

Claims:

1. A beer beverage comprising 4-vinyl phenol (4VP) and 4-vinyl guaiacol (4VG) in the
5 4VG:4VP weight ratio of from 2.5 – 10, the overall weight proportion of 4VG and
4VP in the beverage being from 0.11 ppm to 0.56 ppm.
2. A beer beverage according to claim 1, in which the 4VG:4VP ratio is from 4-6.
- 10 3. A beer beverage according to claim 1, in which the overall weight proportion of
4VG and 4VP in the beverage is from 0.11ppm to 0.56ppm.
4. A beer beverage according to claim 3, in which the overall weight proportion of 4VG
and 4VP in the beverage is from 0.22 ppm to 0.28 ppm.
- 15 5. A method of conferring desirable beer-taste characteristics on a beer beverage ,
comprising the addition to the beverage of 4-vinyl phenol (4VP) and 4-vinyl
guaiacol (4VG) in the 4VG:4VP weight ratio of from 2.5 – 10, the overall weight
proportion of 4VG and 4VP in the beverage being from 0.1 ppm to 0.6 ppm.
- 20 6. A method according to claim 5, in which the 4VG:4VP ratio is from 4-6.
7. A method according to claim 5, in which the overall weight proportion of 4VG
and 4VP in the beverage is from 0.11ppm to 0.56ppm.
- 25 8. A method according to claim 7, in which the overall weight proportion of 4VG and
4VP in the beverage is from 0.22 ppm to 0.28 ppm.