3 STEPS ORANGE PEELER

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Field of the Invention

The invention pertains generally to an orange peeler and more specifically it relates to an orange peeler that enables the user to peel the orange in three easy steps that results the rind to be separated into two bowls.

Description of the Prior Art

Elongated orange peelers have been in the market for many years. They are not designed to peel oranges in three steps as the end of the orange peeler is too narrow. To peel oranges in three steps that will result the rind to be separated into two cups, the orange has to be scored along the circumference and an elongated device has to be inserted between the rind and the pulp through the opening made by scoring. Then the elongated device has to slide along the circumference separating the rind and the pulp. Using the narrow end of current orange peeler in the market as the elongated device mentioned above, pierces the rind or the pulp and causes the narrow end to get stuck. Results are often messy as the oranges are severed in the process because the end is too narrow.

These conventional orange peelers are designed to remove the rind after scoring the orange rind into four parts hence, peeling an orange takes more than three steps, more time consuming and the pith usually gets stuck in between the nails if fingers are used instead of the narrow end to remove the rind.

In these respects, the orange peeler according to the present invention substantially departs from the conventional concepts and designs of the prior art, and in so doing provides an apparatus primarily developed for the purpose of peeling an orange in three easy steps quickly, easily by separating the rind from the pulp cleanly.

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

In view of the forgoing disadvantages inherent in the known types of orange peelers now present in the prior art, the present invention provides an easier and faster way to peel an orange.

The present invention generally comprises an elongate body having a first end and a second end. It has a tapered spatula that is curved along its length with an arched end and rounded edge on first end, a tear-drop scorer on the other end and a rectangular structure with a hole opposite the tear-drop scorer.

There has thus been outlined, rather broadly, the more important features of the invention in order that the detailed description thereof may be better understood, and in order that the present contribution to the art may be better appreciated. There are additional features of the invention that will be described hereinafter and that will form the subject matter of the claims appended hereto.

In this respect, before explaining at least one embodiment of the invention in detail, it is to be understood that the invention is not limited in its application to the details of construction and to the arrangements of the components set forth in the following description or illustrated in the drawings. The invention is capable of other embodiments and of being practiced and carried out in various ways. Also, it is to be understood that the phraseology and terminology employed herein are for the purpose of the description and should not be regarded as limiting.

A primary object of the present invention is to provide an orange peeler that will overcome the shortcomings of the prior art devices.

A second object is to provide an orange peeler that is designed to peel an orange in three steps.

Another object is to provide an orange peeler that decreases the amount of time required to peel an orange.

An additional object is to provide an orange peeler that is an improvement upon conventional orange peelers.

A further object is to provide an orange peeler that reduces the need to use the fingers to peel the orange.

Another object is to provide an orange peeler that can be used as a spatula.

A further object is to provide an orange peeler that can be used as a spreader.

Another object is to provide an orange peeler that can be used as a stirrer

A further object is to provide an orange peeler that can open canister covers.

An additional object is to provide an orange peeler that can be used as a spoon.

A further object is to provide an orange peeler that is safe.

A further object is to provide an orange peeler that does not severe the pulp.

Another object is to provide an orange peeler that removes the rind into two bowls.

Another object is to provide an orange peeler that reduces the mess of peeling oranges.

Other objects and advantages of the present invention will become obvious to the reader and it is intended that these objects and advantages are within the scope of the present invention. To the accomplishment of the above and related objects, this invention may be embodied in the form illustrated in the accompanying drawings, attention being called to the fact, however, that the drawings are illustrative only, and that changes may be made in the specific construction illustrated and described within the scope of the appended claims.

BRIEF DESCRIPTIONS OF THE DRAWINGS

Various other objects, features and attendant advantages of the present invention will become fully appreciated as the same becomes better understood when considered in conjunction with the accompanying drawings, in which like reference characters designate the same or similar parts throughout the several views, and wherein:

FIG. 1 is a base view of the present invention.

FIG. 2 is a side view of the present invention.

FIG. 3 is an upper perspective view of the present invention scoring an orange.

FIG. 4 is an upper perspective view of the present invention inserted and sliding between an orange's rind and pulp.

FIG. 5 is an upper perspective view of the present invention inserted and sliding between an orange's rind and pulp along the lower hemisphere.

FIG. 6 is an upper perspective view of the end result of a peeled orange using the present invention.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENT

Turning now descriptively to the drawings, in which similar reference characters denote similar elements throughout the several views, **FIG. 1** through **5** illustrate an orange peeler **10**, which comprises an elongate body **22**, a spatula that is arched on first end **16**, with rounded edges **40** to allow the spatula to smoothly slide between the rind and pulp of an orange **FIG. 4** and **5**, a tear-drop scorer on second end **20** with rounded edges **60** to allow the scorer to easily score an orange **FIG. 3**, a rectangular structure with a hole on the second end **50** to remove the pith of an orange.

The spatula on the first end is curved **28** to conform to the shape of an orange so that it can slide deeper between the rind and pulp of an orange allowing maximum rind to be separated from the pulp facilitating easy removal of the rind **FIG. 6**.

The tear-drop scorer **20** is separated from the second end of the elongate body **10** by a support structure **26** to allow the scorer to pierce through the rind and sit between the rind and the pulp locking into place.

To peel the orange in tree steps, an orange must be scored along the circumference of the orange **24** with the tear-drop scorer **20**. Then, the spatula edge **40**, base of the spatula **16** facing the orange, must be inserted between the rind and the pulp in the upper hemisphere **70** and slide it along the scored circumference **24** of the orange **FIG. 4**. Finally, the spatula edge **40**, base of the spatula **16** facing the orange, must be inserted between the rind and the pulp in the lower hemisphere **80** and slide it along the scored circumference **24** of the orange **FIG. 5**.

The result will be two nicely peeled orange rind bowls separated from the pulp **FIG. 6**.

As to a further discussion of the manner of usage and operation of the present invention, the same should be apparent from the above description. Accordingly, no further discussion relating to the manner of usage and operation will be provided. With respect to the above description then, it is to be realized that the optimum dimensional relationships for the parts of the invention, to include variations in size, materials, shape, form, function and manner of operation, assembly and use, are deemed readily apparent and obvious to one skilled in the art, and all equivalent relationships to those illustrated in the drawings and described in the specification are intended to be encompassed by the present invention. Therefore, the foregoing is considered as illustrative only of the principles of the invention. Further, since numerous modifications and changes will readily occur to those skilled in the art, it is not desired to limit the invention to the exact construction and operation shown and described, and accordingly, all suitable modifications and equivalents may be resorted to, falling within the scope of the invention.

CLAIMS

1. An orange peeler, comprising:

an elongate body having a first end and a second end. It has a tapered spatula that is curved along its length with an arched end and rounded edge on first end, a tear-drop scorer on the other end and a rectangular structure with a hole opposite the tear-drop scorer.

2. The orange peeler of claim **1**, wherein said spatula is tapered towards the end.
3. The orange peeler of claim **2**, wherein said spatula's end is arched like a spoon.
4. The orange peeler of claim **3**, wherein said spatula's edge is rounded.
5. The orange peeler of claim **2**, wherein said spatula is curved along its length **FIG. 2, 28**.
6. The orange peeler of claim **1**, wherein said tear-drop scorer's edge is rounded.
7. The orange peeler of claim **6**, wherein said tear-drop scorer is separated from the second end of the elongate body by a support structure **FIG. 2, 26**.
8. The orange peeler of claim **1**, wherein said rectangular structure with a hole is positioned opposite the tear-drop scorer.

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