## Canned Fruit Preserves and Jellies: Your Guide to Preserving Nature's Sweetness



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As the summer sun bathes the trees and vines, nature's bounty ripens, offering an abundance of sweet and juicy fruits. It's a time to celebrate the flavors of the season and capture their essence for the year to come. Canning fruit preserves and jellies is a delightful way to preserve the summer harvest and enjoy its flavors year-round.

#### The Art of Canning

Canning is a method of preserving food by sealing it in airtight containers and heating it to a high temperature. This process kills bacteria and molds that can cause food to spoil. Canned foods can be stored for months or even years, making them a convenient and economical way to preserve the summer's bounty.

#### **Equipment You'll Need**

- Canning jars
- Lids and bands
- Water bath canner
- Ladle
- Jar lifter
- Bubble popper

#### **Making Fruit Preserves**

Fruit preserves are a thick, spreadable concoction made from fruit, sugar, and pectin. Pectin is a natural thickener found in fruits. It helps to bind the fruit and sugar together, creating a firm texture. To make fruit preserves, simply combine fruit, sugar, and pectin in a saucepan and heat until thickened. Once thickened, pour the preserves into sterilized jars and seal them.

#### **Tips for Making Fruit Preserves**

- Use ripe fruit for the best flavor.
- Use a water bath canner to process the jars and kill any bacteria.
- Store the preserves in a cool, dark place for up to a year.

#### **Making Fruit Jellies**

Fruit jellies are a clear, spreadable concoction made from fruit juice, sugar, and pectin. To make fruit jellies, simply combine fruit juice, sugar, and

pectin in a saucepan and heat until thickened. Once thickened, pour the jelly into sterilized jars and seal them.

#### **Tips for Making Fruit Jellies**

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- Use a water bath canner to process the jars and kill any bacteria.
- Store the jellies in a cool, dark place for up to a year.

#### **Recipes**

Here are a few recipes to get you started:

#### **Strawberry Preserves**

- 4 cups strawberries, hulled and mashed
- 6 cups sugar
- 1/4 cup powdered pectin

Combine the strawberries, sugar, and pectin in a saucepan. Bring to a boil over medium heat, stirring constantly. Reduce heat and simmer for 1 minute, or until thickened. Remove from heat and pour into sterilized jars. Seal the jars and process in a water bath canner for 10 minutes.

#### **Raspberry Jelly**

- 4 cups raspberries, mashed
- 6 cups sugar
- 1/4 cup powdered pectin

Combine the raspberries, sugar, and pectin in a saucepan. Bring to a boil over medium heat, stirring constantly. Reduce heat and simmer for 1 minute, or until thickened. Remove from heat and pour into sterilized jars. Seal the jars and process in a water bath canner for 10 minutes.

Canning fruit preserves and jellies is a rewarding and delicious way to preserve the summer harvest. With a little practice, you'll be able to create your own delicious preserves and jellies that you can enjoy all year long. So get canning and enjoy the sweet flavors of summer!

For more information on canning, visit the National Center for Home Food Preservation.

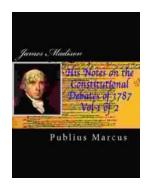


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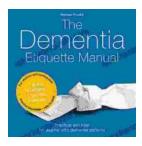
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