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This colorful, pickled vegetable recipe is easy to make and requires no canning procedure. A hot and sour brine is used to marinate the vegetables, and in a couple of days, your veggies will be ready.

Pickled Vegetables

For each recipe of the brine, choose one vegetable in the amount below:

12 oz. green string beans, ends trimmed

12 oz. okra

12 oz. cauliflower (about ½ medium head), cut into 1-in, florets

16 oz. baby carrots, green stems trimmed to ½ in., peeled and halved lengthwise

Brine

1 Tbsp. brown mustard seeds
1 tsp. whole black peppercorns
1½ cups cider vinegar
¾ cup water
½ cup granulated sugar
2 Tbsp. kosher salt
1 bay leaf



- 1. Pack your vegetables of choice tightly in a 1-quart glass jar, leaving $\frac{1}{2}$ inch of room at the top. Set aside.
- 2. Make the brine: Toast the mustard seeds and peppercorns in a small saucepan over medium-heat until fragrant, about 2 minutes. Add remaining ingredients, and stir until the sugar is dissolved. Bring to a boil.
- 3. Immediately pour the brine into the jar, making sure to cover the vegetables completely. Allow the mixture to cool to room temperature, about 1 hour. Seal the jar with a tight-fitting lid and shake or rotate it to evenly distribute the brine and spices. Store in the refrigerator for at least 1 day and preferably 1 week. The pickled vegetables can be kept refrigerated for up to 1 month.

