BEEKEEPER’S SAISON

The agrarian roots of honey beer shine through in this uniquely expressive Saison, with notes of black pepper, exotic spice, a long dry finish, and boastful fruity yeast aromatics. Beekeeper’s Saison embodies the history of farmhouse brewing with traditional pilsner malt, noble hops and classic French Saison yeast all held together with a dollop of honey. A perfect beer for spring and summer, saisons have a tolerance for higher fermentation temperatures, and even get better the warmer they ferment!

KIT INVENTORY

MALT EXTRACTS
6 lbs Pilsen Malt Syrup

OTHER INGREDIENTS
1 lb Light Amber Honey
0 min

PREMIUM HOPS
1 oz Kent Golding 60 min
1 oz Kent Golding 10 min

SUGGESTED YEAST

YEAST

DRY YEAST:
Fermentis Safale BE-134
Optimum Temp: 64°- 82°F

LIQUID YEAST OPTIONS:
Omega Yeast OYL-026 French Saison
Optimum temp: 65°- 77°F

Imperial Yeast B64 Napoleon
Optimum temp: 65°- 78°F

BEFORE BREW DAY

• Upon arrival, unpack kit.
• Read all instructions before starting.
• Be sure you have all items listed in the Kit Inventory.
• Refrigerate liquid yeast.
• If making a yeast starter, we suggest 24-48 hrs.
• Contact us if you have any questions or concerns.

YOU WILL NEED

• Homebrewing equipment for brewing 5 gallon batches.
• Boiling kettle (at least 3.5 gallons capacity).
• Approx. 2 cases of 12 oz or 22 oz pry-off beer bottles.
• Optional - 5 gallon carboy, with bung and airlock, to use as secondary fermentor.

A FEW HOURS BEFORE BREW DAY

Remove liquid yeast packages from the refrigerator. Allow to warm to your desired fermentation temperature (~70°F). Check yeast instructions on packet.

BREWING NOTES

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KEY STATS

Brew Day Date:__________________________
Secondary:______________________________
Important Additions:_____________________
Bottling/Kegging:_______________________
Fermentation Temp:_____________________
Yeast Strain #:__________________________
Measured OG:__________ FG:___________

O.G.  ABV  IBU  BREW TIME: 6 WEEKS
1.050  5.4%  27  Primary: 2 Weeks
         Secondary: 2 Weeks
                          Bottle Conditioning: 2 Weeks
ON BREWING DAY

1. Heat 2.5 gal of water.
2. Please note there are no steeping grains in this recipe.
3. Bring to a boil. Remove the kettle from burner and stir in **6 lbs Pilsen Light Malt Syrup**.
4. Return to boil. The mixture is now called “wort”, the brewer’s term for unfermented beer. **NOTE:** Total boil time is 60 min.
   - Add **1 oz Kent Goldings** at the start of boil
   - Add **1 lb Light Amber Honey** with 0 min. remaining
5. Cool wort. When the 60 minute boil is finished, cool wort to approximately 70°F as rapidly as possible. Use a wort chiller, or put kettle in an ice bath in your sink.

6. Sanitize fermenting equipment and yeast pack. While wort cools, sanitize fermenting equipment (fermenter, lid or stopper, airlock, funnel, etc) along with yeast packs.
7. Fill primary fermenter with 2 gal cold water, then pour in cooled wort. Leave any thick sludge in bottom of kettle.
8. Add more cold water as needed to bring volume to 5 gal.
9. Aerate wort: Seal fermenter and rock back and forth to splash for a few mins, or use an aeration system and diffusion stone.
10. Measure the wort’s specific gravity with a hydrometer. Record.
11. Add yeast once temperature of the wort is 70°F or lower. Sanitize and open yeast pack. Carefully pour contents into primary fermenter.
12. Seal fermenter. Add approx. 1 tbsp of water to sanitized fermentation lock. Insert airlock into rubber stopper or lid. Seal fermenter.
13. Move fermenter to a cool, dark, spot until fermentation begins.

PRIMAR Y FERMENTATION

14. **Within 48 hours Active fermentation begins.**
   You’ll see a cap of foam on the surface of the beer. Specific gravity as measured with a hydrometer will drop steadily. You may see bubbles in the fermentation lock. The optimum temp. for this beer is 68°–75°F.
15. **Within 2 weeks Active fermentation ends.**
   Proceed to next step when:
   - Cap of foam falls back into the beer.
   - Bubbling in airlock slows down or stops.
   - Specific gravity as measured with a hydrometer is stable.

BOTTLING DAY (ABOUT 4 WEEKS AFTER BREWING DAY)

18. Sanitize siphoning and bottling equipment.
19. Mix a priming solution (sugar dissolved in water; carbonates bottled beer). Use the following amounts, depending on which type of sugar you use:
   - Corn sugar (dextrose) 2/3 cup in 16oz water.
   - Table sugar (sucrose) 5/8 cup in 16oz water.
   Bring solution to a boil. Pour into bottling bucket.
20. Siphon beer into bottling bucket and mix with priming solution. Stir gently to mix - do not splash.

SECONDARY FERMENTATION (OPTIONAL)

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16. Sanitize siphoning equipment, airlock, carboy bung or stopper. Siphon beer from primary fermenter into secondary. (optional - see above)
17. Allow the beer to condition for 2 weeks before proceeding with the next step. Timing is now somewhat flexible.

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22. Condition bottles at room temp. for 1–2 weeks. After this point, store bottles cool or cold.
23. Serving: Pour into a clean glass. Be careful to leave any sediment at the bottom of the bottle. Cheers!

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