

## Vitality Kraut



## **Ingredients**

1 green cabbage (3kg)

1-2 Yellow Beetroot (200g)

1 Medium Yellow Carrot (approx. 200g)

1 Jicama / Yam Bean (250g)

1-2 Green Apples (200g)

Zest on ½ orange

Ginger (3cm piece)

Turmeric (2cm piece)

Juniper Berries (1 tablespoon)

1 Star Anise

Salt (approx. 40-50g)

2-4 additional carrot for use as a plug to hold sauerkraut under the brine

\*all quantities are approximate and can be adjusted for taste and availability



3-4\* 1 ltr jars or medium crock

## Instructions

- 1. Remove and save the outer leaves of the cabbage for later use.
- 2. Remove the core and slice the cabbage.
- 3. Wash and clean the carrot, grate the yellow carrot and half of the orange carrot, then slice the remaining half of orange carrot.
- 4. Wash and clean the beetroot and finely shop into straws.
- 5. Wash, clean and peel the Jicama and slice into straws.
- 6. Finely chop the ginger and turmeric then pound the ginger, turmeric, juniper berries and star anise in a mortar and pestle.
- 7. Core and dice the apple.
- 8. Combine all in a large mixing bowl including the zest of the orange.





- 9. Salt to taste, you do this by adding a teaspoon of salt at a time, massaging and then tasting. Slowly add the salt till you reach your desired saltiness.
- 10. Massage the sauerkraut until you are able to lift and squeeze a handful and it drips its brine like a sponge.
- 11. Pack firmly into clean jars, pressing down to remove air pockets and raise the brine above the vegetables. Fill to the jar's shoulder, leaving 3-4cm for the mix to rise.
- 12. Clean any excess sauerkraut that is above the brine.
- 13. Place a clean folded cabbage leaf and a piece of carrot on top as a plug to hold the sauerkraut under the brine.
- 14. Seal the jar and label with date.
- 15. Ferment on bench top out of direct light for 7-14 days before transferring to the fridge where it will continue to ferment at a slower rate.

## **Notes**

If there is insufficient juices for the mixture to be held under the brine, add additional 1 ½% salt brine. (15grams of salt in 1 ltr of filtered water).