

PEACH & BASIL SHRUB

Shrubs are pretty great summer drinks. They're bracingly sweet-tart, a combination that helps quench thirst on the hottest days.

Ingredients

Shrub 10oz fresh ripe peaches, peeled and diced 1 cup granulated sugar ½ cup rice wine vinegar ½ cup of water Drink 2-3 large basil leaves additional for garnish 2 oz peach shrub ½ oz fresh lemon juice 1½ oz tonic water

Instructions

Peach Shrub

- 1. Blend all shrub ingredients in food processor until relatively smooth.
- 2. Pour into saucepan and bring to a simmer over medium heat. Stir until sugar is completely dissolved.
- 3. Remove from heat and strain the mixture through a sieve into a temperature safe container.
- 4. Let cool completely before using.

Drink

- 1. In a large glass muddle basil leaves. Add peach shrub, lemon juice, and stir gently.
- 2. Add ice into the glass and top with tonic water, give another gentle stir to break-up the layers.
- 3. Garnish with large basil leaves

Karly's Kocktail Tip

Shrubs are quite versatile, they can be used with gin, bourbon, vodka, or even sparkling wine.

- If adding a spirit add 2 ounces, after the basil has been muddled.
- If using sparkling wine add 3-4 ounces of your favorite bubbles, substitute the tonic water for use club soda for a summer spritz!

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