

MAKING BEER AT HOME



Beer is quite a simple beverage. It is made from malt, hops, yeast & water. The malt provides “brewing sugars” which are absorbed by the yeast & turned into alcohol. The malt also provides the basic colour & flavour of the beer plus some aroma. The hops make the beer bitter & add some additional flavour & aroma.

There are several ways to make beer but the easiest, & the best way to learn about brewing is to use a beer kit. This is the brewer’s equivalent of a packet of cake-mix. The ingredients are prepared & ready to go. It’s easy to make beer this way but it still teaches you the basics & with the right additives, you will make extremely good beer.

The benefits of making your own beer

There are 3 aspects of making your own beer at home that are worth remembering.

Firstly, it’s the quality . . . you can make really great tasting beer that you will enjoy more than bought beer.

The second aspect is the savings . . . for Australian beers you save 70-80% on the cost of buying beer. With imported beers, you save up to 90%. That’s amazing in anyone’s language.

Thirdly, it is easy to do . . . in fact it’s easier than making a packet cake & we will help you all the way. You can call our FREE ADVICE line whenever you need help.

How do you start

If you want to start brewing, the easiest & most economical way to do it is to get yourself a beginners brewery kit. Unlike mass-market kits, Brewcraft kits are comprehensive & contain genuine quality components.

Information . . . The most important component for a beginner is the information in the kit. Good information will enable you to make much better beer & our kits contain the best information source around, the 284 page best selling book, Brewing Crafts.

Top quality ingredients . . . We want to make absolutely sure that the first beer you make is really good. The best way to do this is to provide you with top quality ingredients. We have chosen BREWCRAFT brand beer kits plus a high quality blend of special brewing sugars for your first brew.

Brewcraft Beer Ingredient Kits are genuinely top class. They use only the highest quality malted barley to produce their classic range of beer kits. A variety of hops & roasted malts are combined with the barley to impart the varied flavours & aromas that give the great beers of the world such variety & quality.

Guaranteed results . . . If anything goes wrong & the beer is not as good as you had hoped, we will give you fresh ingredients no matter what the reason for the problem. Even if you make a mistake & tell us, we will still give you replacement ingredients.

Which kit do you choose

For the budget conscious, the STANDARD BREWERY KIT has all the essential equipment and ingredients you will need to make your first batch of beer. The only things you will have to provide are some bottles & water.

However, it is a basic kit. You can also get kits with extra options that make a big difference to your hobby.

If you would like some extras that would make your brewing even easier and more fun (like a mechanical capping machine or an electric heater) you can choose one of our SUPER BREWERY KITS.

There is a comparison chart of all the beginners kits on the next page.

Making bottling easier & safer

The bottles you intend to use will affect your decision. The capper in the STANDARD BREWERY KIT has to be hit with a mallet to seal the bottle. This is fine for heavyweight bottles that are strong but if you use lightweight stubbies, some may shatter when you bang the cap on.

In this case, a lever action capper works really well. It will not break any bottles & you can use it to seal twist top bottles as well.

Our SUPER BREWERY KITS include this type of capping machines.

Fermenting in cold weather

Finally, there will be times when you need to keep your fermenter warm. Most brews need to be kept at about 20°C during fermentation. This is never a problem in the summer but in winter, some warmth is needed all the time & during the in-between seasons, you will need to keep it warm at night.

If your house is not warm all the time, an electric fermenter heating band or panel is very useful. Our SUPER-DELUX & BLACK LABEL KITS include heaters.

Free advice service

When you buy a Brewcraft kit you automatically get access to our free advisory service. All our staff are home-brewers who can give you practical “no-bull” help.

More information

You can start now if you like. Call 9579 1644 if you would like to know more about making beer or about our beginners kits.

You will find masses of excellent info about brewing on our website which is widely recognised as one of the most informative & easy to use in the industry.

www.liquorcraft.com.au has it all!

Why choose a Brewcraft beginners kit

They are the only kits with an unconditional guarantee.

We are so sure about the quality of our ingredients & equipment & confident that we can help you make great beer right from the word go that . . .

We guarantee your first brew regardless of your experience.

We will replace the ingredients if it does not work out, no matter what the reason.

Beginner kit comparison chart

COMPONENTS OF OUR HOME BREWERIES	STD KIT	SUPER KIT	SUPER DELUX KIT	BLACK LABEL KIT
Brewing Crafts - the best selling Australian brewing book	✓	✓	✓	✓
Fermenter 30 litre	✓	✓	✓	✓
Grommet	✓	✓	✓	✓
Airlock	✓	✓	✓	✓
Thermometer	✓	✓	✓	✓
Tap with sediment trap	✓	✓	✓	✓
Auto bottling valve	✓	✓	✓	✓
Brewcraft ingredient kit	✓	✓	✓	✓
Brewcraft #15 Brew Booster	✓	✓	✓	✓
Hydrometer & test flask	✓	✓	✓	✓
Brewclean cleaner	✓	✓	✓	✓
Brewshield sterilizer	✓	✓	✓	✓
Carbonation drops (60)	✓	✓	✓	✓
Crown seals (red x65)	✓	✓	✓	✓
Bottle brush	✓	✓	✓	✓
Long plastic stirrer	✓	✓	✓	✓
Capping tool - knock-on type	✓			
Adjustable capping machine		✓	✓	✓
Electric fermenter heater panel			✓	✓
Bottle rinsing tool				✓
Bottle draining tree				✓
You pay only	109.90	169.90	219.90	289.90
You save a huge	70.00	75.00	85.00	93.00
60 Litre upgrade option		Add \$25	Add \$25	Add \$25

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