

# Homemade Prague Citrus-ade Recipe

**This homemade Prague Citrus-ade recipe is simply refreshing and simple to make.**

We spent a wonderful hot and muggy spring vacation in Prague and although the local beer looked inviting, it contained too much alcohol to safely quench my thirst during our long hours marveling at the wondrous sights of Prague.

As we walked around town, I noticed many restaurants were serving a lemonade-type drink. Since I was parched, I ordered a pitcher for our table and as soon as I took a sip of the refreshing drink made with lemons, limes, and oranges—I became hooked on homemade Prague Citrus-ade.



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Most Prague restaurants have their own recipe for making homemade Prague Citrus-ade, so since my visit, I've been trying to replicate it. It's actually fairly easy to prepare; you begin with simple syrup and a combination of citrus fruit juices.

## Homemade Prague Citrus-ade Recipe (Serves 6-8)

### Simple Syrup Ingredients

- 3/4 cup brown or white, granulated sugar
- 1 cup water

### Citrus-ade Ingredients

- 1 cup fresh squeezed lemon juice (4-6 lemons)
- 1/4 cup fresh squeezed lime juice (2-3 limes)
- 1/2 cup fresh squeezed orange juice (1-2 oranges)

- 3 to 5 cups cold water
- Ice cubes
- Sparkling water
- Lime or lemon slices
- Fresh mint sprigs

## Method

Place the sugar and water in a small saucepan and bring to a simmer over medium heat, stirring until the sugar dissolves completely. Remove the pan from the heat and cool completely.

If the citrus fruit is waxed, lightly scrub the peel with a cloth or kitchen brush to remove the wax. Next, roll the lemon and limes on the counter top to ensure you'll be able to release as many juices as possible.

Pour the citrus juices and about 1 cup of the sugar water into a serving pitcher.

Add about 2 cups of cold water to the citrus-ade mixture. Now taste; adding more simple syrup and water if needed. Any remaining simple syrup can be stored in the refrigerator for several weeks.



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Fill tall glasses halfway with ice cubes and pour the citrus mixture over the ice cubes. Add a splash of sparkling water and garnish with a lemon or lime slices and mint sprigs.

If you want to add a bit of “wow” factor to the table, use a Bohemian crystal pitcher and matching glasses. I personally don’t have any Bohemian crystal glassware, but if I did, I’d follow my own suggestion. ☐

The variations are limitless with this basic recipe, so get creative with flavors and enjoy.

Prague Citrus-ade. It’s easy to make, refreshing, and the perfect drink to cool down and celebrate summer.