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Spiced Orange Jelly

Yield: About 4 half-pint jars

- 2 cups orange juice (juice from about 5 medium oranges)
- 1/3 cup lemon juice (juice from about 2 medium lemons)
- 2/3 cup water
- 1 package powdered pectin
- 2 Tablespoons orange peel, finely chopped
- 1 teaspoon whole allspice
- ½ teaspoon whole cloves
- 4 sticks cinnamon, 2 inches long
- 3½ cups sugar



Mix orange juice, lemon juice, and water in a large saucepan. Stir in pectin. Place orange peel, allspice, loves, and cinnamon sticks loosely in a clean white cloth; tie with a string and add to fruit mixture. Place on high heat and, stirring constantly, bring quickly to a full rolling boil that cannot be stirred down. Add sugar, continue stirring, and heat again to a full rolling boil. Boil hard for 1 minute. Remove from heat. Remove spice bag and skim off foam quickly.

Ladle hot jelly immediately into jars leaving ¼ inch headspace. Wipe rims of jars. Adjust two-piece metal canning lids. Place jars in a Boiling Water Canner (BWC) or Atmospheric Steam Canner (ASC). For BWC, cover the tops of the jars with at least 1-2 inches of water. For ASC, fill canner according to directions. Water should be heated to 140 degrees for both canners. Process jars for 10 minutes after water comes to a boil in BWC or to Steam Temperature per directions for ASC. After processing time is complete, turn off the heat, remove canner lid and let the jars remain for additional 5 minutes. Remove jars to cool for 12-24 hours. Wash jars and under ring bands. Dry well before storing in dark, cool location.

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