## Freezing fresh fruit a cinch

Most fresh fruit is a cinch to freeze. In fact, freezing's probably the easiest way to preserve it. Handle only fairly small quantities -two or three quarts at a time. Wash in a wire basket, dunking deep into cold water. After peeling, trimming, pitting, etc., fix fruit much as you would if you were serving it fresh. Cut large fruits to convenient size, or crush. Leave small fruits whole, or crush if you wish. Crush soft fruits with a wire potato masher. For firm ones, use a food chopper. Don't use a blender or you'll wind up with puree, or even soup.

Fruit may be frozen in rigid containers or plastic bags, using either dry or liquid pack. Remember to leave head room for fruit to expand as it freezes. It has a tendency, also to float to the top where it will change color when exposed to air, so crumple waxed paper or plastic wrap on top to held fruit under the syrup.

To prevent darkening and help keep fruit from turning brown and mushylooking, be sure to use Fruit-Fresh in every batch. Fruit Fresh is a special formula that "locks in" just-picked firmness and flavor, keeps fruit looking and tasting its appetizing best. Fruit-Fresh is easy to use, dissolving instantly. Just sitr into fruit and seal. For results to be proud of, remember Fruit-Fresh and use it soon in this special recipe:

Avocado Stuffed with Tuna Salad 3 ripe avocados

2 tablespoons Fruit-Fresh 1 can (10 ounces) tuna, drained and flaked 1/2 cup chopped celery 1 can (11 ounces) mandarin

oranges, drained 1/4 cup chopped red onion 2 cups diced cooked potatoes

One-third cup mayonnaise One-third cup sour cream Salt and pepper

With sharp knife, cut avocados in half lengthwise. Remove seed. Sprinkle cut surfaces with Fruit-Fresh. In a bowl, mix remaining ingredients and season to tast with salt and pepper. Place avocados on serving platter and fill each half with a large mound of tuna mixture. Chill until ready to serve. Serve with thin slices of crisp French bread and glasses of iced tea. Serves



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