# DRINKS FOR CHRISTMAS



# Rosie's Preserving School

# **Equipment List**

Slightly different format this week – all of the recipes are listed overleaf with the ingredients and any special equipment. If you have a notebook handy most of the processes are simple, and quick, so it will be easier if you note them down. You don't have to make them all – just pick out the ones that appeal!

You will need some bigger jars that you can soak things in, and a selection of bottles to decant into – I can't tell you how many as I don't know what you will choose to make! I will try to give guidance on each of the recipes.

These recipes are fun to make and because they mostly require a sugar syrup to be added, plus other ingredients in some case, they are quite economical – a little booze goes a long way! I have tried to minimise the type of base alcohol but there again you may have bottles lurking in a cupboard that you can use up. Note to self, stop over-thinking things!

I hope you will find some that appeal and will enjoy making them

Don't stress about getting the equipment right or if you don't have certain bits of kit - there is always a way round it! The workshops will be relaxed and there is almost nothing you could come up with that hasn't been solved before - the aim is to enjoy it!

### Marmalade Gin

Good marmalade half a jar

Gin 700ml/1 standard bottle

one large jar to mix

#### **Amaretto**

Water 100ml/4floz

Muscavado sugar 65g/3oz

Vodka 200ml/8 floz
Almond extract 1 tablespoon
Vanilla extract 1 teaspoon

medium saucepan one medium bottle

## Chocolate Liqueur

Nutella 250g/8oz

Whole milk 300ml/12 fl oz

Double cream 125ml/5 fl oz

Caster sugar 50g/2 oz

Vodka 100ml/4 fl oz

medium saucepan 2–3 bottles around 250ml

#### **Black Velvet**

Blackberries 500g/1 lb

Caster sugar 300g/12 oz

Water 300ml/12 fl oz

Dark chocolate 125g/5oz

Brandy 500ml/1 pint

large pan/jam pan

jelly bag/sieve + muslin/kitchen paper 4-5 bottles around 250ml

## Irish Cream

Double Cream 400ml/16 fl oz

Espresso or strong coffee 100ml/4 fl oz

lcing sugar 100g/4 oz

Cocoa powder 2 tablespoons

Vanilla extract

Whisky 150ml/6 fl oz

medium saucepan 3–4 bottles around 250ml

# Cranberry & Orange Liqueur

Cranberries 500g/16 oz
Water 250ml/8 fl oz
Sugar 500g/16 oz
Orange, zest 1 tablespoon
Orange, juice 3 tablespoons
Vodka 600ml/1 pint

large jar for soaking

medium saucepan 3-4 bottles 250ml

# Coffee Liqueur

Water 400ml/16 fl oz
Dark brown sugar 300g/12 oz
Instant coffee 2 tablespoons
Vanilla extract 1 tablespoon
Vodka 500ml/1 pint
Large saucepan 3-4 bottles 250ml

#### Random Advice

Please select all or any of the above to make – you don't have to make them all. I will demonstrate them all so you can make at a later date

You will need a variety of jars to soak things in, large screw top, or clip top jars will be fine

You will also need pretty bottles to decant your makes into. You can keep and use the empty bottles from the booze added to the recipe if it is for your own use – they are a bit big to give away though!

If you are going to cook along you will need some saucepans, maybe a jelly bag or sieve lined with muslin or kitchen paper for straining out the bits and a selection of spoons, funnels and other kitchen items

For the Black Velvet and Cranberry & Orange Liqueur it is fine to use frozen fruit

I hope there is something there that you fancy making and will enjoy drinking