

# cocktail Recipe

## Spiked Lemonade

### INGREDIENTS

1½-2 cups strawberry basil simple syrup (see recipe below)  
1½ cups lemon juice  
5 cups water  
2 cups vodka  
sliced strawberries, lemon wheels  
& basil leaves to garnish

### INSTRUCTIONS

- Add 5 cups water, 2 cups vodka, and 1 1/2 cups lemon juice in a pitcher and refrigerate. Make the simple syrup while those chill.
- Add up to 2 cups strawberry basil simple syrup to the lemonade mixture. Adjust cocktail portions to taste. Fill the remainder of the pitcher with ice and additional sliced strawberries, lemon wheels, and basil leaves, if desired. Chill before serving.

## Strawberry Basil Simple Syrup

### INGREDIENTS

1-pound strawberries, chopped  
1 small bunch fresh lemon basil  
2 cups sugar  
2 cups water

### INSTRUCTIONS

- Add all the ingredients to a medium saucepan and bring the mixture to a boil. Reduce heat to a simmer, and let it simmer for about 20 minutes. Stir occasionally with a wooden spoon, making sure to break up the strawberries to release their juice and bruise the basil to release its oils.
- Remove all chunks by straining the simple syrup into a container and allow to cool

