WHOLE MILK RICOTTA CHEESE

COUNTRY COUSINS FARM

Recipe adapted from Gavin Webber
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WHAT YOU NEED:

- Cooking thermometer
- Thin cloth for straining cheese (like butter muslin)
- ½ gallon of unpasteurized (raw) milk
- Citric acid
- Salt

STEPS:

- 1. Dissolve 1 tsp citric acid in ½ cup cold water. Set aside.
- 2. Measure 8 cups of milk into a large pot. Stir over medium heat until the milk is 190 degrees Fahrenheit.
- 3. While the hot milk is still over the heat, stir in ¼ cup of the citric acid/water. Slowly stir & curds of cheese should soon appear. Add more citric acid solution by tablespoon if you want the cheese to be more firm.
- 4. Remove the pot from the heat and let rest 5 minutes. Spoon cheese curds into a strainer lined with the muslin. After curds have drained for a while, put them in a bowl and stir in ½ tsp of salt (to taste). *Finished cheese should be refrigerated for up to 2 weeks or can be frozen.
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