CLAIMS

Claim 1. A method of producing a dealcoholized beverage, the method comprising the steps of:

(A) separating ethanol and an aroma component from an alcohol-containing beverage to obtain a mixture containing the ethanol and the aroma component and a residual liquid which remains after the separation of the ethanol and the aroma component from the alcohol-containing beverage;

(B) bringing a resin that adsorbs the aroma component into contact with the mixture containing the ethanol and the aroma component to cause the resin to adsorb the ethanol and the aroma component;

(C) removing the ethanol from the resin having adsorbed the ethanol and the aroma component;

(D) recovering the aroma component from the resin from which the ethanol was removed in the step (C); and

(E) mixing the residual liquid obtained in the step (A) with the aroma component obtained in the step (D) to obtain a dealcoholized beverage,

wherein in the step (C), the ethanol is removed by washing the resin having adsorbed the ethanol and the aroma component with water.

Claim 2. The method of producing a dealcoholized beverage according to claim 1,

wherein the alcohol-containing beverage has an ethanol concentration of 0.1 to 60 v/v%.

Claim 3. The method of producing a dealcoholized beverage according to claim 1 or 2,

wherein the alcohol-containing beverage is at least one of a brewed alcoholic drink or a distilled alcoholic drink each being made from at least one of a fruit or grain.

Claim 4. The method of producing a dealcoholized beverage according to any one of claims 1 to 3,
wherein the alcohol-containing beverage is beer, a fruit wine, or sake.

Claim 5. The method of producing a dealcoholized beverage according to any one of claims 1 to 4,
wherein the alcohol-containing beverage is beer.

Claim 6. The method of producing a dealcoholized beverage according to any one of claims 1 to 5,
wherein the dealcoholized beverage obtained in the step (E) has an ethanol concentration of lower than 0.005 v/v%.

Claim 7. The method of producing a dealcoholized beverage according to any one of claims 1 to 6,
wherein the resin is a styrene-based resin.

Claim 8. The method of producing a dealcoholized beverage according to any one of claims 1 to 7,
wherein in the step (D), the aroma component is recovered by eluting the aroma component from the resin with steam.

Claim 9. A method of producing an alcoholic beverage using a dealcoholized beverage produced by the production method according to any one of claims 1 to 8, the method comprising
mixing the dealcoholized beverage and ethanol to adjust the ethanol concentration in the alcoholic beverage.

Claim 10. A method of producing an aroma component from an alcohol-containing beverage, the method comprising the steps of:
(A) separating ethanol and an aroma component from an

alcohol-containing beverage to obtain a mixture containing the ethanol and the aroma component and a residual liquid which remains after the separation of the ethanol and the aroma component from the alcohol-containing beverage;

(B) bringing a resin that adsorbs the aroma component into contact with the mixture containing the ethanol and the aroma component to cause the resin to adsorb the ethanol and the aroma component;

(C) removing the ethanol from the resin having adsorbed the ethanol and the aroma component; and

(D) recovering the aroma component from the resin from which the ethanol was removed in the step (C),

wherein in the step (C), the ethanol is removed by washing the resin having adsorbed the ethanol and the aroma component with water.