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Savis Sweet Traditional Mead

99-936-Sweet Original Gravity : 1.096 Alcohol by Volume : 9.29% Final Gravity : 1.024 Difficulty : Advanced

Fermentables : 15 Lbs Wildflower Honey,

Additives : Potassium Metabisulfite, Pectic Enzyme, Go Ferm, Diammonium Phosphate, Fermaid K, Potassium Sorbate Suggested Yeast : White Labs Sweet Mead Yeast, White Labs Champagne Yeast, Lalvin 71B-1122, Lalvin EC-1118 Procedure : Please read all the instructions before you begin making your mead, to insure you have all the ingredients, and you fully understand the process.

- 1. Sanitation : It is important to thoroughly clean and sanitize all of your mead making equipment.
- 2. Add 3 Gallons of warm water to your fermenter. (170° is ideal) If using Spring Water (bottled water) skip Pack 1. If using Tap Water, add Pack 1. Wait 1 hour.
- 3. While waiting, heat 2.5 gallons of water In a Brew Pot to 170°. Remove from heat.
- 4. Add *Honey* to your Brew Pot, stir to dissolve the honey. Pour this into your fermenter.
- 5. Take a hydrometer reading at this time to record the Original Gravity.
- 6. Pitching Yeast : Add Pack 2 and stir gently.
 - a. Sprinkle or Pour the yeast on top, stir gently.
 - b. Affix the lid and airlock to the fermenter.
- 7. After 2 hours, stir vigorously and add Pack 3. Stir vigorously again.
- 8. Fermentation : Fermentation temperature should be between 65-75°F for the duration of fermentation. Be sure to keep your fermentor off of cold floors and away from fluctuating temperatures. Fermentation begins, usually within 24 to 48 hours.
- 9. After 24 hours, stir vigorously and add Pack 4. Stir vigorously again.
- 10. After 48 hours, stir vigorously and add Pack 5. Stir vigorously again.
- 11. After 72 hours, stir vigorously and add Pack 6. Stir vigorously again.
- 12. Secondary : In 3 to 4 weeks, transfer to a secondary fermenter, use caution not to transfer any sediment.
- 13. After 2 to 3 months, the mead should be clear. Before you proceed to the bottling step, ensure fermentation is complete via use of Hydrometer reading.
- 14. Bottling : Rack into your bottling bucket. Add Pack 7*, Add Pack 8* and stir vigorously to dissipate sulphites. It is now ready to bottle.

*If a Sparkling Mead is desired, Do Not Add Pack 7 or Pack 8. Then follow normal bottling procedures for beer. Be sure to cool the must below 100° if the fermenter is glass.

This handcrafted mead will taste best after six months of age in the bottle.

