

Lawnmower Ale — You can drink a few of this one and still cut the grass!

A true session beer. Very light bodied with a delicate bitterness. This thirst quencher can be consumed without the fear of getting intoxicated after two drinks!

BEER SPECS

Original Gravity: 1.032-1.036 Final Gravity: 1.007-1.011

IBU: 19-25

ABV%: 3.0% - 3.7% Yield: 5 Gallons

NOT INCLUDED IN KIT

Irish Moss (for clarity, optional)

Yeast

Bottle Caps (53 caps needed)

Priming Sugar (5oz or 3/4 cup)

Priming Sugar included in this kit as a fermentable. Additional priming sugar for bottling is not included.

USEFUL INFORMATION

Wort = unfermented beer

Rack = to transfer from one vessel to another

Pitch = to add yeast to the fermenter

OG = Original Gravity: Specific Gravity Before Fermentation

FG = Final Gravity: Specific Gravity After Fermentation

ABV = Alcohol by Volume

ABW = Alcohol by Weight

IBU = International Bittering Units

Alcohol by Volume Equation:

 $%ABW = (OG-FG) \times 105$ $%ABV = ABW \times 1.25$

RECIPE DETAILS

3.0 lbs. Light Dried Malt Extract 1.0 lb. Rice Syrup Solids

5.00 oz. Corn Sugar **FERMENTABLES**

1.00 oz. Mt. Hood hops, added at the beginning of 45 min boil Irish moss (optional), added 20 min from the end of the boil 1.0 tsp.

BOIL SCHEDULE

YEAST SUGGESTIONS: Wyeast #1056 American Ale, White Labs WLP001 California Ale, Safale05 Dry Yeast

EQUIPMENT

REQUIRED EQUIPMENT

- 3 gal or larger Brew Pot
- 6.5 gal Primary Fermenter
- Siphon Hose/Racking Cane
- Large Spoon or Paddle
- Air Lock
- Hydrometer
- Thermometer
- Cleanser
- Sanitizer
- Bottles or Kegging System

RECOMMENDED EQUIPMENT

- 7.5 gal Brew Pot
- Wort Chiller
- 5 gal Secondary Fermenter
- Thief
- Oxygen Cylinder
- Aeration Stone
- Auto Siphon





Brewing Instructions: Lawnmower Ale

PRIOR TO BREWING

- 1. Clean and Sanitize all equipment, tubing, etc.
- 2. If using liquid yeast, remove package from fridge and 'smack' the pack to release the nutrients. Allow pack to swell for 4-8 hours at room temperature.

BREWING DAY

- Rehydrate Irish Moss in 1/2 cup warm water, and set aside (optional, for clarity).
- Fill kettle with water and bring to a boil.
 - Partial boil method: fill kettle with as much water as possible while leaving room for malt extract and boil volume.
 - Full boil method: fill kettle to approximately 6.5 gal water for a volume of 5 gal post-boil.
- Once boil has been reached, remove kettle from the heat source, and add 3 lbs. Light Dried Malt Extract. Mix the Dried Malt Extract thoroughly with the water, until all extract has been dissolved.
- 4. Put kettle back on heat source and return to a boil. WATCH OUT! Just before reaching a boil, the wort rises rapidly.
- 5. Once boil has been reached, add Mt. Hood hops.
- 6. After 35 minutes, add Rice Syrup Solids and Corn Sugar and stir until dissolved.
- 7. Boil for 10 minutes more.
- 5. At end of boil, chill wort as quickly as possible to 60-70F with a wort chiller or an ice bath. Place lid on kettle while chilling.
- 6. Siphon or pour cooled wort into fermenter leaving as much sediment behind as possible:
 - Partial Boil: Add sterile water (packaged drinking water) to fermenter to reach 5.25
 - Full Boil: Siphon entire volume of wort into fermenter.
- 8. Aerate wort well by stirring, shaking or oxygenating.
- Sanitize yeast package and use sanitized scissors to open package. Pitch yeast and attach airlock. If using a yeast starter, pitch entire contents of yeast starter into wort.
- 10. Move fermenter to a dark place with a steady temperature of 64-72F. (If using a lager yeast, ferment at 54-58F)

FERMENTATION

- 1. Primary Fermentation: Allow beer to ferment for 8-10 days. If using a secondary fermenter, only ferment for 4-6 days then proceed to STEP 2.
- Secondary Fermentation (optional): Transfer beer to a 5 gal carboy, leaving behind the sediment. Allow beer to ferment in carboy for an additional 4-7 days.
- 3. Check gravity prior to proceeding with bottling to ensure fermentation is complete. (Reference Final Gravity under 'Recipe Details')

BOTTLING

- Ensure there is no bubbling in the airlock, and that your beer has reached final gravity.
- Clean and sanitize all bottles, caps, bottling equipment and bottling bucket.
- Dissolve 3/4 cup (5 oz) priming sugar in 2 cups boiling water. Boil for 5 min then chill to 70-80F and add to bottling bucket.
- Siphon beer from fermenter into bottling bucket, being careful not to rouse up sediment on bottom of fermenter.
- Stir thoroughly but gently to avoid introducing oxy-
- Using the bottle filler, fill bottles and cap them.
- Store bottles at room temperature for 2 weeks or until carbonated.

TIPS FOR SUCCESS

- Clean AND Sanitize!
- 2. Avoid using softened water or Reverse Osmosis wa-
- 3. Turn off heat source and stir well while adding malt extract and rice syrup solids to avoid scorching on the bottom of the kettle.
- 4. Keep a spray bottle of water at hand to spray top of wort if it nears a boil over.
- 5. While racking, be sure not to introduce oxygen into your beer by splashing or shaking.
- 6. Maintain a constant temperature during fermentation.
- 7. Visit www.greatfermentations.com for more brewing tips and tricks.



