



Mulled wine recipe.

Pairs perfectly with A Candlelit Christmas Concert at Home

20th December at 7.30pm

<https://www.octavoce.org.uk/christmas-2020-online>

Ingredients

- 1 large cinnamon stick, or 2 small ones
 - 750ml bottle of red wine
 - 2 star anise
 - 4 cloves
 - 2 strips lemon zest, pared using a vegetable peeler
 - 4 tbsp caster sugar
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Method

Put the red wine, cinnamon, star anise, cloves, lemon zest and sugar in a large pan. Cook on a low heat for 10 mins.

Remove from the heat and cool, leaving to infuse for about 30 mins.

To serve, heat without boiling, stir in the sloe gin (if using, see tip below) and pour into mugs or heatproof glasses.

Alcohol-Free Christmas Cocktail

In the morning, put equal quantities of cranberry juice, apple juice and sparkling water in the fridge to chill. When you are ready to serve, mix the juices together with a few fresh cranberries and some apple slices in a really large jug or serving bowl, then top up with the sparkling water.