



Holiday Cheer Christmas Beer

Homebrew Competition



Ho Ho Homebrewers!

Here's a yuletide present for you - an American Homebrewers Association-sanctioned event for holiday beers. Hosted by BierWerks Brewery in Woodland Park, CO, **entries will be accepted for one category only - 21.B, (Spice, Herb and Vegetable) Christmas/Winter Specialty Spiced Beer.**

This contest is open to all amateur brewers. Two (2) bottles of your beer must be submitted along with the completed entry form and a \$5 entry fee. **Checks should be made payable to Kristin Taylor.**

Deadline to enter is Dec. 15, 2011.

Bottles must be standardized to the current AHA competition requirements: 10-14 ounce bottles with no paper or inked labels or distinguishing marks on the bottle identifying the brewer. Each two (2) bottle entry must have identical labels attached with rubber bands and each entry must be accompanied by a completed recipe form.

Judging will be made in accordance with AHA and BJCP standards. Prizes will be awarded to the brewers of the top **four** beers. (Because it's the holidays, and hey, we're feeling generous.)



Submissions can be dropped off or mailed to the brewery between Dec. 10 and Dec. 15. Send entries to:

**Holiday Homebrew Contest
c/o BierWerks Brewery
121 E. Midland Avenue
Woodland Park, CO 80863**

WHAT IS A CHRISTMAS BEER?

Let's face it - this is one broad category. Ales and lagers, spices and dried fruits - this beer can be anything that recalls the flavors and scents of the holidays. According to style guidelines, these beers are often amber or darker, leaning towards the malty end of the spectrum. Spices and other adjuncts can range from molasses to mint to spruce.

A specific description can be found on the Beer Judge Certification Program web site here:

<http://www.bjcp.org/2008styles/style21.php#1b>

The BJCP describes it this way, in brief - "A stronger, darker, spiced beer that often has a rich body and warming finish suggesting a good accompaniment for the cold winter season."

Sounds fun, eh? And that's what this whole thing is about. A chance to have some fun, brew some beer and share it with friends.

*At Christmas play and make good cheer,
For Christmas comes but once a year.
~Thomas Tusser*

Beers will be judged Dec. 17, followed by a special brewers and drinkers holiday party at 6 p.m. at BierWerks.

Bierwerks is located at the corner of U.S. Highway 24 (Midland Ave.) and Fairview Street, across from the Rocky Mountain Dinosaur Resource Center.

For further information call 719-248-4866, or go online to www.grandturk.org/holiday



AHA/BJCP Sanctioned Competition Program ENTRY/RECIPE FORM



Brewer(s) Information.....

Name(s) _____ Street Address _____
 City _____ State _____ ZIP/Postal Code _____
 Phone (h) (____) _____ Phone (w) (____) _____ Email Address _____
 Club Name (if appropriate) _____

Entry Information.....

Name of Brew _____ Category (No.) _____ Subcategory (A-F) _____
 Category/Subcategory (print full names) _____

- For Mead and Cider For Mead
- Still Dry Hydromel (light mead)
- Petillant Semi-Sweet Standard Mead
- Sparkling Sweet Sack (strong mead)

Special Ingredients/Classic Style

(required for categories 6D, 16E, 17F, 20, 21, 22B, 22C, 23, 25C, 26A, 26C, 27E, 28B-D)

Ingredients and Procedures.....

Number of U.S. gallons brewed for this recipe _____

WATER TREATMENT Type/Amount _____

YEAST CULTURE Liquid Dried

Did you use a starter? Yes No

Type _____

Brand _____

Amount _____

YEAST NUTRIENTS Type/Amount _____

CARBONATION forced CO₂ Bottle Conditioned

Volumes of CO₂ _____

Type/Amount of Priming Sugar _____

BOILING TIME _____ Hrs. _____ Min.

SPECIFIC GRAVITIES Original _____

Terminal _____

FERMENTATION Duration (days) Temperature (°F)

Primary _____

Secondary _____

Other _____

BREWING DATE _____

BOTTLING DATE _____

FERMENTABLES (MALT, MALT EXTRACT, ADJUNCTS, HONEY OR OTHER SUGARS)

AMOUNT (LB.)	TYPE/BRAND	USE (MASH/STEEP)

HOPS

AMOUNT (OZ.)	PELLETS OR WHOLE?	TYPE	%A ACID	USE (BOIL STEEP, DRY, ETC.)	MIN. FROM END OF BOIL

MASH SCHEDULE

STEP	TEMPERATURE	TIME

Finings

Type _____

Amount _____

Please use the back of this form for brewer's specifics.



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BOTTLE IDENTIFICATION FORM



The American Homebrewers Association
www.beertown.org

BOTTLE ID FORM . . .

Name _____

Street Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Phone Number _____

Email Address _____

Name of Beer _____

Category Entered _____

Subcategory Entered _____

Homebrew Club _____

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