemma.

## DESIGNED BY VETS – CHOSEN BY FARMERS – PREFERRED BY CALVES

Byron and Danielle Carins, of Brookside Dairy, at Winnaleah, in north-east Tasmania invested in 50 jackets so they could get their calves out of the calf shed and into the paddocks quicker. They rear 100 calves a year from their 300-cow milking herd.

*"We just felt that by getting them into the paddocks, we'd avoid the build-up of bacteria in the shed,"* Byron said.

*"The first night they were out we had 25mm of rain and it was pretty cold."*



*When we went to feed them in the morning they were burning around like they didn't have a worry in the world.*

*If we didn't have the covers on I'm sure they would have been standing in a corner with their ears down.*

*"I'm 100% confident that they're going to grow faster with the jackets because I put my hand in under them while the calves were feeding that morning, and they were all warm and dry.*

*"It's more like a horse rug, to be honest."*

## ANTIBODY ABSORPTION

When ambient temperatures fall below 10 degrees Celsius (50 degrees Fahrenheit), the rate of colostrum antibody absorption in newborns falls (Olsen et al, 1981).

By sustaining calf warmth the newborns get the maximum benefit from the colostrum that has been carefully supplied.

## COLD WEATHER SAPS ENERGY

Cold weather and/or feeding cold milk taxes a calf's system, diverting the energy it would usually use for growth to warm itself. It slows growth and adds to the vulnerability of the calf's immune system.

- At 10°C the calf requires an extra 0.5 L milk per day
- At 5°C an extra litre
- At 0°C an extra 1.5 litres



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