

## Ingredients

1/3 cup sugar
1/4 cup cornstarch $1 / 4$ tsp. salt
4 cups cherries, pitted
(we love to use a combination of sweet Black Bing cherries \& semi-sour Jubileum cherries) $11 / 2$ cups water
Zest and juice of 1 lemon 4-5 drops red food coloring (optional)

## HOMEMADE CHERRY

## PIE FILLING

## Instructions

1. In a large saucepan over medium heat, combine sugar, cornstarch and salt.
2. Stir in water, cherries, lemon juice \& lemon zest. Bring mixture to a boil.
3. Cook for 2-3 minutes, until thickened, stirring constantly.
4. Remove from heat and stir in food coloring (if desired).
5. Transfer to canning jars to store for later use, or pour into a pie crust for a delicious, fresh cherry pie!
NOTE: If making for later use, this recipe needs to be stored in an airtight container in the refrigerator (for up to 2 weeks).
