American Pale Ale

(All Grain)

American pale ale is arguably the quintessential microbrew. On tap at nearly every brew house in America, pale ale is the hoppier, fuller-bodied, and maltier cousin of domestic lager. Our pale ale represents the west coast style with an aggressive amount of domestic hops contributing a citrus character.

Ingredients	Statistics	
11 lb. Briess Pale *	Original Gravity	1.056
.5 lb. Briess Crystal Malt 20° L*	Final Gravity	1.014
.5 lb. Briess Carapils 1.5°L*	Alcohol Content	5.3%

- 1 oz. Nugget Hop Pellets (Bittering) with 60 minutes left in the boil.
- 1 oz. Cascade Hop Pellets (Flavoring) with 10 minutes left in the boil.
- 1 oz. Cascade Hop Pellets (Finishing) with 2 minutes left in the boil.

Wyeast # 1056 American Ale Yeast

- 3 Muslin Bags
- 5 oz Priming Sugar (for bottling)

Procedure

A *few hours before you begin to brew*, prepare your liquid yeast according to the package instructions. We assume that you are familiar with all-grain homebrewing techniques, so these procedures are abbreviated.

- **1.** Mash for an hour at 152°F with a 1.25 quarts of water per pound of grain. Adjust this temperature to personal preference. Lauter and sparge as normal up to 6 gallons (adjust for your rate of boil-off).
- 2. Boil for an hour, adding hops along the schedule detailed above. Keep an eye on the pot to avoid boil-overs.
- **3.** With 15 minutes left in the boil, add ½ teaspoon of Irish Moss, or 1 Whirlfloc tablet, to help clarify your beer (optional).
- **4.** At the end of the boil, chill the wort as quickly as possible. A copper or stainless steel immersion chiller is a great way to accomplish this.
- **5.** Make sure the wort is below 80°F before adding yeast. Take a hydrometer reading if desired. Add the yeast.
- **6.** Store the fermenter where the temperature will be a fairly constant 65° 70°F. Active fermentation may take only a few days, or it can last up to 2 weeks. A hydrometer reading is a great way to determine when the fermentation is done. Keep the beer in the primary fermenter until active fermentation is complete (no signs of active fermentation for the last 2 to 3 days).
- **7.** When ready to bottle, siphon the beer into your sanitized bottling bucket, leaving sediment behind. Boil the priming sugar in 1-2 cups of water for a few minutes, gently stir into the beer, and bottle as usual.

For Store Use, Not part of instructions; Hops – 1 oz Nugget, 2 oz Cascade