LEMON GELATO

INGREDIENTS

2/3 cups lemon juice Lemon peel from 3 lemons 6 egg yolks

- 1 1/4 cups heavy whipping cream
- 2 1/2 cups half and half
- 1 1/4 cups sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract

DIRECTIONS

- 1. Squeeze 2/3 cup lemon juice.
- 2. Cut peel from 3 lemons. Wash the lemon peels to remove any juice and place in a separate bowl.
- 3. Separate 6 egg yolks into a mixing bowl and whisk in 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ cups heavy whipping cream.
- 4. In a small pot, heat 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ cups sugar and 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ cups half and half over medium heat. Add lemon peels. Stir until sugar dissolves. Remove from heat.
- 5. Temper: add about a spoonful of the warm mixture to the egg yolk mixture.
- 6. Gradually add the egg yolk mixture into the warm mixture.
- 7. Return to medium heat and cook until mixture thickens. It should be thick enough to cover a wooden spoon.
- 8. Remove from heat and stir in ½ teaspoon of vanilla extract.
- 9. Remove lemon peels.
- 10. Refrigerate overnight or cool over an ice bath.
- 11. When ready to make gelato, stir in lemon juice.
- 12. Add to ice cream maker and follow the machine's instructions.
- 13. Scoop and serve!

TIPS

- 1. Make sure to wash off juice from the lemon -- any juice present will make the milk curdle!
- 2. For fun plating cut different citrus fruits in half, scoop out flesh and replace with gelato.