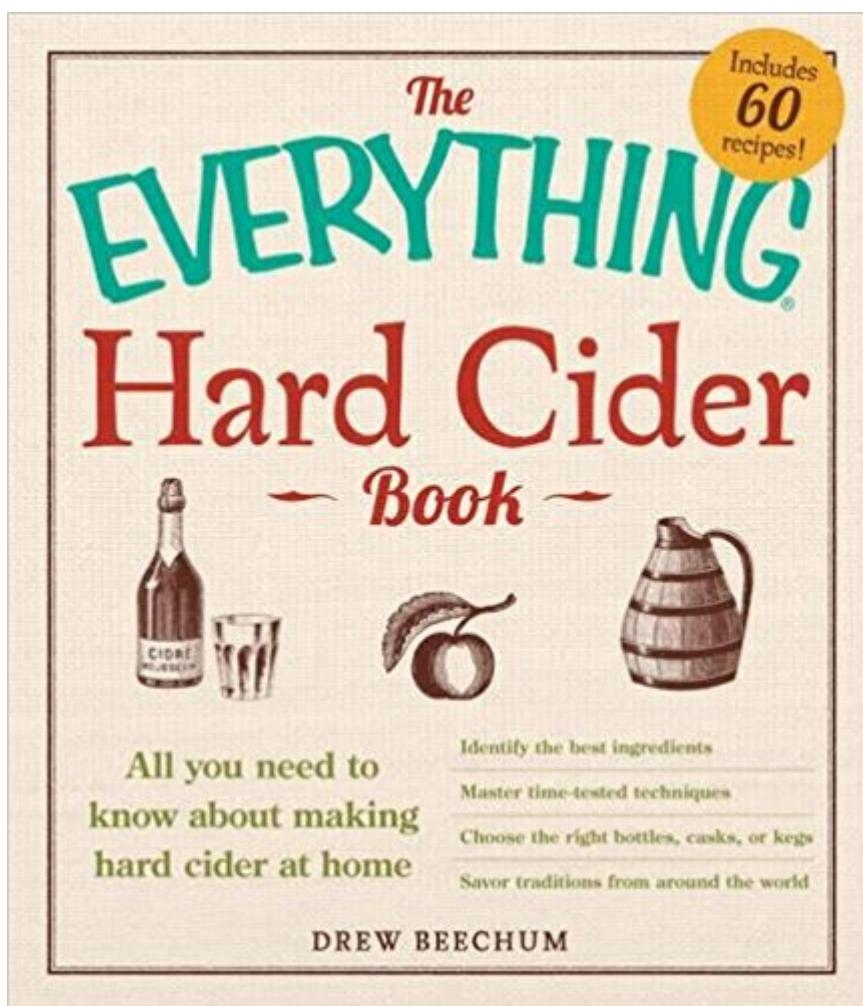


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# The Everything Hard Cider Book: All You Need To Know About Making Hard Cider At Home



## Synopsis

Easy to brew, easy to customize, and enormously delicious! Looking for a crisp, clean, and scrumptious alternative to beer? On a gluten-free diet or allergic to the grains used in brewing beer? Want to experience the pride that comes when your friends crack open one of your bottles and exclaim, "You made this?" Then welcome to the world of hard cider. Suddenly it's everywhere--it's on the menu in pubs and restaurants, and there's a dizzying array of ciders available in stores. And some cider lovers, just like craft beer drinkers, are looking for ways to create their own brew. The Everything Hard Cider Book takes you step by step into the fermentation and bottling process, with tips on finding the proper equipment, sourcing ingredients, varying flavors, and creating unique packaging. You'll also find advice on advanced techniques, like evaluating the finished product, varying recipes for your own taste, and even growing fruit for cider. And with thirty-five essential and adaptable recipes for apple and other fruit ciders, you'll find everything you need to make your own distinctive and delicious beverages.

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"A definitive guide to home cider making that will benefit rookies and veterans alike.... This is real hard cider that you can craft yourself. Beechum walks you through the whole process, covering everything from equipment, ingredient sourcing, flavoring with herbs and spices, fermentation, and of course bottling." - Los Angeles Magazine

Drew Beechum writes a monthly column for Beer Advocate magazine, and contributes articles on homebrewing and the culture surrounding it to several websites, including NorthernBrewer.com, BeerSmith.com, and MaltoseFalcons.com. He lives in Pasadena, CA.

This book is sure to inspire a lot of great home made cider. It which should be popular among homebrewers who are looking to expand their game and for newcomers, some of whom may have avoided homebrewing for personal tastes or other reasons, such as gluten sensitivity. It does not assume a knowledge of homebrewing but does sometimes highlight areas where that activity overlaps with cider-making, and might inspire some aspiring cidermakers to also become homebrewers. Several recipes are provided, including traditional ciders but also, perhaps with a nod to Randy Mosher's Radical Brewing, several off-beat ones. There is also some interesting information about post-fermentation adjustment of cider, which is familiar territory for the wine-making crowd but may be new to some readers who came from a homebrewing background. Additionally, the author shows a strong scientific curiosity, which led to interesting side notes highlighting botany, the natural history of the apple, apple varieties, plant biochemistry, yeast, and the like, which helped earn a 5th star from this plant biologist.

Just started making my own cider and this book made me enjoy it so much. I bought a bunch of other books and my mom gave me a few others. By far this book is the one I read the most. This book is the one I open first when I forget something or I wanted to understand something better. For beginners it is probably the easiest one to understand and it gives an in depth view on how to get drunk with apples lol. The other books either were too simple and didn't answer my questions, and the others went to in depth into the specifics and droned on for pages and pages.

Drew gives practical, uncomplicated advice for beginning and intermediate cidermakers. Everything Hard Cider covers traditional techniques, but also covers modern shortcuts and making cider from commonly available apples instead of just from hard-to-find cider apples.

This is a very good book that covers the fundamentals of making hard apple cider. For home beer makers who are interested in simply experimenting with hard cider, I think this would be an excellent book. As a foundation for learning the basics of making hard cider, this would be my recommendation as a first book. However, for those who want to either grow their own cider apples or purchase cider apple juice made from traditional cider apples, the book comes up short; but there

are a lot of people who aren't interested in that part of making hard apple cider so I won't nick it on my five-star rating. This is a well-written, informative book that should be in the library of anyone venturing into making hard cider at home.

Great read! Found this better than most Hard Cider books out there. Doesn't flood you with too much information, but goes into details that you need to know. Book was helpful but best way to learn is to do.

This book is great. Gets you started, then offers more as you need it.

This book covers everything from brewing, tasting, growing and also includes recipes. Extremely well written and researched. I read this book cover to cover. The Dummy style pull quotes are helpful in highlighting the most critical information. The "Everything Hard Cider Book" will certainly be my go to cider making reference for a long time to come.

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