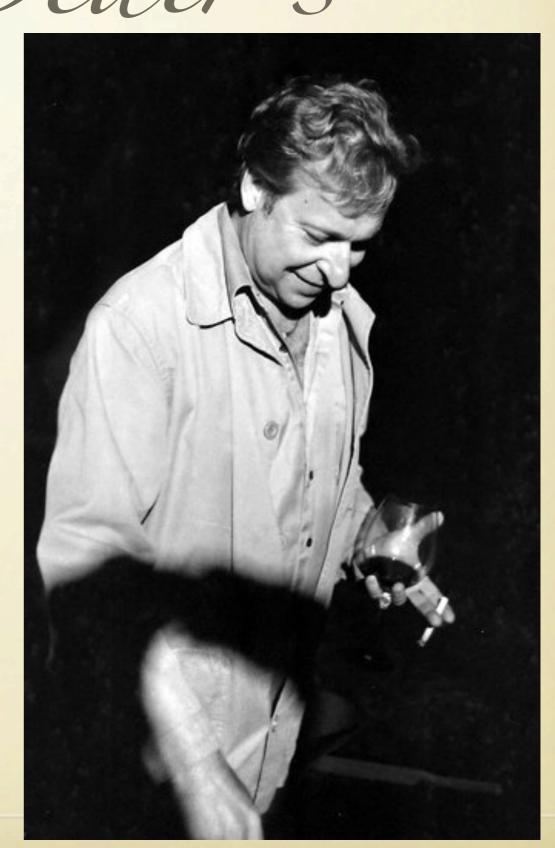
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1 Appetizers

1.1 BROILED ROSEMARY CHEVRE BREAD

For each 6 1/4 inch thick slices of french bread -

- 2 yellow onions diced 1/4"
- 2 oz rosemary flavored olive oil
- 3 minced cloves garlic
- 1 oz sundried tomatoes
- 1 tsp fresh thyme
- 4 oz goat cheese
- salt pepper to taste

Preheat oven to broil. Brush 1 oz rosemary oil on the bread. Set aside. Heat 1 oz rosemary oil over med high to smoking. Add garlic and sautee till golden brown. Add onions and reduce heat to low. Sprinkle salt and pepper. Cook 15 min stirring to prevent scorching. Add sun dried tomatoes. Cook 1 more min. Remove from heat and set aside. Toast oiled bread in broiler till brown. Spread bread with oinion mixture. Crumble goat cheese on top. sprinkle with thyme and pepper. Return to brioler for 3 min. Serve warm with crisp chilled Sauvignon Blanc.



1.2 GRILLED MUSHROOMS

large wild mushrooms polenta head of garlic 1/2 c heavy cream 6oz gorgonzola chives

This recipe really makes an impression when barbequeing for guests... since it is just not the kind of fare one associates with grilling.... it looks like a fancy kitchen is mandatory for this.

Get some large wild mushrooms, with caps about 3" in diameter. Slice them to about 1/2" thick, keeping the stems intact.

Make some polenta. Just follow instructions on the box....you end up pouring this into a square pan. Cut it into squares about 3" by 3".

Make sauce: cut off the top third of a whole head of garlic without unpeeling it, just to expose the tops of the cloves. Drizzle olive oil on top, and wrap in alum foil. Bake in 375 deg oven for about 45 min to 1 hour, until soft. When cool, squeeze the garlic meat into 1/2 c heavy cream, and whisk. Trim the waxy crust off a 6 oz piece of Cambozola cheeze, and cut it up into squares. Heat the cream-garlic over medium heat and add the cheeze until it melts to form smooth sauce.

Brush olive oil on the polenta and grill about 3-5 min per side on a medium hot charcoal or wood fire. Move to the edges of the grill to keep warm. Brush the mushrooms with olive oil then grill for 3-5 min on a side until tender.

In each plate, put a square of polenta, top with mushrooms, pour over sause. Then take a handful of chives and cut them with scissors into pieces about 1/4 inch long directly onto the dish....you can do this at the table while serving.

1.3 LA GOUGERE

7 large eggs

1.5 c water
6 tablesp butter
1 tablesp suger
1 tsp salt
1/2 tsp crushed red pepper flakes
1.66666 c all purpose flour
6 ounces of Gruyere cheese, or swiss

Place rack in center of oven and preheat to 425. Oil a 15 inch round pizza pan or large cookie sheet.

Bring water, butter, sugar, salt and pepper flakes to a simmer in a 2 qt saucepan. Add flour and beat vigorously with a wooden spoon until flour is incorporated. Cook, stirring constatuly until a film developes in the bottom of pan. This takes just one or 2 minutes. Remove from heat and let rest a couple minutes.

Use the shredding disc of the food processor to shred the cheeze. Remove half from the work bowl a reserve. Add dough to the workbowl of processor and use the metal blade to process the dough with the cheese for 15 seconds. With machine running, pour the eggs through the feed tube and process about 20 seconds.

Spoon the mixture into a large doughnut shape on the sheet. Sprinkel with the remaining cheese. Bake in preheated oven for 20 min. Reduce temp to 400 and continue baking until golden, about 30 minutes more.

Use a serrated knife to cut into wedges.

1.4 CHEESE FONDUE

1 garlic clove

1.5 cups dry white wine

1 Tblsp cornstarch

2 tsp kirsch

1/2 lb Emmental cheese, coarsely grated (2 cups)

1/2 lb Gruyére cheese, also coarsely grated

Run inside of heavy pot with cut sides of garlic, then discard garlic

Add wine to the pot and bring just to a simmer over moderate heat.

Stir together cornstarch and kirsch in a cup.

Gradually add cheese to pot and cook, stirring constantly in a zigzag motion (not circular) to prevent cheese from balling up, until cheese is just melted and creamy. Do not let boil.

Stir cornstarch mixture again and stir into fondue. Bring fondue to a simmer and cook, stirring, until thick, about 5-8 minutes.

Transfer to fondue pot set over flame and serve with French bread for dipping.

1.5 PARISIAN CREPES

Revealed by my French friend Denis in an email. I can hear the accent every time I read this.

10 soup spoons of flour 4 eggs 3/4 liter milk, approximately Grand Marnier

Take 10 soup spoons of flour. Put 4 eggs in it, and mixed them to get a thick homogeneous dough. Then add milk very slowly. It has to be added very slowly to get an homogeneous dough without lumps. You fist start by adding a drop or two, then mixed, then add again a few more drops, then mixed again and keep going. You can add bigger amount of milk as the dough becomes more liquid, it is just the beginning which matters. I don't know the precise quantity of milk you should put (i always to do it by looking at dough i get), but it should something like 3/4 L of milk. The dough you should get should be not to thick in order to get thin 'crepes' but not too liquid as otherwise you cannot cook them well (but this does not help you much). I add a bit of 'fleurs d'oranger' (liquid, no alcohol), for the flavor (but you change and put say a bit of 'grand marnier'). It is then better to wait, say 1 hour, before cooking. The dough will then becomes i bit thicker, so add a bit of milk again before cooking if needed. ——— To cook them well, the pan has to be very hot. I put a tiny a bit of oil in the pan (i put some oil in a small cup, cut a potato in a half and prick it in a fork, and use it to lay a small layer of oil in the pan). Use a ladle to poor the dough into the pan. With the pan in one hand and the ladle in the other, you poor in the middle and then move the pan around/up/down to lay the dough all around the pan (in a thin enough layer). Use a spatula to turn the 'crepes'. (Notice that both side of the 'crepe' don't look that same once cooked). you want to prepare them in advance and keep them warm, you can put the crepes one after the others in a big sheet of aluminium paper that you use to recover the pile of crepes (ie you put the first crepes, and then the others, in the middle of the aluminium sheet and use both sides of the sheet to recover the piles of crepes, or you can put them on a plat which is over of boiling water. If you are going to eat the crepes with sweet side-dishes, you can put a bit of powder sugar over each crepes of the piles (then the sugar will get absorbed by the crepes and becomes a bit crispy).

French translation
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4 oeufs,
3/4 ou 1L de lait,
Fleur d'oranger,
sucre, confiture, chocolat fondu, coco, grand marnier, au choix.

Verser 10 cuillres soupe de farine dans un grand saladier. Y mettre 4 oeufs, bien mlanger afin d'obtenir une pte paisse homogne. Ajouter alors le lait.

Notes: le lait doit tre ajout trs doucement pour viter les grumeaux. Commencer ajouter quelques gouttes de lait, mlanger, puis recommencer, etc. On peut augmenter petit petit la quantit de lait au fur mesure que la pte devient plus liquide; ou utiliser un 'mixer' (on peut alors mettre tous les ingrdients dans le dsordre mais a a moins de charme). Je ne connais pas la quantit preise de lait mais environ 3/4 de litre (j'ajuste toujours la quantit au vu de la consistance de la pte. A la fin, la pte ne doit pas tre trop paisse afin d'obtenir des crpes assez fines mais pas trop liquide non plus sinon on ne peut pas bien cuire les crpes (bon ce commentaire n'aide pas beaucoup...).

Ajouter un peu de fleur d'oranger liquide pour le got (on peut aussi la remplacer par une demi-goutte de grand marnier, du rhum,...). Attendre 1 heure (c'est prfrable mais pas obligatoire). La pte s'paissit alors un peu, rajouter un peu de lait si ncessaire.

Pour cuire les crpes, la pole doit tre tre chaude (sinon les crpes attachent et ne peuvent tre bien retournes). Utiliser une louche pour verser la pte dans la pole. Utiliser une spatule pour retourner les crpes mi-cuisson (on peut aussi les retourner en les lanant en l'air mais cela demande un peu d'adresse).

Notes: Je mets un peu d'huile sur la pole avant de cuire chaque crpe (afin de ne pas en mettre trop, je coupe une pomme de terre en deux, la pique sur une fourchette, et l'utilise pour tendre une fine couche d'huile). Pour verser la pte en une fine couche dans la pole, tenir la pole dans une main, la louche dans l'autre, verser et faire bouger la pole de haut en bas, de droite gauche, afin de repartir la pte.

Notes: Si vous voulez prparer les croes l'avance et les garder chaudes, vous pouvez les empiler les unes sur les autres sur une feuille d'aluminium assez grande afin de retourner les deux bords de la feuille sur les croes pour les recouvrir, ou vous

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pouvez les mettre sur un plat pos sur une casserole d'eau chaude. Si vous comptez manger les crpes avec des accompagnements sucrs, vous pouvez saupoudrez du sucre sur chacune des crpes de la pile, avant de dposer la suivante (alors le sucre pntrera dans les crpes qui deviendront un tout petit peu croustillantes).

Bon apptit!

2 SOUPS

2.1 PERSIAN POMEGRANATE SOUP

1' lean ground lamb
2 medium onions
1/4 tsp cinnamon
1/4 tsp alspice
1/2 tsp salt and pepper
1c long grain rice, like Basmati or Jasmine pomegranate
lime
1/4 fresh spinach
parsely
sugar
dried mint leaves

In a large bowl, combine 1' lean ground lamb, 2 medium onions finely chopped, 1/4 tsp cinammon, 1/4 tsp alspice, 1/2 tsp salt and 1/2 tsp pepper. Mix well with your hands. Roll teaspoons of the meat mixture into firm balls and place on a lightly oiled platter. These are the meatballs...about 50 or so.

Pour 10 c cold water into a large sauce pan. Add 1.5 tsp salt and bring to a boil. Add 1c long grain rice, like Basmati or Jasmine. Reduce the heat to moderate and simmer for 5 min. Add 2c fresh squeezed pomegranate juice, 2 tblsp fresh lime juice, 1/4 pound fresh spinach with leaves cut into 1" strips, 1/2 c chopped parsely, 1 tblsp sugar, and the meatballs and bring to boil. Reduce heat and simmer partially covered until rice is tender and meatballs are cooked through about 15 min.

Rub 3 tblsp dried mint between fingers to form a fine powder. In a small bowl combine mint with 1 tsp salt and 1 tsp pepper.

Ladle soup into bowls and sprinkle generously with the mint powder.

2.2 ROASTED GARLIC AND ARUGULA SOUP

3/4 c garlic 6c chicken stock. 1 3/4 c potatoes onion bay leaf 1 c chopped arugula 1/4 c heavy cream

Preheat oven to 350. Combine 3/4 cup peeled garlic and 1 T olive oil in a bowl. Spred on a cookie sheet and bake for about 20 to 25 min.

Combine 6 c chicken stock, 1.75 pounds potatoes, 1 medium onion (sliced) and 1 bay leaf. Boil for about 45 min until potatoes are cooked. Remove bay leaf and add garlic. Puree in a food processor in batches and return to pot.

Add 1 c chopped arugula and 1/4 c heavy cream. SEason with salt and pepper and heat through again.

2.3 BOUILLABAISE WITH COD

2 whitings, 1/2' each onion fennel knob 2 stalks celery 1 carrot garlic 2 tomatoes tomato paste 2c white wine bay leaf 2 sprigs of thyme saffron cayene potatoes 2' codfish or other flaky fish. parsley

- 1. Eviscerate 2 whitings, about 1/2 pound each. You can use other small fish that disintegrate easily when cooked. Remove gills, wash under cold water and cut into 2" lengths.
- 2. Heat 1/4 c olive oil in a large heavy bottomed pot over high heat. Add fishes, 1 med onion sliced, 1 small knob of fennel cut into pieces, 2 stalks celery chopped up, 1 chopped up carrot. Saute over high heat for 5 min.
- 3. Add 2 chopped cloves garlic, 2 chopped tomatoes, and a tblsp tomato paste. Cook for 15 min over high heat until you form a puree.
- 4. Add 6c water, 2c white wine, 1 bay leaf, 2 sprigs thyme, 10 threads saffron, 2 pinches cayene and some salt. Bring to a boil, cover and boil vigorously for 1 hour.
- 5. Push everything through a sieve, pressing firmly to force things through. Return soup to pot.
 - $6.\ \mathrm{Add}\ 2$ sliced potatoes and cook for 10 minutes.
- 7. Cut 2 pounds codfish into 8 pieces, add to pot. Bring to boil and simmer gently over low heat for 10 minutes. Do not boil. Serve in soup plates sprinked with parsely.

Variations: can add clams and crab legs. Add more saffron also.

2.4 RED PEPPER AND FENNEL SOUP

6 red peppers

8 carrots

2 fennel bulbs

2 leeks

1 onion

2 garlic cloves

fresh basil

chopped parsley

Roast 6 red pepper under the broiler until charred. Put in a paper bag for 15 minutes to steam, then peel and discard seeds, etc. Coarsely chop.

In a soup pot, heat 3 Tblsp olive oil and add the following, all coarsely chopped: 8 carrots, 2 fennel bulbs, 2 leeks, 1 small onion, and 2 garlic cloves. Cook about 10 minutes until softened.

Add the peppers, 1/2 cup white wine, 4 thyme sprigs, 1 teaspoon fennel seeds, 4 cups of water, and 2 Tblsp Pernod anise liqueur (optional). Season with salt and pepper.

Cook for about 45 minutes, covered.

Put everything through a food processor. Add 2 tblsp chopped fresh basil, and 2 tblsp chopped parsely.

Serve hot or cold.

2.5 SOUPE JEANNETTE

3 carrots

2 turnips

3 leeks

3 large potatoes

8c chicken stock

60z green beans

3/4 c peas

butter

1' sorrel

chervil leaves

Put 3 medium carrots (quartered), 2 medium white turnips (quartered), 3 leeks (quartered) and 3 large potatoes (quartered) into a saucepan with 8c chicken stock and add a little salt. Bring to boil, reduce heat, and simmer gently for 40 min.

Cut 6 oz of green beans into 1/2" lengths, and boil in salted water for 10 min. Add 3/4 cup peas and cook until tender, about 5 more minutes.

(If using frozen peas cook less). Drain beans and peas and refresh under cold running water.

Heat 1 tbslp butter in a sauce pan over medium heat . Add 1 pound finely sliced sorrel and cook until soft.

Pass the cooked carrots, turnips, leeks and potatoes and broth through food mill, or puree in a food processor. Return to saucepan and stir in 3/4 c milk, 2 tblsp butter. Season with salt and pepper. Add green beans, peas and sorrel and reheat a few minutes.

Garnish with chervil leaves.

2.6 PUMPKIN AND MUSHROOM ZOUPE

For about 15-20 people.

7 slices bacon
onion
butter
diced mushrooms, lots, about 2" deep in the bottom of pot
sherry
medium pumpkin
100 oz chicken broth
thyme sprigs
mace
cayenne
heavy cream

Dice into small pieces about 7 thick cut slices of bacon, and add them to a large pot. Cook over medium heat until bacon is browned. Leaving the fat in there, add a diced onion 3 tablespoons of butter, and LOTS of diced mushrooms. Probably about 4-5 cups. Be sure to use flavorful mushrooms like shitake, portabello, criminni. Saute the mushrooms over medium high heat until they give up their juice. Deglaze the pan with a bit of sherry. Then add meat from a medium sized pumpkin, already cooked. (about 4-5 cups of cooked pumpkin) and 2 large cans (50 oz each) of chicken broth. Add a few sprigs of thyme, 1/4 tsp of mace, and 1/8 tsp cayenne pepper. Add about 1/4 cup sherry. Adjust seasonings when broth warms up.

Simmer about 1.5 hours, occasionally using a potatoe masher to break up any pumpkin chunks. You should simmer it covered. If it isn't thick enough at the end, the simmer uncovered for a while.

When done cooking, stir in some heavy cream...just enough so that the color comes out. About 1/2 - 3/4 cup, no more.

Cooked pumpkin: if in a hurry, you can alays use canned. Fresh: cut a medium sized pumpkin in half. scoop out seeds and stringy stuff. Place on a cookie sheet, cut side down, and bake for about 1.5 hours. At about 300 degrees.

2.7 SOPA DE AJO

OJO! Mucho ajo. Recipe from Casa Irene in the Pyrenes.

- 8 large cloves garlic
- $8~\mathrm{c}$ chicken broth, preferable homemade seasoned with bayleaf, thyme sprigs, peppercorns, onion.
 - 3 tblsp dry fino sherry.
 - day old baguette
 - 3 eggs
 - 1/2 c cream

Saute' the whole peeled garlic cloves in 3 tblsp olive oil until browned and softened. Crush them with a fork and add to the hot broth. Add sherry and let sit warm for about 1 hour. Slice the baguette into 3/4" slices and fry in the oil until golden. Press the garlic through a strainer. Beat eggs until frothy. Beat in the cream. Reheat the broth until just below boiling. Slowly beat in the egg/cream into the broth. Can't be too hot or it will curdle. Serve with the fried bread. Serve with Mouton Rothschild '90.

PHÓ

Vietnamese soup

a potful of chicken broth
1 whole onion
4 scallion stalks
5 anise stars
10 1/4" peeled slices of ginger
Banh Pho, rice noodles
Thai purple basis
bean sprouts
lime wedges
hoisin sause
ground red chile paste

Fill a large pot with chicken broth and put on high heat. Peel onion and place in the pot whole. Cut scallion stalks in half and add the white parts. Add anise stars and ginger. Simmer until ready to serve. Maybe add a bit of sugar if not sweet enough from the onions.

Boil noodles until al dente and strain.

To serve: place noodles in bowl and add broth. On table have garnish of sauses, basil, lime, sprouts.

2.8 LOBSTER BISQUE

about 6 people

Boil 2 lobsters in 3 cups of chicken broth for about 20 minutes. Reserve the broth. Remove the meat from the lobsters. Crack the shells of the lobster and replace in the pot. Add 4 cut up celery stalks, one sliced onion, a bay leaf, 6 peppercorns, 10 corriander seeds, a bit of mustard seed, some crushed saffron threads, some cayenne pepper, and hot paprika. Boil covered for about 1 hour. Strain the broth.

In a saucepan melt 1/4 c butter and add 1/4 c flour. Add 3 c milk. And 1/4 tsp nutmeg. Cook until smooth for about 10 min. Add the cut up lobster meat. Add 1/2 c heavy cream and a little (1/4 c) dry sherry just before serving.

3 SALADS

3.1 CAESAR SALAD

1 clove garlic
juice of 1/2 lemon
3 anchovie
couple dashes of tabasco
few dashes of worstershire
1 T Dijon mustard
1 T balsamic
3/8 c olive oil
1 tsp mayonaise
pepper
1/2 c Tablespoons parmesan
3/4 c croutons.
1 head romaine lettuce

Crush one garlic clove and rub into the sides of bowl. Mash up garlic as much as possible...it may help to soak in olive oil the day before. Mash the anchovie into a paste with the crushed garlic with a fork. Add juice of 1/2 lemon, anchovies, worstershire, tabasco, Dijon mustard, balsamic vinegar, mayo and pepper. Mix well with a fork. Toss with lettuce, parmesan, and croutons. Serve immediately.

Meat



4 MEAT

4.1 TANGY LAMBSTEW

This is a very unique dish. Cook the meat the night before and store in the frig. Then the next day you can skim off the fat and proceed.

- 1 tsp fresh ground pepper
- 1 pound lean lamb shoulder, cut into 1 inch cubes
- 3 tblsp olive oil
- 1 tsp cayenne red pepper
- 1 chopped medium onion
- 1 tblsp tomato paste
- 1 4 pound butternut squash. Peeled and cut into 1 inch cubes
- a few potatoes, cut into 1" cubes
- 1.5 cups cooked chick peas, from can is ok.
- 1 large ripe tomato...peeled and seeded
- 1 medium garlic clove
- 1/4 c fresh lemon juice
- 1 tsp cayenne red pepper
- 3 tsp hot hungarian paprika
- 2 tsp dried mint leaves. Important these are dried.

Sprinkle half of the black pepper on the meat. In a large pot, heat 2 tablespoons of oil on medium high. Addd the meat and cook, stirring until the juices evaporate about 10 min. Add the onion and cook another 10 minutes until brown.

Add the tomato paste and red pepper (1 tsp) and cook until mizture starts to carmelize. Add 1.5 c water, cover, reduce heat and cook for about 45 min. Remove from heat and refrigerate if you want to remove fat. Next day skim off fat on top and proceed. Otherwise just proceed.

Add the squash, chickpeas, tomato, garlic, 1/2 tsp salt and just enough water to cover ingredients. Cover and cook about 30 min until the squash is soft.

Remove from heat and add lemon juice. Salt to taste.

Rub the remaining 1/2 tsp black pepper, 1 tsp cayenne, 3 tsp paprika, and mint through a fine sieve to make a fine powder. Heat 1 tblsp olive oil until sizzling. Add these spices to oil, swirl just a bit. This makes an aromatic potion. Stir this potion into the stew stir once, and serve right away.



4.2 STEAK WITH CAPER WINE SAUCE

steaks shallots 1/2 c red wine 3 tblsp capers arrowroot

Remove the steaks and keep them warm (200 deg) in the oven. Add 3 tblsp butter and 5 tblsp chopped shallots. Cook until shallots are golden. Add 1/2 cup red wine and 3 tblsp capers. Cook for about 1 minute. Mix 1 tsp arrowroot with 2 tsp cold water, and then addd this to the sause. Cook another 20 seconds until thickened.



4.3 GRILLED LEG OF LAMB

- 5 pound leg of boned, butterfly with fat removed
- 5 rosemary cuttings
- 5 garlic cloves sliced thinly
- 5 tsp soy souce
- 5 tsp dijon mustard
- .5 cups firmly packed brown sugar
- 1.5 cups of dry red wine

Lay lamb boned side up and make lots of little cuts in the meat. Insert a 1 inch piece of rosemary and a slice of garlic into each cuts.

Mix wine, sugar, soy sauce, and mustard in a big food bag. Add the lamb. Mix it all up. Be careful the rosemary and garlic don't fall out of the cuts. Seal and marinate for most of the day.

Make sure the coals are gray then push them to the sides and put in a drip pan in the middle. (Or else the flames come up and burn the lamb.) You can also add some more brickettes to each side then if you want (not the ready start kind though). Then grill the lamb 5-6 inches above the coals. Use the marinade as BBq sauce and cover the barbeque.

Cook about 40 min mins till 140 degrees in the center. Transfer to a serving board and garnish with more rosemary. Slice it thinly.

4.4 POT EN POT, or SIX PATES

A traditional French-Canadian dish perfect for late drinking parties

- * 3-4 pounds of assorted meats. Game preferable. Some should be fatty. Venison and chicken breast, if bacon is used, was excellent. Cut up in 1/2 " cubes.
 - * 1/2 lb+ of bacon. Depending on fat content of meat.
 - * 2 medium onions, chopped fine.
 - * 5 potatoes, medium, cut up in 1/2" cubes.
 - * 8 carrots, cut into 1/2" pieces.
 - * beef broth.
 - * nutmeg
 - * Pate dough: 2 cups flour, 1 tsp salt, 1 cup cold water.
- 1. Fry the bacon until cooked. Add onions and brown. Add meat and brown. Add nutmeg to taste, at least 1/2 tsp. Can add a bit of cumin, just a pinch.
- 2. Reduce heat and simmer. Add enough beef broth to keep the meat 3/4 submerged. Simmer about 1.5 2 hours until meat tender. Pour off broth and save.
- 3. In bottom of pot, make a layer of potatoes carrots and meat. Roll out dough to a thin sheet and lay over the meat. Repeat until you have about 3 or 4 layers.
- 4. Put a few carrots on top (whole) and some paprika. Add broth to cover 3/4 ingredients. Cover and simmer for about 1 hour, until potatoes are cooked.

4.5 MOROCCAN SPICE RUB

for earth pit lamb

1c olive oil

2c fresh chopped mint

1c chopped parsley

3 tblsp ground ginger

1 tblsp: ground allspice, cinamon, black pepper, patrika, ground corriander, salt

1 tsp ground red pepper

1 tsp ground cloves.





4.6 FEIJOADA BAIANA ATRAPALHADA (sem pés)

"O prato mais nacional e popular do Brasil, preferido por todas as classes e em todo o ano."

- 2 lb feijão preto (frijoles negros, black beans man!)
- 1/2 lb bacon
- 1 large green pepper, chopped
- 1 large red pepper, chopped
- 1 large sweet onion, chopped
- 6 cloves of garlic, cut up fine.
- 3 tomatoes, cut up
- 2 tsp oregano or thyme (dry)
- 8 sprigs mint
- 4 bay leaves
- 1/2+ tsp cayene red pepper
- 1 lb chorizo, cut up
- 1 lb pork ribs
- 1+ Tblsp BBQ sauce
- 4 oz cut up beef jerky
- orelhas de porco si quieras
- black pepper
- 1/2 lb cut up pork
- 2 Tbl. tomato paste
- 1 tsp sugar
- 1/2 cup red wine
- 3 Sazón packets (Goya)

Soak the beans in water, just enough to keep them covered. Don't discard the water. Cut up the bacon and saute in a large pot with a little olive oil. When browned, add the peppers, onions and garlic and brown. Add chorizo, pork and ribs, and also brown. Add beans (with soaking water) and all other ingredients except sugar. Cook slowly, letting it thicken, perhaps occasionally adding more water, for about 4 hours. At the end add just enough sugar to cut bitterness, but not enough to taste. Add tabasco if not spicy enough.

4.7 PORC AU TOMATE

- 1 1b pork chops, thinly sliced is preferable.
- 1 large onion cut up into 4 pieces
- 2 shallots
- bay leaf
- 1 cup tomato sauce, can be spaghetti sauce (with sausage is nice) or a mixture.
- black pepper
- 3 potatoes
- 4-6 carrots, sliced lengthwise.
- 1. Fry the chops with a bit of olive oil in a saucepan until browned. Remove chops.
 - 2. Sautee the shallots in the pan. Add a bit of water or white wine to deglaze.
- 3. Add tomato sauce, onion, bay leaf and black pepper. Replace chops and cook over low heat for 30 minutes.
- 4. Cut potatoes into slices about 1/2" thick and add to pan. Add carrots. Cook over low heat until potatoes are done (about 20-30 minutes). serve with piri-piri

4.8 BEEF STEW PROVENCAL

3 pounds lean stew beef cut into 1 inch cubes

1/2 pound mushrooms, whole or cut depending on size

2 finely chopped garlic cloves

1/2 pound onions, left whole if small

1/8-1/4 cup flour

1 cup dry red wine

2 cups canned to matoes, left whole or cut in half. Fresh to matoes also work well. pitted green olives

1 bay leaf

1/2 tsp dried thyme

cayenne pepper

1/2 tsp saffron

1/4 cup chopped parsley

2 cups beef broth

4 medium sized potatoes cut up into 3/4" cubes.

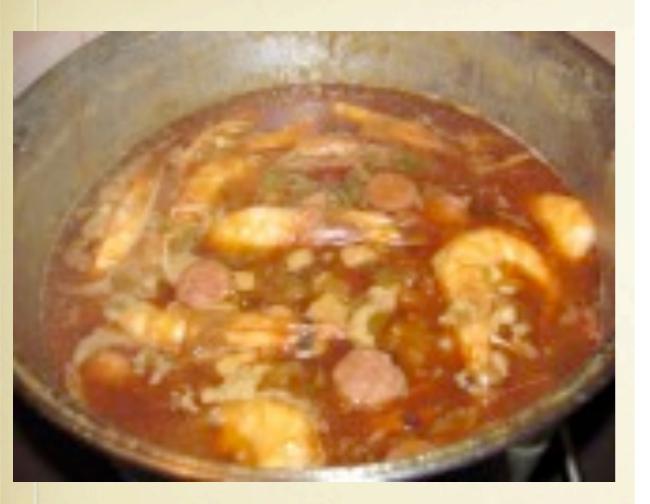
3 carrots

1. Trim meat of all fat and sprinkle with salt and pepper. Heat olive oil (about 3 Tblsp) over high heat, until almost smoking, and brown the beef all over.

2. Add garlic and stir. Add onions and mushrooms. Sprinkle with flour and stir to coat the pieces. Add the wine, beef broth, tomatoes, thyme, bay leaf, cayenne to taste (a few large pinches), saffron and carrots. Bring to boil, lower heat, and cover.

3. Cook for about 1 hour. Add potatoes and cook until done. Serve with chopped parsley and olives.

serve with piri-piri



4.9 CHICKEN AND ANDOUILLE SAUSAGE GUMBO

1 cut up chicken
1 c finely chopped onions
1 c finely chopped green bell pepper
3/4 c finely chopped celery
1 1/4 c flour
garlic powder
cayenne red pepper
vegetable oil for frying
7 cups chicken stock, low salt
1/2 lb andouille sausage
1 tsp minced garlic
Rice

Remove excess fat from chicken pieces. Rub a generous amount of garlic powder and red pepper on chicken, and let stand at room temp for 30 minutes.

Meanwhile, in a bowl combine onions, bell pepper and celery and set aside.

Combine the flour, 1/2 tsp garlic powder and 1/2 tsp red pepper in a bag, add chicken, and shake. Reserve 1/2 cup of the flour.

In a large heavy pot, heat 1.5 inches of oil until very hot. Fry the chicken until crust is brown and meat cooked, about 5-8 minutes per side. Drain on paper towels. Pour out oil, and reserve 1/2 cup and return to pot.

Over high heat, using a metal whisk, gradually stir in the 1/2 cup reserved flour. Cook, whisking constantly, until roux is dark red-brown to black, about 4 minutes. Remove from heat and add vegetables, stirring until the roux stops getting darker. Lower heat and cook until veggies are soft, about 5 minutes.

Add the stock, and scrap particles off the bottom. Simmer and add sausage and minced garlic. Add salt to taste. Simmer about 1 hour.

While the gumbo is simmering, bone the chicken and cut into 1/2 inches dices. Stir in chicken at end, and adjust salt and pepper.

Ladle gumbo around mounds of rice.

4.10 PORK CHOPS WITH MUSTARD SAUCE

4 pork chops, center cut

1/3 c finely chopped onion

1/2 tsp finely minced garlic

1/2 c dry white wine

1/2 c canned chicken broth

1/4 tsp arrowroot or cornstarch

1 tsp Dijon mustard

2 tablespoons thinly sliced cornichons

2 Tbls fined chopped parsley

Sprinkle chops on both sides with salt and pepper. Heat oil in large enough skillet. When very hot add the chops and cook over moderately high heat about 5 minutes. Turn the chops and cook on the second side 5 minutes. Reduce heat and cook about 15 minutes, turning the chops occasionally.

Remove chops and pour off most of the fat. Add onion and garlic and cook until onion is wilted. Add the wine and stir to remove particles. Cook until the wine is reduced to 2 Tblsp. Add the broth and bring to boil.

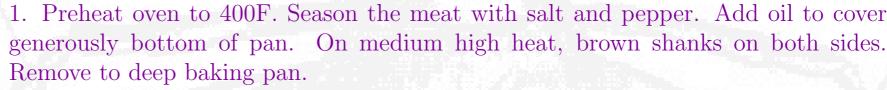
Blend the arrowroot and 2 more Tbls of stock and stir into sauce. Add mustard and cornichons.

Spoon the sauce over the chops and sprinkle with parsley.

4.11 OSSO BUCO PIQUANTE



- 3 Tblsp olive oil
- 1 cup each diced onion, celery and carrots
- 8 cloves garlic
- 2 cups dry red wine
- 1 cup chicken stock
- 2 bay leaves
- 1/2+ tsp crushed red pepper flakes



- 2. Add the diced vegetables and garlic and cook until browned. Add wine and bring to boil, deglazing.
- 3. Add the contents of skillet to baking pan, add bay leaves and red peper. Add chicken broth to cover, up to 1+ cups. Cover and bake about 1.5-2 hours.

optional: In skillet cook (in a bit of oil) 4 large leaves red chard and 1/4 cup cooked white beans until chard wilts. Add 3 cups of defatted braising liquid and bring to boil. Reduce by 1/3. Pour sauce over shanks.



4.12 INDONESIAN BEEF RENDANG IN THE CROC

- 2 medium onions, roughly chopped
- 3 garlic cloves, roughly chopped
- 1 Tblsp fresh ginger, chopped
- 4 small red chili peppers, chopped
- 1/2 cup water
- 2 lbs chuck steak cut into 1 inch cubes
- 2 tsp ground corriander
- 2 Tblsp tamarind sauce (from chinese market)
- 1 tsp ground turmeric
- 2 tsp curry powder
- 1 stem lemon grass, 4" long
- 2 cups coconut milk
- 1. In a blender until smooth: onions, garlic, ginger, chili and water.
- 2. Add above mixture, beef and the rest to a crock pot and mix.
- 3. Cook on low 8-10 hours.
- 4. Serve with fragrant jasmine rice

4.13 WHOLE BEEF FILET IN PEPPERCORN SAUCE

- 1 whole beef filet (tenderloin), about 4-5 pounds
- 2 cups red wine
- 3 Tblsp black peppercorns, roughly cracked
- 3 Tblsp green peppercorns, soaked in wine
- 3/4 cup heavy cream
- 2 Tblsp Dijon mustard
- 2 Tblsp butter
- 1. Preheat over to 450 degrees F
- 2. Remove fat and membranes from filet
- 3. Fold over the thin end and tie to have a uniform thickness
- 4. Place in oven with meat thermometer inserted in center.
- 5. When meat thermometer reads 125 degrees for rare. This takes about 35-50 minutes for an average sized filet. Remove and let stand in warm place for 10 minutes.
- 6. Meanwhile make the sauce: deglaze the pan with wine and cook down by half. If there is not enough pan juices, supplement with beef broth or canned beef gravy. Add cream, peppercorns and cook until thick. Add butter and mustard when finished.



4.14 LAMB BUTTERFLIES WITH JALAPENO JELLY

- 1 whole boneless leg of lamb, about 5 pounds jalapeno jelly (Goya)
- 1/2 cup roughly crushed black peppercorns
- 1/2 Tblsp ground coriander
- 2 Tblsp minced garlic
- 1 Tblsp crushed red pepper flakes
- 2 Tblsp salt
- 2 Tblsp chopped fresh rosemary or 1 Tblsp dry
- 1. Preheat broiler
- 2. Open up the boneless lamb and spread out to a thickness of about 2 inches. Cut into 2 pieces if called for. Trim off fat and membranes as desired.
 - 3. Mix all dry spices and coat the lamb.
- 4. Broil skin side up for 12 minutes. Flip and broil other side 12 minutes. This gives medium rare in parts. For medium, flip and broil and additional 2 minutes on each side. Cover with foil and let stand 5 minutes.
 - 5. Serve with jalapeno jelly. (Mint jelly works well also.)

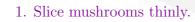
4.15 HACHIS PARMENTIER

- 4 potatoes, about 1.3 pounds
- 3 Tblsp butter
- 2 medium onions, finely chopped
- 1 clove garlic, finely minced
- 1.5 pounds lean ground beef
- salt and pepper
- 1 bay leaf
- 2 springs fresh thyme or 1/2 tsp dried
- 4 Tblsp tomato paste
- 1/2 cup milk
- 1/8 tsp freshly ground nutmeg
- 3 Tblsp finely chopped parsely
- 1/2 cup grated parmesan cheese

Optional mushroom sauce:

- 1/4 pound fresh mushrooms
- 2 Tblsp butter
- 3/4 cup chopped onion
- 1 minced garlic clove
- 1/4 cup white wine
- $1.5~\mathrm{cups}$ chopped canned to matoes
- 1/4 cup heavy cream
- 1. Boil potatoes.
- 2. Saute onions an garlic in 1 Tblsp butter.
- 3. Add beef. After the beef is partly browned, add salt and pepper to taste, bay leaf, thyme and tomato paste. Cover and cook 20 minutes.
 - 4. Preheat broiler to high.
- 5. Mash potatoes, add remaining butter, milk, nutmeg and half the parsley. Add the remaining parsley to the beef mixture.
- 6. Spoon beef into 8" x 11" baking dish. Smooth potatoes on top. Sprinkle with the cheese.
 - 7. Broil about 5 minutes until cheese is browned.

Mushroom sauce:



- 2. Cook onions and garlic in butter.
- 3. Add mushrooms and salt and pepper to taste. Cook until the liquid given off evaporates.
- 4. Add the wine and cook until wine almost evaporates. Add tomatoes, cover and cook 15 minutes.
 - 5. Stir in remaining butter and add cream. Bring briefly to a boil and serve hot.

4.16 OVEN ROASTED WHOLE LEG OF LAMB

- 1 whole bone-in leg of lamb (7-8) pounds
- 1 Tblsp black pepper
- 2 tsp salt
- 2 tsp finely minced fresh rosemary
- 3 large garlic cloves, cut lengthwise into slivers
- 3 Tblsp olive oil

fresh mint, maple syrup, white wine vinegar for mint sauce.

- 0. Prepare mint sauce. (See 7. below)
- 1. Preheat oven to 450F with the rack in the lower third of oven.
- 2. Mix dry spices and rub half onto the large part of the lamb.
- 3. Mix the rest of the spices with garlic slivers. Insert slivers into small cuts in the meat.
 - 4. Rub surface with olive oil.
- 5. Place in oven and reduce heat to 325F. For medium rare: 125F to 135F in the thick part, about 1.5 hours. For medium: 135F-145F.
 - 6. Remove from oven, cover loosely with foil and let stand 10 minutes.
- 7. Serve with fresh mint sauce: mix 1 Tblsp maple syrup and 2 Tblsp boiling water. Stir in 2 Tblsp fresh mint leaves and 8 Tblsp wine vinegar. Cover and let stand 2-3 hours before serving.

4.17 GRILLED PORK CHOPS WITH BRAZILIAN JUICE

6 pork chops with bone, about 3/4" thick

Brazilian juice: 1 cup of nectar. This can vary, could be Guanabana and Mango. In Goya section of supermarket

- 1/4 cup rice vinegar
- 1/4 cup olive oil
- 2 Tblsp soy sauce
- 1 large minced shallot
- 2 minced garlic cloves
- 2 Tblsp chili-garlic sauce (from Chinese section, Sriracha)
- 1 tsp sea salt
- 1 tsp ground cumin
- 1 tsp freshly ground black pepper
- 1 Tblsp tropical jam, such as apricot.
- 1. Mix all marinade ingredients in a small bowl with a whisk.
- 2. Place meat and marinade in a large ziplock bag, press out the air, seal, and let sit in refrigerator for at least 4 hours. Save the marinade.
- 3. Grill over charcoal, about 10-15 minutes on each side until well cooked. Halfway through the grilling, heat the marinade to boiling in a saucepan, and then baste repeatedly.



4.18 PAPRIKASH

courtesy of Marko Krco

4 pounds stew quality beef, chopped into 1/2" cubes

5 medium onions, chopped 1/2"

4 sweet red peppers, chopped 1/2"

6 cloves garlic, finely chopped

4-5 stalks green onions, chopped

1 pound carrots, chopped

4 potatoes chopped

1 pound fresh or frozen peas

"Vejeta", Yugoslavian spice (soup mix) 1/2 cup. (Mediteranean section of supermarket)

1/2 cup + spicy Hungarian paprika. (Cannot overdo this spice)

some lemon juice before serving (1 Tblsp

1/2 tsp cumin

1/2 a bunch of fresh cilantro

black pepper

chopped cilantro as final garnish

flour

- 1. Sauté all vegetables except the peas and potatoes in a little olive oil.
- 2. Just cover with water, add spices, beef, potatoes and peas. Cook covered at first, then open for the remaining time, for a total time of about 1 hour plus. Add peas toward end.
- 3. Add flour to thicken if necessary, or boil down further. Add parsely and lemon juice.





4.19 CALDEIRADA ANGOLANA CON CABRA

- 2 lbs cut up goat meat with bone. In the USA possibly in the frozen section
 - 4 medium onions, sliced
 - 4 garlic cloves, chopped fine

salt and black pepper

- 4 medium potatoes, sliced about 1/2" thick slices
- 2 medium tomatoes, sliced into rings
- 1 red and 1 green red pepper, sliced into rings.
- 1 Tblsp paprika piri-piri
- 1. Brown the goat meat in 1/4 cup olive oil until well browned over medium-high heat, about 20 minutes.
 - 2. Add the onions and garlic and brown also. Add paprika.
- 3. Add water to cover and simmer for about 3 hours until meat is very tender, falling off the bone.
- 4. Add sliced vegetables on top, add water to nearly cover, and cook until vegetables are tender, about 30 minutes.
 - 5. Serve as a soup/stew with piri-piri.



4.19 ASADO DE CERDO ZACATECAS

Courtesy of Carlos Murillo: "This is another recipe that traces its origins to my paternal grandmother, who was born and raised near Guadalupe, Zacatecas, in the late 19th century."

- 4 lb lean pork leg
- 6 dried ancho chiles
- 1/2 orange
- 8 garlic cloves, crushed, diced
- 2 large tomatoes, boiled and peeled
- 2 onions
- 5 bay leaves
- 1 tsp ground origano
- 1 cup of cooking oil

Ancho peppers are nothing more than poblano peppers that are left on the plant until fully mature (poblano peppers are harvested when they are still green), and then dried industrially. They are wider and less dark than mulato or pasilla peppers. However, I have seen them mislabeled as one or other of the latter two by Goya Foods.

Cut the meat in 1/2 - 3/4" cubes, add some salt to it and the garlic, then fry in a large pot using 1/4 cup of oil until golden. In the meantime, take off the stems from the ancho chiles and pour the reamaining 3/4 cup of oil in a small skillet; heat until it reaches a high temperature, but not so high that it smokes. The following procedure is critical: each ancho chile must be fried for about 4-8 seconds, perhaps turning it around once. The chile first turns orangish, then quickly turns brown if left too long. You want to remove it when it is orange and before it turns brown and bitter. This step brings out the real flavor that we want out of the chile. Hint: the amount of seeds and veins that you leave in the chiles is what controls how spicy the end result will be. If you wish to make it mild, devein and deseed before frying. The oil usually needs to be discarded after this.

Blend the ancho chiles, onions, tomatoes and origano until they become a smooth paste; add a little water if necessary. Add the contents of the blender to the meat in the pot. Add the bay leaves. Peel the orange and add the rind to the pot. Add

salt to taste at this point, and simmer for 30-40 minutes. The dish should acqu dark red color. Serving suggestions: refried beans, mexican rice, soft corn tortillas, guacam

4.21 SANCOCHO DE 4 CARNES

- 2 lbs cut up goat meat with bone. In the USA possibly in the frozen section
 - 1 pound beef for stew (flank or chuck)
 - 1 pound pork sausage (longaniza)
 - 1 pound pork ribs
 - 4 limes cut in half
 - 3 cloves mashed garlic
 - 1/2 pound cassava cut into 1" pieces
 - 1/2 pound yam cut into 1" pieces
 - 2 celery stalks
 - 1/2 lb malanga cut into 1" pieces
 - 2 unripe plantains, cut up.
 - 1 unripe plaintain, cut in slivers (done with potato peeler)
 - 2 cubes beef stock
 - 2 corn cobs cut into 1" pieces
 - 1/2 tsp powdered oregano
 - 1/2 tsp coriander
 - 2 tsp vinegar
 - 2 tsp hot sauce
 - 1. Cut the meat into small pieces
 - 2. Scrub the meat with the lime.
- 3. To the meat add celery, coriander, oregano, vinegar and salt. Rub and marinate a least 1/2 hour.
- 4. Heat 3 Tblsp oil in a large pot, and add the goat meat. Cover and simmer 1 hour.
 - 5. Add the remaining meat except the sausage, and simmer 15 minutes.
- 6. Add 1/2 gallon of water and bring to a boil, and add yam, malanga and plaintains. Simmer 15 minutes.
 - 7. Add all remaining ingredients and simmer until all is tender.
- 8. Make the remaining plantain into a pulp and add to the pot. Simmer another 10 minutes.
 - 9. Adjust seasoning and serve with rice.

Poultry









POULTRY

POLLO CON HIGOS

Start the figs a few hours before cooking the chicken.

1/2 c med. sweet white wine peel of 1/2 lemon, whole, not grated 3-3.5 pound chicken cut into pieces coarse salt 1/4 c diced bacon 1 tblsp olive oil 3 tblsp beef broth

For figs:

3/4 c sugar

3/4 c water

1/2 c vinegar

1 slice lemon

1 cinnamon stick

1 pound fresh figs.

First poach the figs for about 10 minutes by simmering in a syrup made from the last 6 ingredients. REmove the figs from the syrup, and reserve about 1/3 of the syrup. Put the figs in a bowl, add the 1/2 peel of lemon and the wine and marinate for a few hours.

Sprinkle chicken with salt and pepper. In a large oven proof casserole, like a dutch oven, slowly heat the bacon until crisp. Remove the bacon and reserve, leaving the bacon grease. Add olive oil. Heat then add the chicken and brown over medium heat until golden. Turn up the heat and add the wine the figs soaked in. Add the cooked bacon pieces. Boil until the wine is syrupy about 10 minutes. Add about half the reserved syrup and and cook another 5-10 minutes. Tranfer the casserole to a 350 degree oven and cook about 30 minutes. Check periodically to see how low the liquid is, and add more syrup if necessary to prevent burning. Remove from the oven when the syrup is mostly reduced. Return to the stove top, add beef broth and figs and the rest of the syrup. Cook another 10 minutes until the syrup is thick and saucelike.

5.1 CHICKEN MOGLAI

12 skinless boneless chicken breast halves

1/4 c flour

1 stick butter

5 med onions, finely chopped

6 garlic cloves, minced

1 Tblsp finely grated ginger (fresh)

1/2 tsp ground cumin

1/2 tsp cumin seeds

1/2 tsp tumeric

1/2 tsp caraway seeds

Cayenne pepper

35 ounce can of Italian peeled tomatoes, coarsely crushed, with liquid

2 c chicken stock

3 c sour cream

1/4 c packed light brown suger

1 tsp tomato paste

1 tsp crushed red pepper

1 tsp saffron threads

1/2 tsp ground cardamon

1/4 tsp ground cloves

1/4 tsp freshly grated nutmeg

Fresh coriander for garnish

Rice for serving

- 1. Season breasts on both sides with salt and black pepper and coat lightly with flour, shaking off excess. Melt 4 Tbslp of butter in large skillet. Add 6 breats and cook over medium high, turning once, until golden, about 4 min per side. Transfer to large plate and repeat with remaining 6 breasts.
- 2. Melt the remaining 4 Tbslp butter in the skillet. Add the onions and cook over medium, stirring, until softened about 10 min. Stir in garlic and ginger and cook about 3 min. Add ground cumin, cumin seeds, tumeric, caraway and 1/4 tsp cayenne and cook for 1 min. Stir in the crushed tomatoes with their liquid and the chicken stock. Transfer the mixture to an enameled cast iron casserole (not completely necessary)

3. Add the chicken to the casserole and brind to simmer over medium low heat..simmer 10 min. Stir in sour cream, sugar , tomato paste, red petper, saffron, cardamom , cloves and nutmeg. Cover and simmer (low heat) for 30 min. Uncover and cook, stirring once ina while, until the chicken is tender and sauce thick...about 1 hour.

5.2 TUSCAN HUNTERS CHICKEN

olive oil
2 garlic cloves
10 large leaves of sage
fresh rosemary
whole chicken in pieces
red pepper flakes
3/4 c dry red wine
tomato paste
bay leaf

Heat 1/4 c olive oil in skillet and add 2 chopped garlic cloves and roughly chopped 10 large leaves of sage and 1 TBslsp fresh rosemary. Cook over low heat until the garlic is golden, about 5-10 min. Add pieces of a whole chicken, and cook over moderately high heat until golden, turning occasionally, for about 20 minutes.

Season with salt, pepper and 1/4 tsp crushed red pepper flakes. Add 1/2 c dry red wine. Simmer over low heat until wine almost evaporates, about 10 min. Stir in 2 Tblsp tomato paste, 1/4 c red wine and 1/4 c hot water, and 1 bay leaf. Cover and simmer over low heat, stirring only once, for about 30 minutes. Uncover.....then simmer over low heat for an additional 30 minutes, until the sauce is thickened. If the sause is thickened already, then simmer it these last 30 minutes covered. Anyway, simmer covered or uncovered depending on the thicknes of sause.

Discard bay leaf. Transfer chicken to platter. Spoon off fat, and pour sause over chicken.

5.3 CHICKEN WITH ALSACIAN BEER SAUCE

butter
whole chicken
onion
1 garlic clove
bay leaf
2 cloves
2 bottles beer
flour
2 eggs
1/2 c heavy cream
nutmeg

Melt 2 tablespoons butter in large saucepan and saute' a whole cut-up chicken until golden. Add 1 chopped onion, 1 chopped garlic a bay leaf and 2 cloves. Add 2 bottles of beer. Simmer about 45 min until fork easily pierces thighs. Remove chicken pieces and keep hot in a 300 degree oven. Boil down the sauce by 1/3. Strain and reserve. In a sausepan, melt 1 tblsp butter and 1 tblsp flour. Cook 2 minutes. Add the broth and cook 10 minutes. In a bowl whisk together 2 egg yolks and 1/2 cup heavy cream. Pour in half of the broth and stir. Add back to the pan. Add some nutmeg. Heat only until warmed through and slightly thickened. Do not boil! Pour over the chicken.

COQ AU VIN

4 oz chunck of thick, lean bacon

butter

3 lb cut-up chicken. Even better: 2 cornish game hens.

1/4 c cognac

bottle of red wine

1-2 c chicken stock

1 Tb tomato paste

2 cloves mashed garlic

1/2 tsp thyme

1/2 tsp dry rosemary

1/2 tsp red pepper flakes

2 bay leaves

12-24 small onions, or 8 medium onions sliced in half.

1/2 ' mushrooms

4 carrots, chopped

2 Tb flour

1 Tb softened butter

Cut the bacon into lardons and saute slowly in hot butter until it is lightly browned. Remove to side dish. Dry the chicken and brown it in the hot fat. Season the chicken. Return the bacon to the pot with chicken and cover and cook slowly for 10 minutes, turning once. Remove chicken. Saute onions. Then saute the mushrooms.

Uncover, pour in the cognac, ignite and shake back and forth. Pour in the wine. Add back the chicken. Add just enough stock to cover the chicken. Stir in tomato paste, garlic, herbs and bring to simmer. Cover and simmer for one hour. Remove chicken and vegetables.

Simmer the cooking liquid and skim off fat. Boil rapidly to reduce the liquid to 1-2 cups. Blend the butter and flour together into a paste (beurre manié). Beat the paste into the hot liquid with a wire whip. Simmer for a minute or two.

Arrange chicken, placing mushrooms and onions around it and baste with the sauce.



5.4 XINXIM DE GALINHA

Recipe from Bahia, Brazil. Galina is a rooster.

- 3-4 pounds of chicken, cut up into small pieces. Use a butcher's knife.
- 2 medium onions, chopped
- 1/4 cup dende oil (red palm oil)
- 3 cloves of garlic, minced
- 1/3 cup dried shrimp, ground (from Chinese market)
- 1/4 cup ground cashew nuts
- 1/4 cup ground peanuts
- 2/3 cup dried shrimp, whole
- 2 tsp grated fresh ginger
- 1/2 cup coconut milk.
- salt, black pepper, and cayenne to taste. About 1/2 tsp cayenne
- 1. Grind the nuts and shrimp in a blender
- 2. Sauté all the ingredients in the oil, adding the oil a little at a time until fully sautéed. The chicken should be nearly half-way cooked.
 - 3. Add the coconut milk.
 - 4. Add salt and peppers to taste.
- 5. Simmer for about 1 hour until chicken is thoroughly cooked. Cook uncovered. It should be reasonably thick.
 - 6. Serve over rice.







5.5 MOLE VERDE or GREEN MOLES

Courtesy of Carlos Murillo

For the stock:

1 large chicken (roaster is ok)

2 garlic cloves

2 bay leaves

1/4 tsp ground black pepper

1 tsp salt

3 cups water

For the mole paste:

4-6 large poblano peppers

2 lb tomatillos (wild green tomatoes)

1 large onion

4 garlic cloves

8 oz raw, peeled pumpkin seeds

1/2 bunch parsley

1/2 bunch cilantro

1/4 cup cooking oil

Cook the chicken/stock ingredients in a pressure cooker until the chicken is very tender. In the meantime, you need to prepare the different ingredients for the paste:

- 1) Poblano peppers: These have to be roasted first so that they can be peeled and, if so wanted, deveined. You can use one burner of the stove and a wire platform, moving them around to insure even roasting, or you can use a standard oven at 450F. (no microwave). The skin should come off easily when properly roasted; for added ease, toss the toasted peppers inside a plastic bag for a few minutes before peeling them. Two notes of caution: (1) your fingers will become weapons after handling the peppers for skinning! do not touch your eyes (2) The amount of seeds and veins that you remove is what controls the spiciness of the mole, so this part is discretionary. Do remove all the skin that you can, though, and the pit.
- 2) Pumpkin seeds: roast these using an iron skillet. Move around a lot to ensure even roasting and avoiding black burned spots on the seeds; these spots look ugly afterwards and taste even worse. Note that if you buy pre-roasted seeds, chances are



that they are not sufficiently done; the seeds are properly roasted when they are no longer green but start to take a yellow (not brown) color.

3) Tomatillos: boil them in water for 6 minutes. And yes, strip the husks off before you use them.

Finely chop the onion and garlic and fry until translucent in the oil. In the meantime, grind the other paste ingredients using a blender. You are likely to need more liquid to do this; use the stock from the chicken. Add the mole to the onion and garlic; debone the chicken, cut it in about 10 pieces (or shred it if you prefer) and add. Also, add salt to taste at this time. Finally, simmer for about 30 minutes. Don't use a high flame because it can easily stick and burn. The mole should be thick; if not, you can add a little (1 tsp) of corn starch to thicken it, previously dissolved in some of the chicken stock.

Serving suggestions: mexican rice, refried beans, guacamole and soft corn tortillas.

Carlos: This recipe has been in my family for years; I suspect that the origins go back to a small town in Zacatecas where my grandparents came from. The use of poblano peppers instead of serranos identifies this recipe as coming from the Aguas-calientes/Zacatecas area. It is by far the easiest mole that you can do, yet it shows the basic ingredients and procedures: peppers, seeds. Variations include adding some roasted sesame seed or other green chiles such as serrano (not jalapeo, though).

6 PASTA

6.1 ANGEL HAIR WITH BASIL AND GARLIC

1/4 c thinly sliced garlic
7 Tblsp olive oil
2 c diced tomatoes
1 c basil leaves, roughly chopped kosher salt
6 oz dried angel hair

Cook garlic slowly in 3 Tblsp olive oil until evenly browned.

Reduce heat to low, add the tomatoes, salt, pepper and cook just enough until the tomatoes are just heated through. (You can vary the extent to which the tomatoes are cooked, but not too much for this recipe.)

Add the basil and cook just barely until soft.

Drain the cooked pasta and add it and the remaining oil to the skillet. Toss to coat the pasta.

Fish and Seafood













7 FISH and SEAFOOD

7.1 CLAMS WITH PASTA AND TOMATOES

4 lb littleneck clams or mahoganies (hard shelled) olive oil pasta (linguine or spagetti)
3 shallots
2 cloves garlic
4 tomatoes
1/2 c white wine
1/2 tsp oregano
1 bay leaf
1/2 tsp red pepper flakes
1/2 c chopped up basil leaves (fresh)
small can of tomato sauce (1 c) and/or 1/2 cup pasta sauce from a jar

- 1. Sauté shallots and garlic in 1/4 c olive oil. Add the tomatoes, spices and white wine and cook about 5-10 minutes until the tomatoes are soft.
- 2. Add the clams and cook until opened, about 10 minutes. Remove the clams.
- 3. Add tomato sauce and cook down until reasonably thick.
- 4. Add chopped basil. Cook a few minutes.
- 5. Toss together the pasta, clams and sauce.



7.2 MOQUECA DE SIRI Y PEIXE

para 8 pessoas

- 2 lb crab
- 1/2 lb soft fish like tilapia
- 1 1/2 pounds firmer fish like swordfish
- 3 limes
- 3 large tomatoes
- 1 cilantro bundle
- 2 green onions
- 3 large onions
- 3 cloves garlic
- 1 green pepper
- 1 cup dende oil
- 1/2 cup olive oil
- 1 1/2 cups coconut milk (Goya is best)
- black pepper
- pinch of saffron
- 1. Cook the crab and remove some meat. If using Alaskan King crab, remove the meat only from the long sections, and cut up other pieces at joints.
- 2. Wash the crab and the fish in lime.
- 3. Cut up 2 tomatoes, 2 onions, 1/2 the pepper, the cilantro and garlic into small pieces. Saute in the olive oil.
- 4. Add the crab, the firmer fish.
- 5. Cut up the remaining vegetables into rings and add to the pot. Sprinkle with half the dende and place on low heat. Don't add water. Cook about 15 minutes.
- 6. Add the softer fish and cook through.
- 7. Toward the end, add the coco milk, spices, and a bit more dende and lime.
- 8. Serve with rice or manioc flour toasted in dende. (farofa marela).



DUNGENESS CRAB WITH GINGER AND SCALLIONS

2-3 pound Live crab.pickling salt1 tblsp light soy sauce1 Tblsp dry sherry

1 1/2 tblsp peanut oil

1/2 tsp sugar

1/2 c fresh young ginger, finely shredded

2 scallions, finely shredded into 2" long juliennes

Kill and clean the crab while it is alive. If squeamish, steam for a minute or two first. Rinse and dry the crab and cut into pieces. Rub salt gently on the pieces. Place the crabs on a steam rack in a pot of water. You should have very little water on the bottom, perhaps 1/2 an inch. Sprinkle ginger and scallions on crab. Combine other ingredients in a small bowl then pour over the crab. Cover and steam for about 15 minutes.

7.3 BROILED FISH WITH GINGER SOY VINAIGRETTE

one medium sized whole fish, such as porgy or red snapper, 1-2 pounds

- 1.5 Tblsp sesame oil
- 1/2 Tblsp hot sesame oil
- 2 Tblsp rice vinegar
- 2 Tblsp fresh lime juice (about 1 lime)
- 2 Tblsp soy sauce
- 5 dashes tabasco
- 1/4 c chopped parsley or with some cilantro

black pepper

cayenne

corriander

Sprinkle the fish with a bit of corriander and cayenne red pepper. Broil for about 8 minutes per side, until brown and blistery.

Mix the rest of the ingredients in a small bowl and serve with fish.



7.4 BACALHAU ESTUFADO

- 1/2 pound salt cod, soaked in several changes of water for 24 hours (refrigerated)
- 1/3 cup olive oil
- 1 medium onion, coarsely chopped
- 1 bay leaf
- 1/2 tsp paprika
- 3 large very ripe tomatoes, coarsely chopped
- 2 cloves garlic, coarsely chopped
- 1/4 cup white wine
- 3 medium potatoes cut into 1 inch cubes
- 6 cups water
- 2 Tblsp chopped parsley
- salt and pepper
- 1. Cut the fish into medium size pieces.
- 2. Sauté the onion in the olive oil in a pot until soft, about 5 minutes. Add the bay leaf, paprika, tomatoes and garlic. Cook about 15 minutes over medium low heat.
 - 3. Add wine and simmer 1 minutes
- $4.\ \mathrm{Add}$ potatoes and water. Simmer until potatoes are a bit more than half done, about 15 minutes.
- 5. Add the parsley and cod. Simmer about 10-15 minutes more until fish is opaque.

variations: add scallops in the last 5 minutes of cooking.



7.6 GAMBAS A LA PLANCHA

1 pound medium to large shrimp with heads 2 garlic cloves 1 bay leaf 1/2 tsp red pepper flakes olive oil black pepper

- 1. Crush garlic, bay leaf and red and black pepper in mortar.
- 2. Add to shrimp with a bit of olive oil. Let sit for 1/2 1 hour.
- 3. Heat some oil in a cast iron skillet (this is important) over medium high heat. Add shrimp and baste topside with garlic/oil mixture. Grill until can barely see the doneness from the top, about 5 minutes. Flip and baste again. Cook until done through and both sides are slightly toasty, about another 5 minutes.

variations: soak shrimp for several hours or overnight in white wine.

7.6 SAUTEED FISH FILLET WITH TARRAGON

1 pound white fish fillet, such as fresh cod butter and olive oil 1 Tblsp chopped fresh tarragon 1/2 cup flour 1 cup white wine.

- 1. Mix flour with salt and pepper in a plate. Coat fish and shake off excess.
- 2. Heat 1 Tblsp butter and 1-2 Tblsp olive oil over medium high heat in a skillet. Add fish and raise heat to high. Cook about 3 minutes until brown and crispy. Flip and brown other side for again 3 minutes.
- 3. Remove fish and keep warm in 200 degree oven. Add 1 cup white wine to skillet and reduce by 1/2. Add tarragon and cook a minute. Add 1 Tblsp butter and melt in. Serve over fish immediately.

7.7 GRILLED WHOLE FISH WITH GINGER SOY VINAI-GRETTE

2 red snappers or other fish, 1 1/2 pounds each rinsed and patted dry

1/4 cup toasted sesame oil

1/4 cup peanut oil

1/4 cup rice vinegar

1/4 cup fresh lime juice

1/4 cup soy sauce

6 dashes hot pepper sauce

1/2 cup chopped cilantro

2 Tblsp minced fresh ginger

salt and black pepper

1 Tblsp coriander seeds

2 Tblsp red pepper flakes

- 1. Mix all but the coriander and red pepper flakes in a small bowl.
- 2. Toast in a small dry skillet over medium-high heat just until the aroma rises the coriander seeds and pepper flakes.
- 3. Rub the toasted dry spices on the fish and grill or broil. Cook until the side facing heat is brown and blistered, about 8 minutes. Turn and cook another 8-10 minutes. Serve immediately with the vinaigrette.





7.8 PAELLA CON BOGAVANTES

3/4 pound swordfish or other firm fish steak

12 shrimp in the shell with heads

1/3 pound whiting or similar fish to make broth

1 bay leaf

2 sprigs parsley

1/2 tsp thyme

1 small onion, peeled

1/2 cup olive oil

2 live lobsters, small, 1 pound each

12 clams or mussels

1 medium onion, chopped

2 ripe tomatoes, skinned and peeled

3 cups rice

1/2 cup frozen peas

1/2 tsp saffron, crumbled

2 cloves of crushed garlic

2 pimientos

lemon wedges

- 1. Cut up the swordfish and whiting into 1.5 inch cubes. Add to a large pot with 5 cups of water with the thyme, parsley, bay leaf and small onion. Bring to a boil and simmer for 30 minutes. Add lobster and clams and boil 15 minutes. Remove the lobster and cut lengthwise. Remove clams and swordfish and reserve Strain broth.
- 2. In a large skillet or paella pan, heat the olive oil. Sauté the shrimps and remove. In the remaining oil, sauté the onions and garlic until wilted. Add the tomato and cook a few minutes until liquid has evaporated.
- 3. Stir in the rice and coat with oil. Add 5.5 cups of the reserved broth, boiling hot, the peas, saffron and salt. Boil about 10 minutes until the rice is soupy.
- 4. Stir in the shrimp and reserved fish pieces and the pimiento cut into strips. Push the clams into the rice. Bake in a 325 degree oven for 10 minutes. Arrange the lobster on top and bake another 5-10 minutes. Remove from oven, cover with foil, and let sit 10 minutes. Garnish with lemon wedges and squeeze juice on paella while eating.

7.9 STEAMED MUSSELS WITH VARIATIONS

For 4 people

- 4 pounds mussels, washed and bearded
- 1/2 cup white wine
- 1 Tblsp chopped garlic
- 2 chopped shallots
- 1/4 cup minced fresh herbs, such as parsley, basil, chervil.
- 2 Tblsp butter
- 1/4 cup heavy cream.
- Additional assorted herbs.
- 1. Sauté shallots and garlic in 2 Tblsp olive oil.
- 2. Add mussels.
- 3. Add wine and herbs.
- 4. Cover the pot and cook over medium high heat until most of the mussels are opened, about 10 minutes.
 - 5. Revove the mussels and keep warm in a low oven.
- 6. Strain the cooking liquid and reduce to 1 cup over high heat. Whisk in 2 Tblsp butter.
 - 7. Add additional spices.
- 8. Add cream and heat but do not boil. Season with salt and fresh ground black pepper.

serve with french fries or crusty bread to absorb juices.

Variations of step 7:

- * 2 teaspoons minced tarragon.
- * curry powder
- \ast cayenne red pepper

7.10 FISH HINDU-MASALE with GREEN CILANTRO SAUCE

- 2 lb steaks of a sturdy fish such as swordfish, blue marlin, or wild salmon.
- 1/8 tsp turmeric
- 1/8 tsp cayenne
- 3 Tblsp olive oil
- 1 medium finely chopped onion
- 2 garlic cloves finely chopped
- 1 cup chopped cilantro
- 1 tomato chopped
- 3 fresh hot green chilies, sliced into 4 long slivers
- 1 tsp finely grated fresh ginger
- 1 Tblsp fresh lemon juice
- 1/8 tsp cayenne
- 1/2 tsp garam masala
- 1. Rub the fish well on both sides with salt, alot of ground pepper, the turmeric and cayenne and set aside.
- 2. In a pan, heat the oil over medium high heat. Brown the fish quickly on both sides without cooking through. Remove the fish and set aside.
- 3. Add the onion and garlic and fry until brown. Add cilantro, tomato, chilies, ginger, lemon juice. Cook over medium high heat until the tomato is soft.
- 4. Spread the the sauce and add fish on top. Spoon some of the sauce on top of the fish. Sprinkle with cayenne and garam masala. Simmer gently for about 10-15 minutes.





7.11 MOQUECA DE CAMARAO

- 2 pounds shrimp. They should still have their heads, otherwise don't bother making this recipe.
 - 1 medium onion, sliced to form thin rings
 - 2 medium tomatoes, sliced into rings
 - 1/2 cup + of chopped cilantro
 - 1/2 cup coconut milk
- 1/4-1/3 cup dende oil (red palm oil). Hard to find, order online from a Brazilian market.
 - 2 garlic cloves
 - 2 limes
 - 1/4- 1/2 tsp red cayenne pepper lots of freshly ground black pepper
- 1. Wash the shrimp with the juice from the lime, keeping the lime juice in the bowl. Mash the garlic in a mortar and add to the bowl, along with cilantro. Marinate 10-15 minutes while preparing the rest.
 - 2. Slice the onion and tomato and add to a semi-deep pan
 - 3. Add the shrimp mixture and all the remaining ingredients
 - 4. Bring to a boil over high heat, then reduce to medium
- 5. Simmer uncovered for about 10-15 minutes. Do not overcook. Cook until the onions are soft and the shrimp cooked through. Adjust spices.
 - 6. Serve over white aromatic rice.

8 THAI

8.1 JASMINE RICE

For 2 people: 3/4 cup rice and 1 cup of water gives the right ratio. Soak the rice and drain several times until water comes out clear. Add rice and water and bring to boil. Reduce heat to lowest setting, cover and cook for about 15 minutes.

8.2 BEAUTIFUL JADE GREEN CURRY PASTE

makes about 2 cups

- 1/2 Tblsp. whole coriander seed
- 1/2 tsp. whole anise seed
- 1 1/2 Tblsp shrimp paste
- 12 whole white peppercorns
- 2 1/2 tsp lime zest (minced lime peel). About 1 lime.
- 1/3 cup chopped cilantro leaves
- 2 stalks lemon grass. Remove outer leaves and use only 3 inches of the bottoms from each. Slice finely.
 - 1/3 c finely chopped peeled fresh ginger
 - 1/4 c chopped garlic
 - 1 c chopped shallots
 - 1 c sliced green serrano chiles. About 16.
 - 6 large leaves of romaine lettuce. As dark green as possible.
- 1. Dry roast the coriander and anise seeds in a small skillet over medium heat 3-5 minutes until toasty and aromatic, shaking the pan often. Set aside.
- 2. Double foil wrap the shrimp paste. Cook for about 5 minutes in the pan, turning the packet once, until aromatic.
- 3. Grind the corriander, anise and peppercorns in a large mortar. Add to the blender.
- 4. Combine the zest, cilantro, lemon grass and ginger in the mortar and pound for a minute or so. Add to blender.
 - 5. Pound the garlic and shallots in mallot and add to blender.
 - 6. Add the shrimp paste and chilies.
 - 7. Roughly tear the lettuce and add to blender.
- 8. Process into a rich smooth paste. May add a bit olive oil to help the processing. Can be stored in freezer.

8.3 GREEN CURRY BEEF

serves 6-8 people

1 c freshly made green curry paste

2 cans coconut milk (standard size)

1 1/2 pounds sirloin, sliced into 1/4 inch slices

1/4 c coconut palm sugar

1/4 c fish sauce

1 1/2 large green bell pepper, sliced into round sections.

10 Kaffir lime leaves

6 medium serrano chilies or to taste, sliced in half lengthwise. (For taste)

1 1/2 c loosely packed Thai basil

squeeze of lime juice

Optional: baby corn, green beans.

- 1. Skin the thick cream from the top of the canned coconut milk into a saucepan, reserving the milk. Add the paste and bring to boil. Cook, stirring constantly for 2 minutes.
- 2. Stir in the beef and (about 3/4, to have a thicker sauce of the coconut milk. Add the sugar and fish sauce and lime leaves. Cook for 2-4 minutes or until the beef is about 1/2 done. Add the bell pepper and chili peppers and cook for 2-4 minutes.
 - 3. Stir in the basil and cook for a few seconds.
 - 4. Don't eat the chili peppers.

8.4 RED CURRY PASTE

makes about 1 1/2 cups

3 oz dried red chilies, mild 3 inch long chilies, such as Goya's Chili Coste \tilde{n} e chilies, 1 1/2 packages.

12 small dried chilies, about 1 inch long, such as Goya's chili de arbol.

- 1 Tbsp whole coriander seed.
- 1.5 Tbsp shrimp paste
- 1/2 cup peeled whole garlic cloves.
- 3/4 cup chopped shallots.
- 1/2 Tbsp minced fresh lime peel (zest). About 1 lime.
- 2 large stalks, only the bottom 3 inches, finely sliced. (lemon grass)
- 1/3 cup chopped peeled fresh ginger.
- 1. With kitchen shears stem the large chilies, cut in half lengthwise, shake out seeds and remove dried ribs. Cut crosswise in 3/4 inch pieces and place in bowl. Cut the small chilies in half crosswise, shake out seeds, and cut into small pieces. Add to bowl, add water to cover, and soak for 30 minutes.
- 2. Dry roast the coriander over medium heat in small skillet 3-5 minutes until aromatic, shaking the pan. Add to mortar.
- 3. Double wrap the shrimp paste and cook about 5 minutes, turning the packet over once.
 - 4. Dry roast the garlic and shallots over medium heat until slightly browned.
 - 5. Grind the coriander and add to a food processor.
- 6. Combine lime, lemon grass, ginger in the mortar and pound to break down fibers. Add to processor.
 - 7. Pound roast garlic and shallots in the mortar and transfer to processor.
- 8. Add shrimp paste. Drain chilies and add. Reserve 1/2 cup of the water the chilies soaked in.
- 9. Process into a rich, moist paste. Add chili soaking liquid now and then if needed to ease the processing.

can be stored in the freezer for up to 3 months, or in the refrigerator for 1 month.

8.5 RED CURRY CHICKEN WITH BABY CORN

serves 4-6

- 1 can unsweetened coconut milk
- 1 cup red curry paste
- 3/4 pound boneless, skinless chicken breast, cut crosswise into 1/2 inch thick pieces.
 - 10 fresh Kaffir lime leaves
 - 1 small can bamboo shoots
 - 1 can baby corn.
 - 1/2 bell red pepper.
 - 3 Tblsp palm sugar
 - 2 Tblsp fish sauce
 - 1 cup loosely packed Thai basil
 - 1. Sauté the chicken in peanut oil until lightly browned. Remove.
- 2. Skim the thick cream from the top of coco milk into frying pan. Reserve the milk. Stir in the curry paste and bring to low boil over med high heat. Cook, stirring constantly for 2 minutes.
- 3. Add the chicken and cook for about a minute. Add enough of the coconut milk for sauce to remain thick. Tear each lime leaf in half and add to pot.
 - 4. Add sugar and fish sauce.
 - 5. Add shoots and baby corn. Simmer about 5 minutes.
 - 6. Add red bell pepper and cook a few minutes.
 - 7. Add basil leaves and cook a few seconds.

8.6 CHILI TAMARIND PASTE

1/2 cup large dried shrimp

1.75 cups peanut oil

1/3 cup sliced garlic

1 cup sliced shallots

12 small dried red chilies

3 Tblsp liquid tamarind concentrate

3 Tblsp coconut palm sugar

1 Tblsp fish sauce

- 1 Rinse dried shrimp and drain.
- 2. Heat 1 1/2 cup of the oil in saucepan over medium high heat.
- 3. Fry garlic and cook until golden brown. Add garlic to food processor.
- 4. Repeat above with shallots. Then with shrimp. Then with chilies.
- 5. Add remaining 1/4 cup oil and tamarind and blend into a smooth paste.
- 6. Transfer to a skillet and set over medium heat. Add sugar and fish sauce and cook until the color is a rich dark brown.

will keep for 3 months in refrigerator

8.7 CRISPY WHOLE CHILI TAMARIND FISH

suggested for striped bass, porgies, red snapper

- 1 whole fish, cleaned, scaled, head and tail intact. About 1.75 pounds vegetable oil for frying
- 3 tablespoons peanut oil
- 10 cloves garlic
- 3 Tblsp Chili-Tamarind paste
- 5 Tblsp chicken stock
- 4 Tblsp sugar
- 5 scallions, including green tops, angle cut into 3/4" pieces
- 1 red bell pepper, finely chopped
- 1 Tblsp Thai fish sauce
- sprigs of cilantro
- 1. Place a serving platter in a warm oven while preparing.
- 2. Score both sides of the fish with deep diagonal cuts nearly to the bone about every inch.
- 3. Pour oil into wok or deep skillet to about 2 inches deep. Bring oil to about 375 degrees over medium high heat. Slide fish into hot oil and ladle hot oil over unexposed parts. After 4-5 minutes, turn over and cook another 4-5 minutes. Lift out fish, drain over paper towels and transfer to warm platter. Note: Oil must be very hot; deep fry one fish at a time and don't use a very deep pot. A medium deep skillet is better as it conducts less heat away from the oil.
- 4. Discard oil from wok, add 3 Tblsp fresh peanut oil over medium high heat. Add garlic and stir-fry until golden and aromatic. Add chili-tamarind paste and free 1 minute. Add chicken stock and sugar and fry until dissolved and blended.
- 5. Add scallions and red pepper and stir fry for less than a minute. Add the fish sauce and stir until the mixture comes to a low boil about 2 minutes. Turn off heat.
- 6. Lift fish and put some of the sauce under it. Replace, then pour the rest of the sauce over the fish.

For a quicker version without the chili-tamarind paste: Replace the chili-tamarind paste with 4 Tblsp Kikoman sweet and sour sauce, 2 Tblsp tamarind extract, 1 tsp Chinese crushed chili pepper sauce, 3 Tblsp coconut palm sugar or honey.

8.8 CHICKEN WITH GREEN CHILIES AND HOLY BASIL

for 2-3 people

- 3 Tblsp peanut oil
- 6 cloves of garlic mashed in mortar
- 10 medium serrano chilies, about 2" in length, stemmed and cut lengthwise in slivers.
 - 1 pound chicken breast cut crosswise into 1/2" thick slices.
 - 1 large onion thinly sliced
 - 2 Tblsp Thai fish sauce
 - 2 Tblsp sugar
 - 2 tsp soy sauce
 - 2 tsp molasses
 - 1 Tblsp white vinegar
 - 1.5 cups loosely packed basil
- 1. Stir-fry the garlic and chilies over medium high heat until the garlic is golden and aromatic.
- 2. Raise heat to high. Add the chicken and onion and stir-fry for about 5 minutes, separating the onion slices.
- 3 Add fish sauce, sugar, vinegar, soy sauce and molasses. Stir fry another 2-3 minutes until chicken is cooked through.
 - 4. Turn off the heat. Add basil and cook a few seconds until basil starts to wilt.

8.9 JASMINE RICE

For 2 people: 3/4 cup rice and 1 cup of water gives the right ratio. Soak the rice and drain several times until water comes out clear. Add rice and water and bring to boil. Reduce heat to lowest setting, cover and cook for 15 minutes.

9 MISCELLANEOUS

9.1 PIRI-PIRI

small fresh red chili peppers, about 1/2 - 1 inch long. Thai chilies, for example thinly slice garlic bagase, i.e. brandy or whiskey vinegar olive oil bay leaf

- 1. Place chilies in a small jar. Add sliced garlic and bay leaf.
- 2. Add to 3/4 cover white vinegar.
- 3. Top up with whiskey.
- 4. Add a little olive oil. Too much will solidify in the refrigerator.

Store in refrigerator



10 THANKSGIVING

10.1 HERB ROASTED TURKEY

Fresh young turkey

2 cups Kosher salt.

1/2 cup maple syrup

1/2 cup brown sugar

2 gallons water

2 Tblsp olive oil

1 Tblsp black pepper

1 orange

1/2 cup finely chopped fresh herbs, rosemary, sage, and thyme.

2 Tblsp paprika

- 1. The night before: dissolve the salt, syrup and sugar in 1/2 gallon of warm water, then mix with 1.5 gallon cold water. Soak the turkey submerged in a large cooking pot overnight.
 - 2. Stuff the turkey.
- 3. Mix herbs and spices with oil and rub the whole of the bird. If not stuffing, rub the inside cavity also.
- 4. Place giblets in bottom of roasting pan. Place turkey on a rack to help lift it out later.
 - 5. Roast for 30 minutes at 450 degrees. Lower the heat to 350.
- 6. Place slices of orange on the outside of bird, held with toothpicks. Put some aluminum foil over the breast.
- 7. Roast covered except for the remaining hour. Baste every 30 minutes. Let turkey stand one hour while making the giblet gravy.
- 8. Make the giblet gravy: With a laddle remove (separate) most of the turkey fat off the top of the drippings and reserve 1/3 cup. You should have 3-4 cups of drippings left, if not supplement with chicken stock. Deglaze with 1/2 cup white wine on the stove top. Make a roux with the turkey fat and flour: heat fat to very hot and add the flour. Cook until lightly browned, not burnt. Blend together the drippings and roux and cook until smooth.

10.2 CORNBREAD STUFFING

8 cups cubed corn bread. Bake 3 small boxes of "Jiffy" cornbread mix

3/4 stick of butter

2 c chopped onions

1 c finely chopped celery

1 green bell pepper, diced

1 red bell pepper, diced

6 jalapeno peppers, chopped

2 cloves of garlic, minced

1/3 cup minced fresh parsley

1 Tblsp minced fresh sage or 1 tsp dried

1 Tblsp minced fresh thyme, or 1 tsp dried

3/4 tsp salt

1/2 tsp black pepper

1/3 to 1 cup chicken stock

1 tsp ground cumin

1 tsp dried oregano

1 small can corn kernels.

- 1. Melt butter over medium high heat and cook all vegetables until tender, about 5-10 minutes.
 - 2. Remove from heat and add spices.
 - 3. Stir into the corn bread, add corn kernels, and toss.
 - 4. Stir in a little at a time the stock until lightly moist but not packed together.
 - 5. Stuff the bird.
 - 6. Bake remains in a 350 degree oven for about 45 minutes.

Option: Add 1 pound cooked pork sausage when tossing the vegetables and cornbread.





11 DESSERT

11.1 ANGOLAN ORANGE CAKE

- 5 eggs
- 3 cups of sugar
- 3 cups fresh orange juice
- 3 cups flour
- 1 1/2 teaspoons of baking powder zest of one orange (grated peel)
- 1. Grease a 9 by 12 inch baking pan.
- 2. Separate yolks from egg whites.
- 3. Beat the yolks and sugar until smooth.
- 4. Beat the egg whites at high speed into a merengue. Add to the yolks and sugar.
 - 5. Add 1 cup of orange juice to the mixture.
 - 6. Add orange zest, flour and baking powder and mix well.
 - 7. Bake at 350 degrees for about 45 minutes to an hour.
- 8. When finished baking, and while still warm, pour the remaining two cups of orange juice over the cake.
 - 9. When the cake is cooled, flip it over.

11.2 BAKED INDIAN PUDDING

1.5 + 1.5 cups of whole milk

1/4 cup black molasses

2 Tblsp sugar

2 Tblsp butter

1/4 tsp salt

1/8 tsp baking powder

1 egg

1/2 cup yellow cornmeal

ground ginger and/or cinnamon to taste

Preheat the oven to 450F.

In a bowl mix 1.5 cups of the milk with the molasses, sugar, butter, salt, baking powder, egg and cornmeal.

Pour the mixture into a stone crock that has been well greased, and bake until it boils.

Heat and stir in the remaining 1.5 cups of milk. Lower the temperature to 300F and bake 5-7 hours. Serve warm with vanilla ice cream.

11.3 NITRO-HINDU PISTACHIO ICE-CREAM

- 1 quart of whole milk
- 3 pounds of unsalted pistachios with the shell
- 2 cups heavy whipping cream
- 1 tsp almond extract
- 1 tsp vanilla extract
- 8 egg yolks
- 1 tsp cardamon
- 1/4 tsp saffron
- 1. Prepare pistachios: remove shells. The nut is covered with a bitter skin which needs to be removed. Drop them in boiling water about 1 minute, and they can then be easily removed. You should end up with a bowl of emerald gems. Throw out any brown ones.
- 2. Finely ground half the pistachies and 1/2 cup sugar in blender along with a bit of the milk.
- 3. Bring milk, ground pistachio mixture, and spices just to a boil in a saucepan and remove from heat.
 - 4. Add almond and vanilla extracts.
- 5. Whisk egg yolks with the remaining sugar, and gradually whisk it into the hot milk mixture.
- 6. Cook over low heat until it thickens like a pudding, about 10-15 minutes. Do not boil.
- 7. Roughly chop the remaining pistachios, add to the milk, along with the heavy cream, and place in refrigerator.
- 8. When ready to serve, gradually pour in liquid nitrogen while stirring and breaking up until smooth and resembles ice-cream

Drinks







12 DRINKS

12.1 MOJITO

2 oz simple syrup, or 3 tsp sugar.
1/2 lime
10 fresh mint leaves
1/2 cup crushed ice
1.5 oz light rum
2 oz club soda
sprig of mint
wedge of lime

In a tall highball glass, squeeze the juice from 1/2 lime then cut the remains into quarters and add to glass. Muddle mint leaves with lime and syrup. Add crushed ice, rum, club soda. Garnish with mint and lime.

Syrup: 2 parts sugar, 3 parts water.