## **Screaming Chief Pairing Recipe**

Chewy Dark Chocolate Meringue Cookies

## **Ingredients**

- 3 ¾ c powdered sugar
- 1 c Dutch process cocoa
- 4 tsp cornstarch
- ½ tsp salt
- 4 egg whites
- ½ tsp vanilla extract
- 1 tsp lemon juice
- 2 c chopped toasted walnuts
- 1 c chopped dried cherries



## **Directions**

Makes 36 cookies.

- 1. Preheat oven to 315 F.
- 2. Line 2 baking sheets with parchment paper.
- 3. Sift together sugar, cocoa, cornstarch and salt.
- 4. Gradually add egg whites, vanilla and lemon juice; stirring with a spoon until mixture forms a dough. (Mixture will be thick)
- 5. Add nuts and cherries; mix well.
- 6. Form dough into 36 balls or drop 1 generous Tbls mounds onto prepared baking sheet.
- 7. Bake 14 minutes (switching pans half-way through cook time) or until outside of cookie is set and dry.
- 8. Cool completely on sheet pans.
- 9. Store in an airtight container for up to a week.

## **Enjoy with your favorite Screaming Chief wine!**

