



Vanilla Imperial Stout



**Tyler's elixir
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Ingredients:

Malt Base

12 Lbs Dark LME, 8 oz Malto Dextrin

Specialty Grains: 1LB Chocolate, 8 oz Carafo II, 8 oz 60L Crystal

Hops: 8 HBU Cluster Hop Pellets

Other: 3 Vanilla Beans, Muslin Bag, Bottle Caps, Priming Sugar

Suggested Yeast: Wyeast 1056 American Ale Yeast, White Labs California

Instructions:

1. Remove crushed grains from package and put in muslin bag. Tie bag at end to allow maximum circulation. Place in **minimum** 2.5 gallon cold water, slowly bring to approx. 160 deg., hold temp for 10 min. Discard grain, add gypsum if water is soft.
2. Add Malt extract, stir well to dissolve. Bring to a boil, add bittering hops, and boil for 60 min. Remove from heat.
3. Pour unfermented beer (wort) slowly into fermentation vessel containing enough cold water to total 5 gallons.
4. Let temperature drop to approx. 80 degrees. Take hydrometer reading, sprinkle or "pitch" yeast on top. Affix cover and airlock to fermenter and stabilize temp. at approx. 67 – 70 degrees.
5. Airlock should be active within 24 hours, with fermentation slowing down by the end of day 7, the clearing stage is beginning. Siphon beer into clean carboy, [*Steep 3 **Vanilla Beans** (split and cut into 1" pieces) at 170 degrees for 20 minutes add to secondary for 2 weeks*] and affix airlock and cover to keep light out and let clear for approx. 7 days.
6. When ready to bottle, boil priming sugar in approx. 1 cup water for 1 minute, add to bottom of bottling bucket, then siphon beer into the same bucket (take final hydrometer reading while siphoning into bucket). Fill bottles to 1 " from top of bottle and cap.
7. Store beer at 67 – 70 degrees for 7 – 10 days minimum.

S.G.: 1.089

F.G.: 1.023