

### Sautéed Shrimp with Salsa Verde, Honey-Garlic Aioli and Fried Bread

Salsa Verde Shrimp

3 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil 3 to 4 tablespoons olive oil, divided

1/4 cup firmly packed flat leaf parsley, minced 3 to 4 slices of crusty bread (cut about 3/4 inch thick)

1/4 teaspoon garlic, minced 1 garlic clove, sliced thin

1 teaspoon lemon zest

1 teaspoon lemon juice Garlic Aioli (recipe follows)

Pinch of crushed red pepper

• To make the salsa verde: stir all ingredients in a small until well mixed; set aside.

• To make the shrimp: heat 1 tablespoon of oil in a skillet over medium high heat.

• Add bread to skillet; fry on 1 side only until golden around edges; remove from pan.

• Add remaining oil to pan. Cook shrimp, turning once, until pink and slightly charred.

• Add the crushed red pepper and garlic; cook for about 30 seconds.

• Transfer shrimp to bread slices; top with aioli and salsa verde.

#### Garlic and Chile Marinated Olives

Sea salt and freshly ground pepper

1/4 cup extra-virgin olive oil

2 to 3 red chilies, cut into ½-inch slices

1 shallot, thinly sliced

1 clove garlic, thinly sliced

2 to 3 strips lemon zest

1 to 2 cups mixed olives

½ cup chopped artichokes

2 to 3 tablespoons capers

½ cup cubed feta

1 teaspoon lemon juice

Minced fresh thyme

Sea salt and freshly ground black pepper

- Heat the olive oil in a small saucepan over medium heat.
- Add the chilies, shallot, garlic and lemon zest.
- Cook, stirring occasionally, until the garlic is pale golden, about 2 minutes.
- Stir in the olives, artichokes, capers and feta: cook, stirring, until just warm, about 2 minutes.
- Turn off the heat. Stir in the lemon juice and thyme.
- Season with salt and pepper.



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## **Stuffed Piquillo Peppers**

1 tablespoon olive oil

1/4 pound fresh bulk chorizo

1 small onion, minced

1 clove garlic, minced

1 russet potato, cooked, cooled and coarsely mashed

½ cup grated manchego cheese, divided

Minced parsley

Salt and pepper

- Bring a saute pan to medium heat and add the oil.
- Cook the chorizo, breaking up with a wooden spoon, until lightly browned.
- Add the onions and garlic; continue cooking until golden brown and sausage is completely cooked.
- Remove from heat; stir in the potatoes and cheese. Season with parsley, salt and pepper.
- Stuff each pepper with some of the filling.
- Spread some of the sauce on the bottom of a casserole dish. Arrange peppers in dish; top with remaining sauce.
- Scatter cheese over peppers.
- Bake in a 375 degree oven until cheese is melted and bread crumbs are light brown.
- Remove; let cool slightly. Serve warm.

# Mixed Green Salad with Almonds, Manchego Cheese and Sherry Dressing

1 tablespoon sherry vinegar

1 tablespoon orange juice

1 teaspoon honey

½ small shallot, minced

1 small garlic clove, minced

½ teaspoon fresh thyme, picked and minced

½ teaspoon sweet smoked paprika

½ teaspoon Dijon mustard

6 tablespoons olive oil

Sea salt and freshly ground pepper

4 cups mixed lettuces

1/4 cup toasted almonds, chopped

<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> cup pickled red onions (recipe below)

1 jar piquillo peppers, rinsed and drained 1 cup basic tomato sauce or enchilada sauce

2 to 3 tablespoons grated cheddar cheese

1/4 cup manchego cheese, finely julienned

2 to 3 slices Iberico chorizo, finely julienned

- Add first eight ingredients to a mixing bowl; whisk to combine.
- Add a few drops of oil, whisking constantly, until emulsified.
- Continue whisking; add remaining oil in a slow, steady stream. Season with salt and pepper.
- Transfer dressing to a small container.
- Add remaining ingredients to the bowl.
- Toss with enough dressing to coat the leaves (reserve remaining).

Gratuity is not required but it is appreciated. If you enjoyed the class, please consider leaving a tip for your chef/assistant.



## Classic Chicken and Scallop Paella

2½ cups chicken stock

Pinch of saffron threads

1 tablespoon olive oil

1 small onion, diced

1 small bell pepper, diced

2 garlic cloves, minced

½ pound chicken boneless chicken breast

½ pound chorizo sausage, cut into 1 inch pieces

1 cup rice

1 tablespoon all-purpose spice mix

1/3 pound sea scallops

½ cup frozen peas

Salt and pepper

- Add the stock to a saucepan and bring to simmer. Add saffron; reduce heat and keep warm.
- Preheat oven to 400 degrees. Heat olive oil in a paella pan over medium-high heat.
- Add onions, peppers and garlic to pan; sauté until it begins to brown.
- Add chicken and chorizo; cook until browned.
- Stir in rice and spices; cook 1 minute. Add stock and bring to a simmer; add scallops.
- Cook paella, covered until rice is tender, about 20 minutes. Remove from oven; scatter peas over paella.
- Let stand, covered, until peas are warm.

### **Quick-Pickled Red Onions**

1 cup white wine vinegar

1/4 cup sugar

1 teaspoon salt

1 bay leaf

1 teaspoon mustard seeds, optional

1 large red onion, sliced thin

- Bring all ingredients except onions to a boil.
- Remove from heat, add onions and allow to cool to room temperature.
- Transfer to canning jar; refrigerate.

### Garlic Aioli

½ cup mayonnaise

1/2 garlic clove, finely minced

1 teaspoon orange juice

1 teaspoon honey

• Mix together all ingredients in a small bowl. until smooth; season with salt and pepper.