Onion: Preserve It



Double Onion Marmalade

Yield: about 6 half-pints

1-1/2 cups each thinly sliced red onion and thinly sliced Vidalia onion

1/4 cup firmly packed light brown sugar

1/3 cup apple cider vinegar (5% acidity)

1 tablespoon black peppercorns

2 bay leaves

2-1/2 cups unsweetened apple juice

1/2 cup raisins

6 tablespoons Ball Classic Pectin

4 cups sugar

- 1. Combine onions, sugar and vinegar in a stainless steel pot. Stirring often, cook over medium heat until liquid evaporates (13 minutes).
- 2. Place peppercorns and bay leaves on a 5-inch square of cheesecloth; tie with kitchen string, and add to onion mixture.
- 3. Add apple juice and raisins; stir in pectin. Bring mixture to a rolling boil that cannot be stirred down over high heat, stirring constantly.
- 4. Hold spice bag to one side of pot with tongs. Add sugar, stirring until dissolved. Release spice bag. Return mixture to a full rolling boil. Boil hard 1 minute, stirring constantly. Remove from heat; remove and discard spice bag. Skim foam, if necessary.
- 5. Ladle hot marmalade into a hot jar, leaving 1/4-inch headspace. Remove air bubbles. Wipe rims with a dampened clean paper towel; adjust two-piece metal canning lids.
- 6. Process in a boiling water or atmospheric steam canner for 15 minutes at 0-1,000 feet elevation, 20 minutes at 1,001-3,000 feet, 25 minutes at 3,001-6,000 feet, 30 minutes at 6,001-8,000 feet, and 35 minutes at 8,001-10,000 feet.

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