Rosemary Tonic for Cold Air

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This circulation-stimulating tonic is excerpted from Felicia's book, Earth Medicines.

ingredients

- 1-1 ½ cups fresh rosemary, chopped (leaves and stems)
- 4 cups bottom-shelf vodka
- 1-quart glass jar with lid

directions

- 1. Put the chopped rosemary in the jar and cover it with vodka.
- 2. Place the lid on the jar and label it.
- 3. Put your jar in a cool, dark cupboard for at least 1 month. After 1 month, you can strain the mixture or use it straight from the jar.

Yield: About 4 cups

This alcohol-based remedy will last indefinitely.

To use, pour a spoonful into your hands and massage it into your muscles and joints to stimulate circulation.



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