

**Computer**

**Aided**

**Recipe**

**Design**

This document will hopefully help people to design their own beer, wine, cider, cocktails & jam recipes, most of the mathematics will be performed by the free “YoBrew Calc’s v1.6” which can be downloaded via this link [Free Beer & Wine Calculators](#). The calculators are available in the Microsoft Office (.XLS, these files can also be opened/saved in Microsoft Office 2010 etc.), the other “office” such as Ashampoo “PlanMaker” & “LibreOffice” etc, should work without too many problems.

NOTE:- These are just examples of recipe design, DO NOT assume that they will give drinkable results!

Versions 1.6 of the calculators are used.

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## SPREADSHEET NOTES

A spreadsheet is simply a grid made up of re-sizeable (horizontal) rows numbered "1, 2, 3, ..." etc. & (vertical) columns lettered "A, B, C, ....., AA, AB, ..." etc. Each rectangle or CELL has its own "Map reference" i. e. **Q28**, where **Q** refers to the relevant column & **28** to the relevant row. The cells can be used to store numbers, letters &, most importantly, they are able to perform mathematical functions (sums - i.e. add-ups, takeaways, timeses, guzinta's\* etc.). Luckily all we have to do is insert or delete numbers, once we have altered a cell, just press the return or enter keys, or click the left mouse button (LMB) & the change takes place.

The screenshot below hopefully explains some of the above terms.

The screenshot shows the Microsoft Excel interface with the following annotations:

- Active Cell:** Cell F22 is highlighted with a thick black border. Annotation: "Shows the 'active cell' 'F22' (above)".
- Formula Bar:** Contains the formula  $=C22*D22/E22$ . Annotations: "Formula Bar (above)", "The '=' sign tells us that the cell contains a mathematical formula", " $(C22*D22)/E22$  tells us that the formula is  $(8 \times 3) / 2$ ", "12" in cell F12 is the formula result".
- Grid:** Columns A-Q and rows 1-30 are visible. Annotations: "Hidden Rows (14-16)", "Thick black outline denotes the 'cell' is 'active'".
- Column O:** Highlighted in orange. Annotation: "This is Column 'O'".
- Row 26:** Highlighted in pink. Annotation: "This is Row '26'".
- Cell Q28:** Highlighted in red. Annotation: "This is Cell 'Q28'".
- Other UI Elements:** "Screen magnification" (100%), "Undo & Re-do Buttons", and various menu items (File, Edit, View, Insert, Format, Tools, Data, Window, Help).

\* Guzinta - for those of you who are not mathematically/technically minded, 3 guzinta 15 five times!



# WINE RECIPE DESIGN

Notes/Assumptions:-

- Version 1.6 of the “Wine Calc’s” are used.
- The calculators cannot tell you if the final product is good, bad or indifferent, it can only give approximate parameters.
- Approximately 5g or 1 tsp of Bentonite can be used at the start of fermentation to help clear the wine.
- Fermentation increases acidity by about 1.5%.
- The calculator figures shown in grey can be largely ignored.
- “Easy-to-use” quantities will be used where possible; i. e. fruit juices will be used from 1 litre Tetra Paks.

Here are some typical guidelines for several wine styles, they are not by any means “fixed”.

	AB	AC	AD	AE	AF	AG	AH	AI	AJ	AK	AL	AM	AN	AO	BB	BC	BD
1	<b>SOME TYPICAL WINE PARAMETERS</b> (If used, treat as a rough guide only, the figures below are VERY arbitrary). Adapted from "Must" by Professor Gerry Fowles.																
2	WINE TYPE	DRY WHITE	DRY RED	ROSÉ	SWEET WHITE	SWEET RED	DESSERT (FRUIT) (PORT)										
4	% ALC ABV	10-13	11-13	11-12	12-15	13-18	17-20	17-20	Many good wines could possibly not fit within these limits, but beware of any recipes displaying vast differences.								
5	% ACID	0.50-0.70	0.50-0.65	0.60-0.75	0.50-0.75	0.40-0.65	0.55-0.65	0.40-0.50									
6	% TANNIN	<0.04	0.09-0.3	0.04-0.09	<0.04	0.15-0.3	0.2-0.3	0.2-0.3									
7	STYLE	Dry	Med. Dry	Med.	Med. Sweet	Sweet	Dessert										
8	Ingredient:	Notes	% Sugar	% Acid	% Tannin	% "Carbs"	% Pectin	N (nit)	K (pot)	Mineral/Vit. mg/100g			Main Acid	The "Main Acid" is expressed as the equivalent amount of tartaric acid.			
9										B1	B3	B5	B6				

## CRANBERRY CLASSIC & GRAPPLE ROSÉ WINE

This is a good recipe to start because of its simplicity. Many recipes call for 3 litres of juice & that will be our starting point. Please note, just because this wine is relatively easy to make does not mean it is rubbish, far from it!

It is best to state with a clean sheet, literally & you will notice cell G5 is not zero; that is because fermentation produces some acidity.

Enter the name of the wine in cell G3 & the finished quantity of the wine, in our case 4.5 litres (six 750ml bottles) is entered into cell D7.

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	
	<b>Pete's Wine &amp; Cider Calculator</b>													
1														
2	1-4+17													
3	<b>SUMMARY FOR THE FINISHED WINE</b>						Name:-	<b>CRANBERRY CLASSIC &amp; GRAPPLE ROSÉ</b>						
4	O. G.			1000	ALCOHOL	0.0 % ABV (OR, after priming with 0.00g sugar per 750ml bottle. 0.0% ABV)								
5	F. G. (Before sweetening)			1000	ACIDITY	0.15 % (expressed in terms of the tartaric equivalent)								
6	F. G. (After sweetening)			1000	TANNIN	0.00 %								
7	Volume (finished/effective starting)			4.5 / 4.70 litres	STYLE	Medium dry / 2								
8	The latter figure includes left-over pulp, "wastage" & an allowance for any sweetening/priming sugars used.													
9														

Fermentation always causes losses, in this case through dead yeast cells & liquid losses through siphoning etc. This general wastage is assumed to be 200ml & unless a new figure is entered in cell K57. That is why that cell E7 is nominally “4.7”.

Now for the recipe. Using 1 litre (1000ml) each of supermarket apple juice, Cranberry Classic supermarket & red grape juice into cells. E117, E118 & in cell E120).

	Assumed Waste	JUICES (Check labels for sugar & preservatives)	Vol ml	g/100ml
115				
116				
117	0%	APPLE	1000	11
118	0%	CRANBERRY	1000	11.5
119	0%	GRAPE WHITE		15.6
120	0%	" RED	1000	15.6
121	0%	GRAPEFRUIT		9

In according with the information from the juice boxes, the sugar content of these is 11, 11.5 & 15.6g per 100ml respectively, so we can put this in the relevant cells ( F117, F118 & in cell F120) & enter Ensure that column E, rows 13-141 are otherwise left blank.

The % ABV (G4) is only 4.3 & I like my wines (personally) to be in the 11 – 11.5% range. In order to raise this, the OG (D4) must be increased by adding other substances. You will observe that the acidity (G5) & tannin (G6) are all in the same area as the table at the top of the page. Sugar only increases gravity, nothing else, so, I will try adding 500g to cell K12. Now cell D4 reads 1070 & G4 reads 10.1%.

Making the sugar content 600g raises the Original Gravity to (D4) 1078 & the alcohol to 11.3% ABV (cell G4).

Pectic needs to be added to stop pectin hazes forming (cell K24), one tsp added at the start should be sufficient. One tsp Bentonite MAY be added (cell K25) to help clear the wine.

### The Final Spreadsheet

### SWEET CRANBERRY CLASSIC & GRAPPLE ROSÉ WINE

Sweet wines can be made by at least four different ways.

1. Stop the fermentation when the wine reaches the desired gravity by adding potassium sorbate.
2. Sweeten the finished wine by using a propriety sweetener such as Xylitol.
3. When the must gravity falls to about 1005 or so, feed it with sugar. Repeat the process 'til you get the sweetness required & the must fermentation ceases.
4. Ferment the wine to dryness & add potassium sorbate. Then use the YoBrew calc's "Wine Calc" cell K42.

The addition of 100g sugar to cell K42 raises the FG to 1002, making the wine medium dry. When sweetening sugar is used, the volumes are automatically adjusted.

It is far better to design sweet wines rather than sweeten a finished dry wine as the Calc's allow for the sweetening sugar added as a syrup.

**IMPORTANT:-** Always add potassium sorbate (stabiliser) after racking & before adding any sweetening sugar, this prevents possible dangerous secondary fermentation in the bottle.

## CIDER RECIPE DESIGN

By definition Cyder is made from pure apple juice & Cider from apple juice, water, sugar etc. The easiest way to make cider is from a kit but these can be very variable in quality, some can be almost as bad as the highly commercial industrial stuff sold to-day which can contain all sorts of colourings, artificial sweeteners & other assorted chemicals.

Incidentally, the “budget” cider kits appear to use malt extract, it could be possibly cheaper &/or give a sweeter taste.

Notes/Assumptions:-

- Cider uses the version 1.6 of the “**Wine Calc's**”.
- Calculators cannot tell you if the final product is good, bad or indifferent, it can only give approximate parameters
- Fermentation increases acidity by about 1.5%.
- A mixture of different apple juices is generally believed to give better results than a single variety – do a tour of your local shops/supermarkets buying a 1 litre Tetra-Pak from each. Any wine or beer yeast may be used but Champagne is best in theory as gives smaller & more solid deposits in the bottle.
- All ciders will be dry, artificial sweeteners such as Saccharin or preferably proper wine sweeteners may be added.

### SIMPLE CIDER (STILL)

Again, for 4.5 litres bottled cider. 3 litres (3000ml) apple juice for example is entered into cell **E117** (supermarket type, no added chemicals or sugar & avoid anything with the word “drink” in their name).

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N
<b>Pete's Wine &amp; Cider Calculator</b>													
1													
2	T4"17												
3	<b>SUMMARY FOR THE FINISHED WINE</b>												
4				Name:-		<b>SIMPLE CIDER</b>							
5	O. G.			1026	ALCOHOL	3.7	% ABV	OR, after priming with 2.25g (0.71 level 5ml tsp) sugar per 750ml bottle. 3.9% ABV					
6	F. G. (Before sweetening)			998	ACIDITY	0.59	%	[expressed in terms of the tartaric equivalent]					
7	F. G. (After sweetening)			998	TANNIN	0.01	%						
8	Volume (finished/effective starting)			4.5	(4.70 litres)	STYLE	Dr/LJ						
9	The latter figure includes left-over pulp, "wastage" & an allowance for any sweetening/priming sugars used.												
115	Assumed	JUICES		Vol	g/100ml			Mullberry	74	9			
116	Waste	[Check labels for sugar & preservatives]		ml				Pineapple	35	3			
117	0%	APPLE		3000				Strawberry	58	4.9			

This gives 3.7% ABV but it could be made higher by adding sugar to cell **K13**, e.g. just 25g would give a modest increase of 0.3%.

Note the **RED** figures in cells **P32** & **U33**, this is caused by the cider being light in nutrients & the vitamin B6. The slight vitamin problem can be ignored or half of a Vit. B complex tablet added to **U33**.

Approx. 4.5ml (1 tsp) of nutrient can be added cell **K32** to correct this deficit.

Approx. 1 tsp of pectic enzyme is also required (cell **K24**). Also 1 tsp of Bentonite may be added to help clear the wine (**K25**).

G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U
<b>Pete's Wine &amp; Cider Calculator</b>														
1														
2														
3	<b>SIMPLE CIDER</b>													
4	4.0	% ABV	OR, after priming with 2.25g (0.71 level 5ml tsp) sugar per 750ml bottle. 4.3% ABV											
5	0.59	%	[expressed in terms of the tartaric equivalent]											
6	0.01	%												
7	Dr/LJ													
8														
9														
23														
24	PECTIC ENZYME (min)			3.2g = 0.6 tsp (approx.)										
25	BENTONITE			4.5g = 1.0 tsp (approx.)										
26														
27														
28														
29														
30														
31														
32														
33														
37														
38														

  

Approximate Must Totals (g)					
Weight	Sugars	Acid	Tannin	"Carbs"	Pectin
3000	355	20.7	0.30	3.3	0.50

  

Nutrient & Vitamin Section (mg)					
N	K	B1	B5	B6	B6
0	3450	0.60	3.00	1.47	0.90
705	2585	0.47	0.94	0.94	0.94
705	865				0.04
		0.13	2.06	0.53	

(Assume 1 level 5ml tsp nutrient & 1 vit. B tablet ≈ 1 rounded tsp "Energiser")

**Red figures denote deficiencies**

## CIDER not CIDRE (Fizzy)

Priming a live beer, wine or cider etc. gives it some “fizz”. Over priming can be very dangerous, especially if glass bottles are used, so, ensure the bottles are sound & capable of standing pressure. Most beers & ciders are primed with one or two level 5ml tsp per litre, this work out about 1.7-2.5 volumes of CO<sub>2</sub>, this equates to about 17-28 psi.

Still using the Simple Cider above, we can progress to cell H77, “PRIMING CIDERS & SPARKLING WINES” section. So, if we like our very drinks fizzy, we can enter 6.3g (max. = 2 level 5ml tsp) in cell K79.

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R		
<b>Pete's Wine &amp; Cider Calculator</b>																			
1																			
2	T4:T7																		
3	<b>SUMMARY FOR THE FINISHED WINE</b>																		
4	O. G.		1028	Name:-		CIDER not CIDRE (Fizzy)											EDITIBLE CELL. Insert you		
5	F. G. (Before sweetening)		998	ALCOHOL		4.0	% ABV	OF, after priming with 4.73g (1.50 level 5ml tsp) sugar per 750ml bottle. 4.4% ABV										EDITIBLE CELL. No inform	
6	F. G. (After sweetening)		998	ACIDITY		0.59	%	(expressed in terms of the tartaric equivalent)										NON-EDITIBLE. Alternative	
7	Volume (finished effective starting)		4.5 (4.70 litres)	TANNIN		0.01	%											NON-EDITIBLE. The cell vs	
8	The latter figure includes left-over pulp, "wastage" & an allowance for any sweetening/priming sugars used.			STYLE		Dry / J												NON-EDITIBLE. The cell vs	
9																			
76	15%	RASPBERRY	-																
77	17%	RED CURRANT	-																
78	20%	RHUBARB ▼	FLESH																
79	0%	"	JUICE																
80				Assume that 'K' gives		750 ml juice													
81				0g rhubarb flesh gives 0ml juice.															
82				0ml juice requires 0g rhubarb flesh.															
83	▼ Technically rhubarb is a vegetable. DO NOT USE ALUMINIUM utensils as the acids present in this vegetable will react with this & may ultimately lead to Alzheimer's disease.																		
84																			
85	17%	SLOE	-																
86																			
<b>PRIMING CIDERS &amp; SPARKLING WINES</b>																			
To be used for UNSWEETENED ciders, meads & sparkling wines ONLY.																			
PRIMING SUGAR <input type="text" value="6.3"/> g/litre, this is equivalent to 2.00 level 5ml tsp for a 1000ml bottle or 28.35g for 4.5 litres.																			
OF, for a bottle sized 750 ml, use 4.73g, this is equivalent to 1.50 level 5ml tsp per bottle.																			
Brewing/Resting temp <input type="text" value="20"/> °C (Max. 30)																			
Carbonation (Volumes CO <sub>2</sub> ) 2.53 NOTE: - I would recommend 4 volumes as the absolute maximum for wines & use 1.7-2.6																			
Carbonation PSI 28.1 OR 1.91 Atm. OR 1.94 Bar.																			
O. G. (After priming) 1031																			
F. G. (After priming) 997																			
ALCOHOL (After priming) 4.4 % ABV																			
Ensure cell K42 is clear (Presently set to 0)																			

Note that the alcohol (after priming) goes up from 4% to 4.4% (cells I4-N4). The acidity & the tannin levels are not affected.

## A Few Possible Variations

Some of the apple juice could be replaced by pear juice, replacing it all would make “Perry”. Unfortunately I have no reliable information regarding pear juice & so it is not included in the spreadsheet but normally the apple juice is replaced by an equal amount of pear juice. I have even seen recipes containing both juices.

Petals from an aromatic, fully opened rose, picked on a good sunny day, can be added around day 4, giving a little subtlety to the bouquet & flavour, elderflowers can also be used, but be careful as they are very strongly flavoured & can easily become over-powering.

A Mallard quacking up!



## BEER RECIPE DESIGN

The beer calculator can entail some messing around to get the required result, so, to quote a well known saying, patience is a virtue.

Notes/Assumptions:-

- Cider uses the version 1.6 of the “Beer Calc’s” (“Extract Calc” page).
- Calculators cannot tell you if the final product is good, bad or indifferent, they can only give approximate parameters.
- The calculator figures shown in grey can be largely ignored.

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K												
1	T4"17	<b>BJCP Beer Styles</b>																					
2																							
3		<b>APPROXIMATE BEER COLOUR CHART</b>																					
4																							
5		Beer Judge see: <a href="http://www.PetePils.com.uk">www.PetePils.com.uk</a>																					
6																							
7		<b>EBC</b>	4	8	12	16	20	24	28	32	36	40	44	48	52	56	60	64	68	72	76	80	
8			Viewed through a 25mm glass.																				
9		<b>SRM</b>	2	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20	22	24	26	28	30	33	35	37	39	41	
10			Viewed through a 1/2 inch glass.																				
11		<b>STYLE</b>	<b>OG</b>	<b>FG</b>	<b>ABV%</b>	<b>Bitterness</b>	<b>Colour</b>						<b>Colour</b>										
12						<b>EBU/</b>	<b>SRM</b>						<b>EBC</b>										
13						<b>IBU</b>	<b>Min. Max.</b>						<b>Min. Ma</b>										
51		<b>8. ENGLISH PALE ALE</b>																					
52		A. Standard/Ordinary Bitter	1032-40	1007-11	3.2-3.8	25-35	4	14						8	28								
53		B. Special/Best/Premium Bitter	1040-48	1008-12	3.8-4.6	25-40	5	16						10	31								
54		C. Extra Special/Strong Bitter	1048-60+	1010-16	4.6-6.2	30-50+	6	18						12	35								

I suppose the first step in any recipe design is to choose a beer style, there is a "BJCP" (Beer Judge Certification Program - American) page in the YoBrew Calculator which defines all (?) beer styles. I

would hate to think how many traditional British beers fail to fit into their allocated category but at least a guideline is available. For this example I decided on Special/Best/Premium Bitter (B53 etc.)

### MY BITTER

From my friendly neighbourhood home brew shop, I buy three 500g bags of light dry malt extract (DME), a 500g bag crushed crystal malt (I have assumed this to be "light"), 50g of (typical British) Challenger hops (the packet is marked "7.5% Alpha Acid" or similar) & a sachet of Ale yeast. Using the "Extract Calc" the malt quantities are entered accordingly, note the "Targets" cells (J9-J17) are there just as a reminder.

Note that cell D69 (Priming sugar – used at the bottling stage) is set at 3.15g (or 1 level 5ml tsp) per litre, a good starting point, its effect can be seen in cells I9-I12.

Ignoring the hop/bitterness figures for now, the results are nothing like the BJCP figures at the top of the page. Starting with the O.G. (Original Gravity after priming- cell I9), this can be increased by increasing the malts, adding sugar or decreasing our volume. Cell D5 shows that we are initially making 23 litres or about 40.5UK pints, if

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J																		
1	T4"17	<b>Pete's Malt Extract Calc</b> Incorporating David's Dry Enzyme C.																										
2																												
3																												
4		<b>Figures used in all calculations</b> <a href="#">To amend/modify any data, please refer to the "Technical Section".</a>																										
5		Initial vol.	23	litres = 40.48 UK/48.58 US pt							Brewing/resting temp																	
6		Extract Efficiency	25	% (Used for roasted malts - 75% nominally)																								
7																												
8		<b>SUMMARY FOR My Bitter</b>																										
9		D.G. (exc. primer)	1028.1	"Effective" D.G. (inc. primer)	1029.3	40																						
10		F.G. (exc. primer)	1006.8	"Effective" F.G. (inc. primer)	1006.7	8																						
11		% Alcohol (exc. primer)	2.8	% Alcohol (inc. primer)	3.0	3.8																						
12		Carbonation Vol's CO <sub>2</sub> (exc. primer)	0.88	Carbonation (inc. primer)	1.70	1.7																						
13		Total "sugars" (exc. primer)	Ug	Total "sugars" (inc. primer)	72g																							
14		Bitterness - Method (1a)	0.0 EBU	Actual BU/BU Ratio = 0.00 (Too Malty?)	30																							
15		- OR Method (1b)	0.0 EBU	Actual BU/GU Ratio = 0.00 (Too Malty?)	(Very Hoppy)																							
16		- OR Method (2)	0.0 EBU	Actual BU/GU Ratio = 0.00 (Too Malty?)																								
17		Colour	23 EBC	OR 12 SRM	20																							
18																												
19		<b>EBC</b>	4	8	12	16	20	24	28	32	36	40	44	48	52	56	60	64	68	72	76	80						
20		<b>SRM</b>	2	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20	22	24	26	28	30	33	35	37	39	41						
40		<b>DRY - UNHOPPED</b>																										
41		Extra Light																						Magnum	13.5			
42		Light																							North Brewer	7.5		
43		Medium																							Northdown	9.25		
44		Dark																							Perle	6.5		
45		Wheat (55%)																							Pilgrim	11		
46		OTHER																							Progress	6.2		
47																									Saaz	2.2		
48																									Spalter Select	4.7		
49																									Styrian Goldings	4.5		
50		<b>DRY - HOPPED (Method 2 is recommended)</b>																										
51		Light																							Target	11.2		
52		OTHER																							Tetnanger	5		
53																									WGVI	6.3		
54		Coloured Malts (Crushed)																							Other (4)			
55		Black																							Other (3)			
56		Chocolate																							Other (2)			
57		Crystal (light)																							Other (1)			
58		Crystal (medium)																							Summertime hop extract (ml)			
59		Crystal (dark)																							See cells M105 etc. for the iso			
60		Roast barley																							Boil vol. (litres)			
61		OTHER																							Boil gravity			
62																									Boil time (mins)			
63		Sugars (normally 30% max.)																							Boil bitterness added			
64		Cane/beet sugar (sucrose)																							% Utilization (normally adj. to 20)			
65		Brown sugar (light)																							Bitterness from added hops (EBU)			
66		Brown sugar (medium)																							Malt/iso-hop extract bitterness			
67		Lactose																							Total bitterness			
68		Added sugar (sucrose) equiv.	0	g or 4% of the total sugars.																					When hopped extract &/or iso-h is NOT required.			
69		Generally 41% is considered the Max. equiv. to 30% by weight if using malt.																							See the Hop Settings			
70		Priming sugar (sucrose, 1tsp = 3.15g)	3.15	g/litre																						The hop calculations use the Glk about 10% more. When using ho		
71		This is equivalent to	1.00	level 5ml tsp/litre																								
72		OR, for a	500	ml bottle																								
73		use	1.58g	or 0.50 level 5ml tsp.																							The length of the boil time is a fac	
74		Carbonation (Volumes CO <sub>2</sub> )	1.70	Total vol.	2072	674																				flavour is said to reach a maximu		
75		For more information about "carbonation" see "Beer Primer" page.																										
76		Yeast Efficiency % (atten.)	76	(76% nominally)																								Therefore the hop bitterness, fla
77		Yeast used	Ale	Check	100%	100%																						

we reduce this to 17 litres then our gravity will increase to about 1040, perfectly acceptable but we want to keep the volume at 23 litres. The “Colour” (cell D17) is just over the high end at 32 EBC (European Brewing Convention), we could reduce the crystal malt (D58) to say 250g, but this will also reduce our OG & thus the alcohol content. We now have to concentrate on the alcohol (I11) but we could try 1000g “Cane sugar” in cell D63, the calculator now estimates 5.1% ABV in cell I11, this is a little too high for the style. The % ABV can be reduced to 4 if we set D63 to 500g.

If we decide that this is near enough for us then we can concentrate on the “Bitterness”. There are three ways of calculating bitterness, using slightly thee different brewing methods, they appear under cells K25-S25. NOTE:- the crystal malt (cell ) has been set to “250 for the following examples”.

**METHOD 1a.**

The sugar is added after the boil. (This means that any sugars will be added to the fermenter - NOT the boiler.)

In cell K33 we enter our Challenger hop weight of 50g. Cell L65 gives us the bitterness of 32.8EBU (European Bitterness Units), but only IF cell K62 reads “20”% utilization this is set by cells K58 & K60 (the boil volume & boil time). This figure is inside the limits of 25-40 EBU. To alter the bitterness we could add more hops (cell K25), alternatively we could amend the boil vol. (K58) or the boil time (K60).

e's Malt Extract Calculator									
Incorporating David's Dry Enzyme Calc's									
to the "Technical Section".									
Brewing/fersting temp 20 °C (Max. 30)									
Denotes "editable" cells, add your own data.									
Targets									
CALORIE/CARBOHYDRATE/UNIT DATA									
This is mainly for diabetes sufferers. All the figures are approximate.									
Metric measures UK measures US measures									
For a bottle/glass size of 500 ml 1 pint 12 fl oz									
Calories from the alcohol 108 123 77									
Cals from the resid. sugar 52 59 37									
Carbohydrates 13.6 g 15.4 g 9.6 g									
Total calories 160 182 114									
Units of alcohol (UK) 2.0 2.2 1.4									
EBC									
Converts PALE malt to wet/dry ext. Wet/dry malt extract wt. converter									
Wet Malt wt. Dry Wet/dry Ext. wt. g Dry									
726 1000 616 1786 1500 1274									
owing to the different processes used, this calc. is "STAND ALONE".									
METHOD 1									
Hops boiled with all the malts (1a) & with/without sugar (1b).									
METHOD 2									
Hops boiled with "coloured malts" only (2)									
Sugar added at									
end of the boil (1a) start of the boil (1b) coloured malts only (2)									
1st hop hop wt 3rd hop 1st hop hop wt 3rd hop 1st hop 2nd hop 3rd hop									
Wt (g) (g) Wt (g) Wt (g) (g) Wt (g) Wt (g) Wt (g)									
Hops % AA									
Admiral 14.5									
Brambling Cross 6.2									
Bullion 8									
Cascade 7.4									
Challenger 7.5									
EKG 5.5									
First Gold 7.5									
Fuggles 4.5									
Goldings (Worc.) 5									
Hallertauer ("German") 3.25									
Hallertauer ("Pacific") 6.7									
Magnum 13.5									
North Brewer 7.5									
Northdown 9.25									
Perle 6.5									
Pilgrim 11									
Progress 6.2									
Saaz 2.2									
Spalter Select 4.7									
Styrian Goldings 4.5									
Target 11.2									
Tetnanger 5									
WGV 6.3									
Other (4)									
Other (3)									
Other (2)									
Other (1)									
Isomerised hop extract (ml) ml = 0.00 tsp (5ml) 0 ml = 0.00 tsp (5ml) 0 ml = 0.00 tsp (5ml)									
See cells M105 etc. for the isomerised hop extract settings. Do not boil the hop extract!									
Boil vol. (litres) 9.25 9.25 9.25									
Boil gravity 1065 1086 1005									
Boil time (mins) 60 30 5 60 30 15 60 22 15									
Boil bitterness added 0 0 0 69 0 0 141 0 0									
% Utilization (normally adj. to 20) 20.1 15.4 0.0 16.7 12.8 8.3 34.4 22.2 17.1									
Bitterness from added hops (EE) 32.8 0.0 0.0 27.2 0.0 0.0 56.1 0.0 0.0									
Malt/iso-hop extract bitterness 0.0 / 0.0 EBU 0.0 / 0.0 EBU 0.0 / 0.0 EBU									
Total bitterness 32.8 EBU 27.2 EBU 56.1 EBU									

Note:- 20% hop utilization is not essential but the “norm” for most recipes.

**METHOD 1b.**

The sugar added at start of boil. (This means that any sugars will be added to the boiler - before the boil commences.)

When hop data is entered using “1a” it is automatically transferred to “1b” unless it is over-written. For “sugarless” (exc. the priming sugar) recipes the calculations are the same. Adding sugar decreases the hop utilization (N62) & hence reduces the bitterness (O65). This method is widely used as the “normal” of brewing &, once again, cells N58 & N61 can be set to give a utilization of about 20 (N62).

**METHOD 2.**

NO sugar or malt extract added to the boil. (This means that any sugars & malt extract will be added directly to the fermenter, only the “Coloured Malts” - cells D54 to D60 &, of course, the hops will be boiled.) In cell Q33, enter the hop weight of 50g. With the boil vol & boil times set as per the example 1a, cell R65 gives us the bitterness of 56.1EBU which is very high for the style.

When using "Method 2", I don't care what value the % Utilization (cell Q62) is set, I adjust the other relevant parameters to get "reasonable" figures & proceed from there. This method saves time, energy & resources &, ultimately, money, it also produces better beers! I think that reducing hops in cell Q33 to 30g, the boil vol. (Q58) to 5 litres & the boil time (Q60) to 60 mins, is a reasonable compromise resulting in 32.3EBU.

### The Final Spreadsheet

Pete's Malt Extract Calculator														
Incorporating David's Dry Enzyme Calc's														
<b>Figures used in all calculations:</b> To amend/modify any data, please refer to the "Technical Section". Initial vol. 23 litres = 40.48 UK/48.58 US Brewing/steeping temp 20 °C (Max. 30) Extract Efficiency 25 % (Used for roasted malts - 75% nominally)														
<b>SUMMARY FOR DE KONINCK</b>														
O.G. (exc. primer)	1034.1	"Effective" O.G. (inc. primer)	1035.3	40	<b>CALORIE/CARBOHYDRATE/UNIT DATA</b> This is mainly for diabetes sufferers. All the figures are approximate. Metric measures UK measures US measures For a bottle/glass size of 500 ml 1 pint 12 fl.oz Calories from the alcohol 108 123 77 Cals from the resid. sugar 52 59 37 Carbohydrates 13.6 g 15.4 g 9.6 g <b>Total calories 160 182 114</b> Units of alcohol (UK) 2.0 2.2 1.4									
F.G. (exc. primer)	1005.6	"Effective" F.G. (inc. primer)	1005.5	8										
% Alcohol (exc. primer)	3.7	% Alcohol (inc. primer)	3.9	3.8										
Carbonation Vol's CO <sub>2</sub> (exc. primer)	0.88	Carbonation (inc. primer)	1.70	1.7										
Total "sugars" (exc. primer)	500g	Total "sugars" (inc. primer)	572g											
Bitterness - Method (1a)	32.8 EBU	Actual BU/GU Ratio = 0.33 (Too Hoppy?)		30										
- OR Method (1b)	32.6 EBU	Actual BU/GU Ratio = 0.32 (Too Hoppy?)		(Very Hoppy)										
- OR Method (2)	32.3 EBU	Actual BU/GU Ratio = 0.31 (Too Hoppy?)												
Colour	15 EBC	OR SRM		20										
Converts PALE malt to wet/dry ext. Wet/dry malt extract wt. converter Wet Malt Wt Dry Wet Ext. wt. g Dry 726 1000 616 1177 1000 843														
<b>Sugar added at</b>														
<b>Hops boiled with</b>														
<b>LIQUID - UNHOPPED</b>														
Extra Light					1st hop	hop	hop	1st hop	hop	hop	1st hop	hop	hop	
Light					Wt (g)	Wt (g)	Wt (g)	Wt (g)	Wt (g)	Wt (g)	Wt (g)	Wt (g)	Wt (g)	Wt (g)
Amber														
Dark														
Extra dark														
Wheat (55%)														
OTHER														
<b>LIQUID - HOPPED</b>														
Light														
Amber														
Dark														
OTHER														
<b>DRY - UNHOPPED</b>														
Extra Light														
Light	1500		64.6	67.4										
Medium														
Dark														
Wheat (55%)														
OTHER														
<b>DRY - HOPPED</b>														
Light														
OTHER														
<b>Coloured Malts (Crushed)</b>														
Black														
Chocolate														
Crystal (light)	250		10.8	6.1	Isomerized hop extract (ml)	ml = 0.00 tsp (5m)	0	ml = 0.00 tsp (5m)	0	ml = 0.00 tsp (5m)	0	ml = 0.00 tsp (5m)	0	
Crystal (medium)														
Crystal (dark)														
Roast barley														
OTHER														
<b>Sugars Etc. (normally 30% max.)</b>														
Cane/beet sugar (sucrose)	500		21.5	23.1	% Utilization (normally adj. to 2)	20.1	15.4	10.0	20.0	15.4	9.9	33.0	21.2	16.4
Brown sugar (light)					Bitterness from added hops (E)	32.8	0.0	0.0	32.6	0.0	0.0	32.3	0.0	0.0
Brown sugar (medium)					Malt/lso-hop extract bitterness	0.0 / 0.0 EBU			0.0 / 0.0 EBU			0.0 / 0.0 EBU		
Lactose					Total bitterness	32.8 EBU			32.6 EBU			32.3 EBU		
Added sugar (sucrose) equiv.	500				When hopped extract &/or iso-hop extract are/is used with NO additional hops, boiling is NOT required.									
Generally 4% is considered the Max., equiv. to 30% by weight if using malt.					See the Hop Settings									
Primarily used (sucrose, 3.15g) 3.15 g/litre 3.1 3.3					The hop calculations use the Glenn Tinseth method for loose, whole hops. If the hops are used in a mesh bag, use about 10% more. When using hop pellets, use about 10% fewer.									
This is equivalent to 1.00 level 5ml tsp/litre					The length of the boil time is a factor in the bitterness of a beer, up to a certain point. However, the beers hop flavour is said to reach a maximum after about 20 mins. & the hop aroma after just 7 or 8 mins.									
OR, for a 500 ml bottle					Therefore the hop bitterness, flavour & aroma depend upon the boil timings used. See diagram.									
use 1.58g or 0.50 level 5ml tsp.														
Carbonation (Volumes CO <sub>2</sub> )	1.70	Total vol	2322	812										
For more information about carbonation see "Beer Primer" page.														
Yeast Efficiency % (atten.)	76	(76% nominally)												
Yeast used	Ale	Clash	100X	100X										

Use whichever "hop method" you choose.

I personally always choose "Method 2".

## GENERAL INFO.

The Specific Gravity (S. G.) of a liquid, as measured by a hydrometer, is the ratio between the weight of a liquid compared to the weight of an equal volume of water. 1 litre of water (@ 20°C & normal atmospheric pressure) weighs 1 Kg & its S. G. is 1 Kg/1 litre = 1 or, as normally denoted, 1000 or 1.000 or 0 Brewers degrees, I have adopted 1000 for this article. If a liquid has a S. G. of say 1040 then it is heavier than water & 1 litre would weigh 1.040 Kg or 1040 g (at this point you will probably be highly delighted that I've adopted Metric & not Imperial, or even worse, U. S. units!). Similarly a liquid whose S. G. is 993 is lighter than water, 1 litre weighing 0.993 Kg or 993 g.

Original Gravity (O. G.) is the gravity (S. G.) of a liquid before fermentation; Final Gravity (F. G.) is the gravity (S. G.) after fermentation. Gravity drop is the difference between these two gravities, & the ABV (alcohol by volume) is approximately equal to Gravity drop/7.45 (the number 7.45 is variable depending on the Original Gravity of the brew – around 1080, 7.6 is a more accurate figure to use for beers & ciders around the 1040 mark).

Note:- The hydrometer is described as having magical properties by Dave Line as the scale always faces away from you! The hydrometer is usually made of glass & consists of a cylindrical stem & a bulb weighted with lead shot or similar, to make it float upright.



The scale is read from the bottom of the meniscus.

### Working out the % ABV.

To calculate the alcohol level you need to know both the Original Gravity (OG) & the Final Gravity (FG) of the liquid in question.

An approximate method.

$$\% \text{ ABV} = (\text{OG} - \text{FG}) / 7.54 \text{ (See the [ADDENDUM](#), table – “O.G. Divider” column)}$$

Example: If a cider has an OG of 1068 & an FG of 996 then its alcohol content is:-

$$\% \text{ ABV} = (1068 - 996) / 7.54 = (72) / 7.54 = \underline{9.55\% \text{ ABV}} \text{ (strong stuff!)}$$

The figure of “7.54” is fairly arbitrary, only correct for an SG of 1055 but I consider this to be “near enough” estimation, suitable for beer, wine & ciders. For beer & ciders only, a figure of 7.6 is more accurate, based on an OG of 1040, for wines & meads only use 7.45, based on an OG of 1080. Different people use differing numbers, just about all are acceptable.

A more accurate method

$$\% \text{ ABV} = (\text{OG} - \text{FG}) / (7.75 - (3 \times (\text{OG} - 1000) / 800))$$

(Note: The “1000” is subtracted as plain water has a gravity of 1000.)

Example: If a beer has an OG of 1068 & an FG of 1012 then its alcohol content is:-

$$\begin{aligned} \% \text{ ABV} &= (1068 - 1012) / (7.75 - (3 \times (1068 - 1000) / 800)) \\ &= (56) / (7.75 - (3 \times (68) / 800)) = (56) / (7.75 - (0.255)) \\ &= (56) / (7.495) \\ &= \underline{7.47\% \text{ ABV}} \text{ (again, a strong brew.)} \end{aligned}$$

## ADDENDUM

The table shows the sugars which must be present in the wort/must to attain the required SG. These sugars can be soluble, insoluble or both, wines contain mostly/all soluble sugars & the table is reasonably accurate, but beer worts contain fairly large amounts of insoluble sugars which makes it much harder to predict the FG & so the “Beer % ABV (est.)” becomes very approximate. Malts also contain some semi-soluble malts, which the yeast may/may not be converted into alcohol, this is put down to the “yeast efficiency” or “attenuation”.



S.G.	Sugar g/litre	O.G. Divider	Wine % ABV (est.)	Beer % ABV (est.)
1000	0	7.75	0	0
1001	3	7.75	0.14	0.13
1002	5	7.74	0.28	0.26
1003	8	7.74	0.42	0.39
1004	11	7.74	0.56	0.51
1005	13	7.73	0.7	0.64
1010	27	7.71	1.4	1.29
1015	40	7.69	2.11	1.94
1020	53	7.68	2.81	2.59
1025	67	7.66	3.53	3.24
1030	80	7.64	4.24	3.9
1035	93	7.62	4.96	4.56
1040	107	7.6	5.68	5.23
1045	120	7.58	6.41	5.9
1050	133	7.56	7.14	6.57
1055	147	7.54	7.87	7.24
1060	160	7.53	8.61	7.92
1065	173	7.51	9.35	8.6
1070	187	7.49	10.1	9.29
1075	200	7.47	10.84	9.98
1080	213	7.45	11.6	10.67
1085	227	7.43	12.35	11.36
1090	240	7.41	13.11	12.06
1095	253	7.39	13.88	12.77
1100	267	7.38	14.64	13.47
1105	280	7.36	15.41	14.18
1110	293	7.34	16.19	14.89
1115	307	7.32	16.97	15.61
1120	320	7.3	17.75	16.33
1125	333	7.28	18.54	17.06

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Thank you!



The Battle of Duart Castle in the Isle of Mull, 16<sup>th</sup> Sept. 1445 (a quarter to 3!).