

Molasses

Blackstrap molasses

Molasses (Known as **treacle** in the [United Kingdom](#) if it was made to be eaten by humans) is a [by-product](#) of [sugar canes](#) or [sugar beets](#) being turned into [sugar](#). It is like a thick [syrup](#). Some people also call molasses **sorghum syrup**. The quality of the molasses depends on how the sugar is refined. Molasses is like a black golden syrup type liquid.

Molasses is the base for making [rum](#). Sometimes [vodka](#) is also made from molasses.

History

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Molasses was first imported to United States by the British, (The Sugar Act, 1764), during the early times of the United States. The United States got sugar from southern islands. While the United States was getting sugar, they decided to ask for the leftover material, or molasses. The United States then used the molasses for their personal use, as well as making it into rum to trade with other nations.

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