

Croque Madame Toast - Provided by VISIT Lake Geneva Staffer

A French bistro classic that is easier to make than you think!

Ingredients:

Mornay Sauce

1 tbsp unsalted butter
1 tbsp all-purpose flour
½ cup plus 2 tbsp whole milk
½ tsp dry mustard
½ tsp ground ginger
¾ cup shredded Gruyere cheese
3 tbsp grated Parmesan cheese
Salt and cracked black pepper to taste

Egg Assembly

3 slices sourdough bread, lightly buttered and toasted 3 tablespoons whole grain prepared mustard 6 ounces smoked ham, thinly sliced 3 large egg yolks

Instructions:

Mornay Sauce -

1. Melt the butter in a small saucepan over medium heat. Add the flour and stir over the heat for 2 to 3 minutes to cook off the raw flour taste. Add the milk in a steady stream while whisking, then continue to cook and whisk until the mixture thickens enough to coat the back of a spoon. Whisk in the mustard, ginger, gruyere, and parmesan. Continue to cook and stir until the cheeses melt and the sauce is smooth, 3 to 4 minutes. Season to taste with salt and pepper. Set aside.

Egg Assembly -

- 1. Preheat broiler. Spread whole grain mustard onto one side of the toast slices. Top slices of the toast with
- 2. Transfer the ham-topped toasts to a baking sheet and top each with a 1/2 cup of the mornay sauce.
- 3. Carefully create a well atop each toast, with the ham and mornay sauce and drop each yolk into each well.
- 4. Broil the toasts until the sauce is hot and bubbling, but the yolk is still soft, 3 to 4 minutes. Lightly season with salt and pepper and serve immediately.



CORN BISQUE - Provided by Chef Joshau P. North

Yield: 128oz

Soup Ingredients:

1 ea Yellow Onions, Large Dice ½ cup Garlic Cloves 1 ea Red Bell Peppers, Large Dice 12 ea Corn on the Cob, Fresh Shucked 1 gal Corn Stock (see recipe below) TTKosher Salt TTGround White Pepper

Soup:

- 1. Sautee onion, garlic, red peppers and corn kernels
- 2. Add stock
- 3. Puree with blender until smooth
- 4. Strain through fine metal strainer
- 5. Heat and serve

Corn Stock Ingredients:

2tsp whole black peppercorns
12ea sprigs flat leaf parsley
6 sprigs thyme
2ea bay leaves
1ea yellow onion, skin on, roughly chopped
2ea unpeeled carrots, roughly chopped
4 stalks celery, roughly chopped
12ea corn cobs, kernels reserved

Method:

- 1. Combine all ingredients with one gallon of water in large sauce pan
- 2. Bring to a boil
- 3. Reduce heat to simmer and cook 45 minutes
- 4. Strain through fine metal strainer



Smash Burgers - Provided by Chef Shawn Williams

Thin juicy beef patties topped with cheddar cheese and stacked for the most amazing homemade double cheeseburger you will ever make.

Yield: 6 Patties

Patty Ingredients:

1-2 Tbsp Granulated Garlic2 Tbsp Worcestershire Sauce1 Lb 80-85% Lean Ground Beef1-2 Tbsp Vegetable/Canola Oil for Cooking Salt, Pepper, Onion Powder to taste

Burger Toppings:

Sesame Buns
Mild Orange Cheddar Cheese
1 Sliced Red Onion (try caramelized)
Ketchup/Mustard/Mayo
Dill Sandwich Pickle Chips

Instructions:

- 1. Roll the beef into 2-inch diameter balls. I was able to get 6 patties out of 1 pound of ground beef. Shoot for that for the proper size. Set aside.
- 2. Bring a skillet or **flat** cast iron griddle to medium-high heat (on the stove or on the grill). Let get hot and brush with a little oil.
- 3. Place beef balls on the hot skillet and immediately press down **firmly** (use two hands) with a flat spatula until the patty is smashed into a uniform 1/2 an inch thick patty (or just under). Season with salt, pepper, onion powder to taste. Let simmer for 2 minutes. The edges may split and won't be perfect. This is OK and actually preferred as it adds texture.
- 4. Flip burgers, season with salt and pepper, and cook for 2 more minutes (burgers will be cooked medium and no longer pink). In the last 30 seconds, top each patty with cheese. Remove from the heat and serve with toppings/buns. These are the perfect size for double cheeseburgers.



Tito's Cocktails of the Week

Mule w/ Blueberries

1 ½ oz Tito's Handmade Vodka ½ oz fresh squeezed lime 3 oz ginger beer Fresh blueberries Lime slice

Muddle fresh blueberries in a chilled copper mug. Add other ingredients over ice. Stir and garnish with a lime slice and blueberries.

TitoRita

1½ oz Tito's Handmade Vodka½ oz orange liqueur2 oz lime juice1/4 oz agave1 lime slice

Add all ingredients to a shaker with ice. Shake and strain into a glass with or without fresh ice. Garnish with a lime slice. Pro-Tip: If you like it salty, use a glass with a salt rim.

Bloody Mary

1½ oz Tito's Handmade Vodka4 oz Bloody Mary mix

Just add Tito's Handmade Vodka, Bloody Mary mix and ice to a shaker. Shake and pour everything into a pint glass. Go wild with your garnishes! Try celery stalks, olives, dill pickles, pickled green beans, lemon, parsley, bacon, cheese cubes, boiled shrimp, etc.

Dine & Give! The Charity Check

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After your meal, be sure to fill out a Charity Check ballot to vote for a local non-profit organization to win a cash donation to support their mission. The top vote recipient will receive a \$5000 donation and four runners up will each receive \$1000, courtesy of our Charity Check sponsor, Tito's Handmade Vodka. Hover your smartphone camera over the code at right to learn about our nominees.







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