

## **Sparkling Cerise Cider Instructions**

#### **RECIPE INCLUDES:**

- 1 Hard Apple Cider Refill
- 1 Can Dark Sweet Cherries in Heavy Syrup
- 1 Can Royal Anne Cherries in Heavy Syrup
- 2 Packets No-Rinse Cleanser

#### YOU PROVIDE:

2 Cups Brown Sugar, packed

NOTE: This is an advanced recipe. Follow instructions very carefully.

#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

100% GLUTEN FREE!

OG: 1.048 (approx.) -- FG: 1.001(approx.) Suggested lager time is 3 to 6 weeks.

Flavor: Hard Cider ABV (alc/vol): 6.3% SRM (Color): 3

IBU (Bitterness): None

### Step 1: SANITIZING

Follow the steps outlined in your Mr. Beer Kit Instructions. (You can find a copy of these instructions by <u>visiting our help desk</u>.)

NOTE: BE SURE TO SANITIZE EVERYTHING THAT WILL COME INTO CONTACT WITH YOUR BEER.

## Step 2: BREWING

Brewing cider is the process of combining a source of sugars with yeast. Once combined, the yeast eats the sugars, producing alcohol and carbon dioxide (CO2). This process is called fermentation.





- 1. Using the sanitized measuring cup, pour 4 cups of water into your clean 3-quart or larger pot. Add in the brown sugar. Bring water to a boil stirring constantly, then **remove from heat**.
- 2. Open both bottles of cider concentrate, pour the contents into the hot mixture. Stir until thoroughly mixed. This mixture of unfermented cider is called must.
- 3. Fill keg with cold tap water to the 4-quart mark on the back.
- 4. Pour the must into the keg, and then bring the volume of the keg to the 8.5-quart mark by adding more cold water. Stir vigorously with the spoon or whisk.
- 5. Sprinkle the yeast into keg, then screw on lid. Do not stir.
- 6. Put your keg in a location with a consistent temperature between **59°and 75° F** and out of direct sunlight. Ferment for 7-14 days.
- 7. After approximately 24 hours, you will be able to see the fermentation process happening by shining a flashlight into the keg. You'll see the yeast in action in the must. The liquid will be opaque and milky, you will see bubbles rising in the liquid, and there will be bubbles on the surface.
- 8. At the 1 week mark, sanitize your blender, purée both cans of fruit with the syrup, remove the lid of the fermenter and gently pour in the fruit purée, keeping splashing to a minimum.
- 9. Do NOT stir. Replace the lid.

Your fermentation will usually reach its peak in 2 to 5 days (this is also known as "high krausen"). You may see a layer of foam on top of the must, and sediment will accumulate at the bottom of the fermenter. This is totally normal. Complete fermentation will take approximately 2 weeks.

After high krausen the foam and activity will subside and your batch will appear to be dormant. Your cider is still fermenting. The yeast is still at work slowly finishing the fermentation process.

# **Step 3: BOTTLING AND CARBONATING**

Follow the steps outlined in your Mr. Beer Kit Instructions. (You can find a copy of these instructions by visiting our help desk.)