AMERICAN · DRINK

Easy Cold Brew Coffee (Immersion or Hot Bloom)

15 min · plus 12–24 hours steeping Makes 8 × 1 glass (150 ml) over ice 2 kcal a portion

Video 4:21 · Joshua Weissman

Vegan | Gluten-free ingredients | Nut-free

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Black and unsweetened, it is practically calorie-free (1–2 kcal a glass). Steeping the coffee cold gives a smooth, less bitter brew that is easy to enjoy without sugar or syrup.

Diet notes: Low carb (0 g net carbs) but not keto: 18% of the energy is from fat, and keto meals get about 60% or more.

Ingredients

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- [ ] 80 g **coffee beans**, coarsely ground (brewed, then grounds strained out)
- [ ] **Water**: 1.4 litres cold or room-temperature filtered water
- [ ] **ice**, to serve

Amounts in metric units, converted from the cook's and rounded — the video has the originals.

Contains: none of the common allergens in the listed ingredients. Check labels on stock, sauces and spice mixes.

Method

TIMES = THE MOMENT IN THE VIDEO

1. Grind 80 g of good coffee beans coarsely, like coarse cornmeal, and tip them into a half-gallon (2 litre) jar. 1:19
2. Immersion method: pour in 1.4 litres of cold or room-temperature filtered water and stir until all the grounds are wet. Cover and refrigerate for 12–24 hours; 24 hours gives a much stronger brew. 1:36
3. Hot bloom method (a little brighter and fuller): pour in about 470 ml of the water heated until steaming (about 96 °C), stir, wait exactly 1 minute, then add the remaining 950 ml of cold water. Stir, cover and refrigerate for 12–24 hours. 2:00
4. Strain through a fine sieve lined with cheesecloth, or for no grit at all, slowly through a paper filter in a pour-over cone or Chemex. 2:33
5. Pour over plenty of ice and drink. Keep the rest covered in the fridge.

> **Tip** Joshua's recipe serves 8: it makes about 1.2 litres after straining, about 150 ml a glass. Any milk you add is extra. Cold brew is high in caffeine, so one or two glasses a day is plenty.

The method is a summary in our words — the video shows every step.

One portion, 1 glass (150 ml) over ice, gives you

1 OF 8 · ESTIMATE

ENERGY	PROTEIN	CARBOHYDRATE	FIBRE	FAT	SODIUM
2 kcal	0.2 g	0 g	0 g	0 g	0 mg
10 kJ	0% of a day	0 g net · 0 g sugars	0% of a day	0 g saturated	0% of a day
		0% of a day		0% of a day	

Energy from net carbs 0% · protein 100% · fat 0% — very low carb (under 10% of the energy from carbs)

Recipe and video: Joshua Weissman (@JoshuaWeissman) on YouTube — youtube.com/watch?v=v_gHWgmsPrw, published 23 September 2018. All credit for the recipe goes to the cook; please watch and support their channel.

By Notbroken: the method summary, the unit conversions, the diet notes and the nutrition estimate — worked out from the ingredient list with USDA FoodData Central values; % of a day compares one serve with the US FDA daily values on food labels (2,000 kcal). Brands, portions and cooking change the real numbers.

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