

Bohemian Lager Yeast

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Bottom-fermenting Active Dried Brewing Yeast
suitable for European lager and pilsner style beers.

YEAST STRAIN DESCRIPTION

Bohemian Lager is a classic bottom-fermenting, continental lager strain that produces elegant, well balanced beers. Bohemian Lager Yeast is characterized by its dry and clean palate typical of traditional Czech brewing. This strain confers smooth and subtle yeast characteristics with muted fruit notes resulting in refreshingly crisp lagers with an expressive hop character. While rich and chewy, the beers fermented with this strain will not be sweet but may have an elusive full malt flavor in the aftertaste. Lagering periods as short as 4 weeks may produce acceptable beer but allowing it to lager for 6-8 weeks, it will result in beer that is richer and smoother with a more refined aroma and flavor.

TECHNICAL CHARACTERISTICS

STRAIN CLASSIFICATION:

Saccharomyces cerevisiae

RECOMMENDED TEMPERATURE RANGE:

50-59°F (10-15°C)

PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(5- high, 1- low)

ATTENUATION: 4

FLOCCULATION RATE: 4

COMPACTION: 4

VIALE YEAST CELLS: >5 x 10⁹ cells per gram

DRY WEIGHT: 93 – 96%

WILD YEAST: <1 per 10⁶ cells

TOTAL BACTERIA: <1 per 10⁶ cells

GMO STATUS: GMO Free

FERMENTATION OBSERVATIONS

This starts relatively quickly for a lager strain, building a thick krausen within hours.

It reaches final gravity in 2 weeks, excluding strong worts which will require longer secondary fermentation. Lagering period with this strain can be fairly short, as little as 4 weeks with good results - although 6-8 weeks will result in a richer, smoother beer with a more refined aroma.

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OBSERVABLE TRAITS

AROMA CHARACTERISTICS:

Classic Bohemian pilsner strain aroma and flavor characteristics can be expected.

FLAVOR/MOUTH FEEL CHARACTERISTICS:

Earthy spiciness of both noble hops and pilsner malt will be enhanced and supported by moderate to full body. In wort with simple malt bills, delicate malt flavors will survive. Beer fermented with this strain is generally rich and chewy without being heavy at all. Light and delicately balanced beers call for this strain.

HIGHER ALCOHOL BEERS:

This strain will perform reasonably well in higher alcohol beer production up to 9% alcohol. Beer of over 7% alcohol will be slightly sweet, and the alcohol may be slightly hot.