

## Recipe: Uncle Carl's Midnight Mild

Brewer: Matt Waldron  
Asst Brewer: Piggy  
Style: Mild  
TYPE: All Grain

Taste: (30.0) The Chocolate notes from the late addition Chocolate grains come out at British "Pub Temperature." When setting it up for tasting, especially to style, make sure it is not an "ice cold" pour as it will kill off the subtle flavors and taste like a weak stout or porter.

### Recipe Specifications

Boil Size: 5.96 gal

Post Boil Volume: 5.46 gal

Batch Size (fermenter): 5.00 gal

Bottling Volume: 4.75 gal

Estimated OG: 1.039 SG

Estimated Color: 29.4 SRM

Estimated IBU: 18.0 IBUs

Brewhouse Efficiency: 72.00 %

Est Mash Efficiency: 75.6 %

Boil Time: 60 Minutes

### Ingredients:

| <u>Amt</u>    | <u>Name</u>                             | <u>Type</u> | <u>%/IBU</u> |
|---------------|---|-------------|--------------|
| 0.25 tsp      | PH 5.2 Stabilizer (Mash 60.0 mins)      | Water Agent | -            |
| 5 lbs 12.0 oz | Pale Malt, Maris Otter (3.0 SRM)        | Grain       | 78.0 %       |
| 10.0 oz       | Caramel/Crystal Malt - 20L (20.0 SRM)   | Grain       | 8.5 %        |
| 8.0 oz        | Chocolate (Briess) (350.0 SRM)          | Grain       | 6.8 %        |
| 8.0 oz        | Chocolate Wheat Malt (400.0 SRM)        | Grain       | 6.8 %        |
| 0.75 oz       | East Kent Goldings (EKG) [5.80 %] -     | Boil Hop    | 18.0 IBUs    |
| 0.25 tsp      | Irish Moss (Boil 15.0 mins)             | Fining      | -            |
| 0.25 oz       | Goldings, East Kent [5.80 %] - Boil 0.0 | Hop         | 0.0 IBUs     |
| 1.0 pkg       | California Ale (White Labs #WLP001)     | Yeast       | -            |

Mash Schedule: Single Infusion, Light Body, Batch Sparge

Total Grain Weight: 7 lbs 6.0 oz

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| <u>Name</u> | <u>Description</u>              | <u>Step Temp</u> | <u>Step Time</u> |
|-------------|---------------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Mash In     | Add 9.22 qt of water at 167.6 F | 148.0 F          | 75 min           |

Sparge: Batch sparge with 2 steps (1.56gal, 2.98gal) of 168.0 F water

Notes:

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