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## Keep on Grillin

### Honeydew Gazpacho & Grilled Shrimp

### **INGREDIENTS:**

1 ripe honeydew, seeded, roasted & cooled

1 small fennel bulb, coarsely chopped

1 celery heart stalk, coarsely chopped

1/2 English cucumber, peeled and coarsely chopped

2 jalapeños, stemmed, seeded, and chopped

3 tablespoons fresh lime juice, plus more to taste and wedges for serving

1 teaspoon kosher salt, plus more to taste

1/4 cup packed fresh mint leaves, very thinly sliced, plus more for garnish

### **PREPARATION:**

- 1. Grill chances of honeydew then let cool.
- 2. Place melon in a blender along with the fennel, celery, cucumber, and jalapeños.
- 3. Blend on low speed until almost smooth. Strain through a medium-mesh sieve, pressing on the solids to extract as much liquid as possible; discard the solids.
- 4. Stir in lime juice, salt and mint.
- 5. Taste and adjust seasonings.

## Campeche Tequila Shrimp

### **INGREDIENTS:**

1/2 pound shrimp- deveined, keep tails on3 Tbsp of TequilaJuice of one limeJuice of one blood orange or regular orange1/4 tsp garlic powder5 whole smashed garlic cloves

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### Campeche Tequila Shrimp (cont.)

#### **INGREDIENTS:**

1/2 cup of vegetable oil1/8 cup champagne vinegar1/2 tsp chili powderDash of hot chili flakes1/4 tsp powdered cumin1/2 chopped fresh cilantroSalt and pepper to taste

#### **PREPARATION:**

- 1. Bamboo skewers-soaked in water for 30 minutes
- 2. In a large plastic bag, mix all of the above items together and marinate shrimp for about 45 minutes to an hour.
- 3. Place the shrimp on the wet skewers and cook on a grill or roast in oven until they curl up, about 5-6 minutes on each side.

## Coffee-Chili-Bourbon Wet Rub for Short Ribs

### **INGREDIENTS:**

1½ tsp ground ancho chile powder
1½ tsps ground espresso coffee
1/2 tsp dark brown sugar
1/4 tsp dry mustard
1/2 tsp dried oregano
1/4 tsp salt
1/4 tsp ground black pepper
2 Tbsps Molasses
1.5 ounce Bourbon

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### Coffee-Chili-Bourbon Wet Rub for Short Ribs (cont.)

### **PREPARATION:**

In a small sauce pan: Mix Molasses and Bourbon together to slightly liquefy over low heat, then add remaining ingredients. Massage into Short Ribs, let marinate over night in refrigerator.

### **Braising Liquid**

#### **INGREDIENTS:**

2 Tbsp Tomato Paste
½ cup carrots, chopped
½ cup celery, chopped
1 cup onions, chopped
3 cups red wine
2 cups Veal Stock
2 bay leaves
1 tsp pepper corns
3 thyme sprigs
3 garlic cloves, smashed
¼ cup vinegar
2 tbsp honey

#### **PREPARATION:**

- Preheat oven to 325F.
- After searing off short ribs, remove from pan and set aside. Add oil to pan and sauté carrots, onions, & celery.
- Once caramelized, add tomato paste. Deglaze pan with wine. Add stock and remaining ingredients. Bring to a boil.





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### Braising Liquid (cont.)

### **PREPARATION:**

- In a Dutch oven or roasting pan, place short ribs and cover short ribs <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of the way with liquid. Braise in oven at
- 325F for 3 hours. Check liquid once or twice. If the liquid is too low, add more water.
- Once they are done you can serve them immediately or grill them.

## Root beer BBQ

### **INGREDIENTS:**

2 cup root beer
1 cup ketchup
1/4 cup white wine vinegar
3 tablespoons Worcestershire sauce
1/4 cup (packed) dark brown sugar
1 tablespoon mild-flavored (light) molasses
1/2 teaspoon grated lemon peel
1/2 teaspoon fresh ginger minced
1/2 teaspoon garlic minced
1/2 teaspoon onion minced

### **PREPARATION:**

Sauté minced items, deglaze with root beer, add the rest of the ingredients and reduce until the right consistency.



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### Honey Cornbread

#### **INGREDIENTS:**

1 cup Corn Meal
 1 ½ cups Flour
 1 1/2 Tablespoon baking powder
 1 teaspoon salt
 1 cup milk
 1/4 cup raw sugar
 1/4 cup butter, softened
 1/2 cup honey
 4 eggs
 ¼ cup onion, diced, sautéed, cooled
 ¼ cup green peppers, diced, sautéed, cooled

#### **PREPARATION:**

- 1. Preheat oven to 425F degrees.
- 2. Cream sugar and butter together in a bowl. Add in eggs, honey and milk and mix well. Add sautéed vegetables. Mix in flour, baking powder, corn meal and salt.
- 3. Mix dry ingredients with wet ingredients carefully. Do not over mix. Batter will be lumpy.
- 4. Pour batter in greased 11×14-inch baking pan or cast iron pan.
- 5. Bake or grill for 35 mins.



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### Angel Food Cake Roll

### **INGREDIENTS:**

1 cup flour
1 <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> cup sugar
12 egg whites, which is equal to 1 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> cup
1 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> teaspoon cream of tartar
<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> teaspoon salt
1 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> teaspoon vanilla extract
<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> teaspoon almond extract

#### **PREPARATION:**

- 1. Preheat oven to 350.
- 2. Sift flour, salt &  $1 \frac{1}{4}$  cup of the sugar together three times.
- 3. Prepare jelly roll pan by lightly spray non stick spray. Cut parchment to fit.
- 4. Place eggwhites into mixing bowl and whip on low speed. Add cream tartar. When whites start to foam, increase speed to med high. When soft peaks start, begin to add <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> cup sugar ( two tablespoons at a time). Whip until stiff peaks form.
- 5. Blend in sifted flour mixture until completely mixed. Add vanilla & almond & blend well.
- 6. Bake for 30 minutes.

### FILLING:

You can use either whipped cream from a can, or whip fresh. Slowly blend any type of fresh fruit in that you like.

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### Angel Food Cake Roll (cont.)

### ANGEL ROLL PREPARATION:

- Carefully edge Angel Food Cake away from side of pan.
- Flip cake onto clean cotton towel that has been dusted with powdered sugar. (Not terrycloth, and the cloth must be same length as cake)
- Immediately roll from the small end to large end and then cool immediately on wire rack.
- Allow to cool completely and let set at room temperature. (Refrigerating this may make cake hard.)
- Once cooled, begin to unroll gently and fill as you un-roll. Once cake is completely opened the filling with be in place and gently guide cake back to rolled position.