

Citrus-Cured Sockeye Salmon



Ingredients:

Kosher Salt – 5 oz
Granulated Sugar – $\frac{1}{2}$ cup
Light Brown Sugar – $\frac{1}{3}$ cup (packed)
Black Peppercorns – 1tsp, cracked
Coriander Seeds – 1 tsp
Fennel Seeds – 1 tsp
Crushed Red Pepper Flakes – $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp
Sockeye Fillet – 1½ lbs
Finely Grated Lemon Zest – $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp
Finely Grated Lime Zest – $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp
Finely Grated Orange Zest – $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp

Preparation:

Combine salt, granulated sugar, brown sugar, peppercorns, coriander seeds, fennel seeds, and red pepper flakes in a medium bowl.

Spread half of curing mix in the center of a foil-lined rimmed baking sheet roughly the same size as the fish.

Place fish, skin side down, on curing mixture.

Spread lemon zest, lime zest, and orange zest evenly over fish; cover with remaining curing mixture.

Bring edges of foil up and over salmon and crimp to enclose.

Place another baking sheet on top of salmon and weigh down with a heavy pot.

Chill, unwrapping and flipping fish halfway through, 24 hours.

Rinse fish and pat dry; place, skin side down, on a cutting board.

Using your longest, sharpest knife and wiping down blade with a moist towel between slices, cut flat on a diagonal $\frac{1}{8}$ " thick, leaving skin behind.

Salmon can be cured 3 days ahead. Cover tightly and chill.

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I'll cure this fish at home and bring it in.