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Significance: The synthesis of chiral homoallylic amines was easily performed in methanol as a solvent under very mild conditions, thus tolerating a number of functional groups. The reagents and auxiliary used are cheap, and the products can be further transformed into various optically pure products.

Comment: This is probably the simplest route to optically pure homoallylamines from aldehydes. The chiral auxiliary is commercially available and can be removed from the products by a number of ways. Homoallylic amines may serve as intermediates for the synthesis of some important classes of products, therefore such a mild and facile method of their synthesis has been highly desirable.

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