

## THREE WAYS TO FREEZE PEACHES

## BEGIN WITH TREE RIPENED BRECKNOCK ORCHARD PEACHES.

Wash peaches, slice in half, remove pit, and peel the peach halves. Slice or dice the peaches to your preference. Then choose one of the three freezing methods below.

- Water Pack: Pack peaches into a pint or quart-size freezer container or bag, leaving 1/2-inch headspace for pints and 1-inch headspace for quarts. Pour water over the peaches, maintaining the specified headspace.
- Sugar Pack: Pack a small layer of peaches into a pint or quart-size freezer container. Sprinkle lightly with sugar; repeat layering, leaving 1/2-inch headspace for pints and 1-inch headspace for quarts. Cover and let stand for 15 minutes or until juicy before freezing.
- Syrup Pack: Prepare desired syrup (see back). Pack peaches into a pint or quart-size freezer container or bag, leaving 1/2-inch headspace for pints and 1-inch headspace for quarts. Pour syrup over the peaches, maintaining the specified headspace.



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**To prepare syrup:** Place the recommended amounts of sugar and water (see below) in a large saucepan. Heat and stir until the sugar dissolves. Remove from heat and skim off foam, if necessary.

Tip: 1/2 to 2/3 cup syrup for each 2 cups peaches.

Very Light Syrup: Use 1 cup sugar and 4 cups water to yield about 4 cups syrup.

Light Syrup: Use 1-2/3 cups sugar and 4 cups water to yield about 4-1/4 cups syrup.

Medium Syrup: Use 2-2/3 cups sugar and 4 cups water to yield about 4-2/3 cups syrup.

Heavy Syrup: Use 4 cups sugar and 4 cups water to yield about 5-3/4 cups syrup.

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- Wipe container rims (if using).
- Seal containers or bags according to manufacturer's directions, pressing out as much air as possible.
- If necessary, use freezer tape around lid for a tight seal.
- Label each container or bag with its contents, amount, and date. Lay bags flat; add bags or containers to freezer in batches to make sure they freeze quickly. Leave space between containers or bags so air can circulate around them.
- When frozen solid, the containers or bags can be placed closer together.
- Use frozen peaches within 8 to 10 months.



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