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Christmas jam

This is a delicious special occasion jam! It isn't very thick. But, if you'd like a thicker jam, I suggest putting the crushed strawberries and the sugar in the pan to boil down a bit before adding the cranberries and oranges. Pick up the procedure at step 6.

- 1 lb strawberries, frozen
- 2 cups cranberries
- 1 large orange, unpeeled
- 3 cups sugar

1 pouch liquid pectin (Certo)

2 tbsp orange-flavoured liqueur or concentrated frozen orange juice

Procedure

- 1 Sterilize 6 1-cup Mason jam jars. (See "Tips.")
- 2 Prepare canner. Fill with boiling water -- enough to hold the jars and have the water at least 1" above the top of the jars. Place snap lids of Mason jars in boiling water for 5 minutes.
- 3 Roughly chop the strawberries in the food processor. Place in large saucepan.
- 4 Cut the orange into quarters, removing the pits.
- 5 Coarsely chop the orange in the food processor and then add the cranberries and chop. Add to saucepan.
- ⁶ Stir in sugar. Bring to full boil on high heat. Constantly stir the fruit and sugar mixture. Boil hard for 2 minutes. Remove from heat.
- 7 Add pectin and liqueur or concentrated orange juice.
- 8 Fill jars to within ¹/₂" of top. If the jars are hot, adding the hot jam should not break the glass. Wipe tops clean and place lids and rings on the jars.
- 9 Place jars in canner (making sure they are not touching each other), leaving at least 1" of water above the jars. Return water to the boil. When boiling, process for 5 minutes.
- 10Remove jars from the canner. Allow to cool for 24 hours. Make sure the lids are securing screwed down. Lids should be caved downward. Label jars.

Yield: 6 cups

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Old English marmalade

Kathleen Renn's recipe -- Nenny's sister

6	Seville oranges	51⁄2	lb	sugar
2	lemons	4	pints	water

Procedure

- 1 Wash oranges and lemons. Cut into halves and remove juice. Remove pips and centre of fruit put in cheese cloth bag to soak in ½ pint of water.
- 2 Put fruit through a mincer or food processor. Add to juice in a large bowl with 3½ pints of water and leave to soak for 24 hours.
- 3 Put fruit and water into a large saucepan and add water from the soaking pips. Simmer until liquid is reduced by half and peel is tender. This will take about 2 hours.
- 4 Add sugar gradually to the fruit, stirring all the time until the sugar is dissolved. Bring to boil quickly and keep at brisk boil for 10 12 minutes or until it reaches 221° on a jam thermometer. (Be careful because, as it boils, it rises a lot in the pan.)
- 5 Allow to cool slightly, stir and then put into warm, sterilized jars. Cover with wax.

Yield: 8 lb.

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Port wine jelly

Nenny's recipe. Serve with meat or cheese.

2 cups port (don't use Paul's special port!) lemon peel

3 cups sugar

1/2 bottle liquid pectin (Certo)

Procedure

1 Prepare jars by sterilizing them in the oven.(See "Tips.")

2 Heat port in double boiler. Add sugar and dissolve.

3 While hot, add liquid pectin.

4 Put 1 curl of lemon peel and 3 cloves in the bottom of each jar. Add jelly.

5 Allow to cool and put on the lids when set.

Three fruit marmalade

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Nenny used to make this marmalade often.

	oranges grapefruit juice	water sugar
1	lemon	

Procedure

- 1 Squeeze the juice from the fruit and thinly slice the peel.
- 2 Measure the juice and peel -- for every cup of fruit, add 2 cups of water. Let stand overnight.
- 3 Boil for ½ hour and measure again. (Should be about 6 cups of fruit.) For every cup of fruit, add 1½ cups of sugar.
- 4 Cook over low heat until sugar is dissolves. Bring to boil and cook approximately 30 minutes, until it is set. (Use a jam thermometer.)