### May 2022 TV —Beef Burgers

Nothing says summer quite like the sound of real beef sizzling on the grill, and there is no better time to enjoy a juicy burger than now! Check out these recipes!

### **Beef Muffuletta Burger**

This is one big burger! Enjoy the flavors of a traditional Muffuletta sandwich in a burger meant to share.

Recipe time: 30 minutes

Makes 8 servings

- 1 recipe Cajun-Style Beef Sausage (recipe follows)
- 8 ounces salami, diced
- 6 slices provolone cheese
- 1/2 cup olive tapenade
- 1/2 cup chopped giardiniera
- 1 large sheepherder loaf, about 8 inches in diameter
- 2 cups shredded lettuce
- 2 large tomatoes, thinly sliced



- 1. Prepare **Cajun-Style Beef Sausage**: Combine 1 pound Ground Beef (93% or leaner), 1 tablespoon liquid smoke, 1/2 teaspoon garlic powder, 1/2 teaspoon onion powder, 1/2 teaspoon salt, 1/2 teaspoon smoked paprika, 1/2 teaspoon ground red pepper, 1/4 teaspoon ground black pepper and 1/4 teaspoon dried thyme leaves in a large bowl mixing lightly but thoroughly.
- 2. Add salami to sausage mixture, mixing thoroughly but gently. Form sausage mixture into 1 large burger patty, 8 to 9 inches in diameter and 3/4 inch thick. Place patty on grid over medium, ash-covered coals. Grill, covered, 10 to 11 minutes (over medium heat on preheated gas grill, 10 to 11 minutes) until instant-read thermometer inserted horizontally into center registers 160°F, turning once. Use 2 grill spatulas for easier flipping. During the last 2 minutes of cooking, top patty with cheese and allow to melt.

**Cook's Tip:** Cooking times are for fresh or thoroughly thawed ground beef. Ground beef should be cooked to an internal temperature of 160°F. Color is not a reliable indicator of ground beef doneness.

3. Meanwhile, combine tapenade and giardiniera in small bowl. Cut shepherd loaf in half horizontally. Scoop out extra bread from middle of both halves, as desired. Toast loaf on grill for 2 to 3 minutes, if desired. Line bottom of bread with lettuce and tomato; top with burger. Top burger with tapenade mixture, close sandwich. Cut into 8 wedges.

**ALTERNATE COOKING METHOD**: You may prepare 12 sliders instead of one large patty. Form twelve 2-1/2-inch diameter patties in step 1. Place patties on grid over medium, ash-covered coals. Grill, covered, 8 to 10 minutes (over medium heat on preheated gas grill for the same time) until instant-read thermometer inserted horizontally into center registers 160°F, turning occasionally. During the last minute, top patties with cheese and allow to melt. Continue with step 3.

Nutrition information per serving: 423 Calories; 185.4 Calories from fat; 20.6g Total Fat (8.2 g Saturated Fat; 0.1 g Trans Fat; 0.7 g Polyunsaturated Fat; 6.2 g Monounsaturated Fat;) 77 mg Cholesterol; 1385 mg Sodium; 34 g Total Carbohydrate; 2 g Dietary Fiber; 26 g Protein; 4.3 mg Iron; 413 mg Potassium; 4.4 mg NE Niacin; 0.3 mg Vitamin  $B_6$ ; 2.6 mcg Vitamin  $B_{12}$ ; 4.5 mg Zinc; 17.8 mcg Selenium; 71 mg Choline.

This recipe is an excellent source of Protein, Iron, Niacin, Vitamin B12, Zinc, and Selenium; and a good source of Vitamin B6, and Choline.

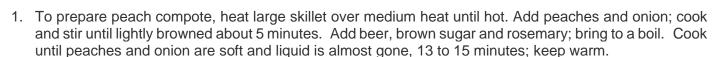
## **Old South Burgers with Peach Compote**

Looking for a fresh new way to serve burgers? This burger recipe layers on a flavorful peach compote that's sure to please.

Recipe time: 30 minutes

Makes 4 servings

- 1 pound Ground Beef (93% lean or leaner)
- 1 cup diced peaches, fresh or frozen
- 1 cup diced sweet onion
- 1 cup Budweiser beer
- 1/4 cup packed brown sugar
- 2 teaspoons chopped fresh rosemary
- 1/4 cup goat cheese
- 4 pre-baked biscuits, split



- 2. Lightly shape ground beef into four 1/2-inch patties. Place patties on grid over medium, ash-covered coals. Grill, covered, 8 to 10 minutes (over medium heat on preheated gas grill, covered, 7 to 9 minutes) until instant-read thermometer inserted horizontally into center registers 160°F, turning occasionally.
- 3. Evenly spread goat cheese on bottom half of each biscuit; top with burgers. Evenly spoon peach compote over burgers. Close sandwiches.

Nutrition information per serving: 475 Calories; 180 Calories from fat; 20g Total Fat (8 g Saturated Fat; 4 g Monounsaturated Fat;) 81 mg Cholesterol; 704 mg Sodium; 42 g Total Carbohydrate; 2 g Dietary Fiber; 30 g Protein; 4.3 mg Iron; 5.4 mg NE Niacin; 0.4 mg Vitamin B<sub>6</sub>; 2.2 mcg Vitamin B<sub>12</sub>; 5.7 mg Zinc; 19 mcg Selenium; 79.3 mg Choline.

This recipe is an excellent source of Protein, Iron, Niacin, Vitamin B6, Vitamin B12, Zinc, and Selenium; and a good source of Choline.

### Italian Smash Burger Napoleon

Savor this Italian-style Ground Beef burger with a bright and vibrant spinach-lemon pesto and a unique spicy and sweet beef jerky marmalade.

Recipe time: 40 minutes Makes 4 servings

- 1 pound Ground Beef (80% lean or leaner)
- 4 large leaves Butter or Bibb lettuce
- 1/2 cup part-skim ricotta cheese
- 1/2 cup Spinach-Lemon Pesto (recipe follows)
- 1/2 cup Beef Jerky Marmalade (recipe follows)
- 4 teaspoons balsamic syrup or glaze
- 1. Lightly shape Ground Beef into eight 1/2-inch thick slider patties. Place patties on griddle or nonstick skillet over medium heat. Using spatula, press burger against griddle. Midway through cooking, flip, press. Cook 8 to 10 minutes until instant-read thermometer inserted horizontally into center registers 160°F. Season with salt and pepper, as desired.
- 2. Place patties on 4 lettuce leaves to form a cup, top with 1 tablespoon cheese, 1 tablespoon Spinach-Lemon Pesto, 1 tablespoon Beef Jerky Marmalade, another patty, 1 tablespoon cheese, 1 tablespoon Spinach-Lemon Pesto and 1 tablespoon Beef Jerky Marmalade. Garnish each stack with balsamic syrup, as desired.



<u>Spinach-Lemon Pesto:</u> Place 2 cups fresh baby spinach, 1/3 cup grated Parmesan cheese, 1/4 cup toasted sliced almonds, 1 tablespoon fresh lemon juice, 1 teaspoon grated lemon peel (from 1/2 lemon) and 1 teaspoon minced garlic in food processor container. Cover, process until coarse paste forms. With motor running, slowly drizzle in 2 tablespoons olive oil and 2 tablespoons water through opening in cover, processing until smooth.

Beef Jerky Marmalade: Heat large nonstick skillet on medium-high heat until hot; spray with cooking spray. Add 1/3 cup chopped red onion; cook 4 to 5 minutes, stirring occasionally. Add 1/3 cup minced shallot and 1/2 teaspoon minced garlic and cook 2 to 3 minutes until translucent. Add 3 tablespoons maple syrup, 1/2 teaspoon dry mustard and 1/2 teaspoon chili powder; bring to a boil. Add 1/4 cup sherry and 3 tablespoons brown sugar; stir to combine. When sugar is melted, reduce heat to medium. Add 8 ounces chopped beef jerky and cook about 5 minutes to reduce liquid to a thick glaze, stirring occasionally.

Nutrition information per serving, 1 slider stack: 414 Calories; 225 Calories from fat; 25g Total Fat (9.1 g Saturated Fat; 0.6 g Trans Fat; 1.4 g Polyunsaturated Fat; 11.9 g Monounsaturated Fat;) 86 mg Cholesterol; 473 mg Sodium; 14 g Total Carbohydrate; 1.4 g Dietary Fiber; 31 g Protein; 174 mg Calcium; 3.9 mg Iron; 501 mg Potassium; 0.3 mg Riboflavin; 4.9 mg NE Niacin; 0.4 mg Vitamin B<sub>6</sub>; 2.4 mcg Vitamin B<sub>12</sub>; 326 mg Phosphorus; 6.7 mg Zinc; 24.5 mcg Selenium; 88.1 mg Choline.

This recipe is an excellent source of Protein, Iron, Riboflavin, Niacin, Vitamin B6, Vitamin B12, Phosphorus, Zinc, and Selenium; and a good source of Calcium, Potassium, and Choline.

# **Oktoberfest Burgers**

Can't make it to Germany for Oktoberfest? Don't fret! Eat like you're there with these tasty burgers.

Recipe time: 40 minutes Makes 4 servings

- 1 recipe German-Style Beef Sausage (recipe follows)
- 4 slices Swiss cheese (3/4 ounce each)
- 4 teaspoons German-style coarse grain mustard
- 4 pretzel rolls, split, warmed

#### Sauerkraut:

- 3 cups coleslaw mix
- 2 tablespoons water
- 2 tablespoons white vinegar
- 1/2 teaspoon brown sugar
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/8 teaspoon caraway seed



- 1. Combine Sauerkraut ingredients in medium saucepan. Bring to a boil over medium-high heat. Reduce heat; cover and cook 8 to 11 minutes or until cabbage is tender, stirring occasionally. Set aside.
- 2. Prepare **German-Style Beef Sausage**. Combine 1 pound Ground Beef (93% lean or leaner), 1/4 cup 2% reduced-fat milk, 2 teaspoons minced garlic, 1 teaspoon ground mace, 1 teaspoon pepper, 1/2 teaspoon salt and 1/4 teaspoon each ground coriander and ground allspice in large bowl, mixing lightly but thoroughly. Lightly shape sausage mixture into four 1/2-inch patties. Heat large nonstick skillet over medium heat until hot. Add patties; cook 10 to 12 minutes or until instant-read thermometer inserted horizontally into center registers 160°F, turning occasionally.
- 3. During last 1 to 2 minutes of cooking, top burgers with cheese.
- 4. Spread mustard on bottom of rolls; top with burgers and evenly with Sauerkraut. Close sandwiches.

Nutrition information per serving, using 93% lean ground beef: 532 Calories; 180 Calories from fat; 20g Total Fat (8 g Saturated Fat; 3 g Monounsaturated Fat;) 91 mg Cholesterol; 974 mg Sodium; 51 g Total Carbohydrate; 2.9 g Dietary Fiber; 37 g Protein; 4.9 mg Iron; 6.1 mg NE Niacin; 0.4 mg Vitamin  $B_6$ ; 2.2 mcg Vitamin  $B_{12}$ ; 5.8 mg Zinc; 17.8 mcg Selenium; 81.6 mg Choline. This recipe is an excellent source of Protein, Iron, Niacin, Vitamin B6, Vitamin B12, Zinc, and Selenium; and a good source of Dietary Fiber, and Choline.

## **Mushroom Merlot Burgers**

Top these lean Ground Beef burgers with a merlot red wine sauce for a French twist on a classic.

Recipe time: 55 minutes Makes 4 servings

• 1-pound Ground Beef (95% lean)

- 2 tablespoons chopped fresh parsley
- 1/8 teaspoon salt
- 1/8 teaspoon pepper
- 4 large Portobello mushrooms
- 4 slices French bread, cut diagonally 1/2 inch thick
- 2 ounces goat cheese (1/2 cup)
- 4 romaine lettuce leaves
- Chopped fresh parsley (optional)

#### Sauce:

- 1 teaspoon olive oil
- 2 tablespoons minced shallots
- 1 cup Merlot or other dry red wine
- 1/4 cup ready-to-serve beef broth
- 2 teaspoons fresh thyme, chopped
- 1 tablespoon butter
- 2 teaspoons all-purpose flour
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper

- 1. To prepare sauce, heat oil in large nonstick skillet over low heat. Add shallots; cook and stir 6 to 8 minutes or until caramelized. Stir in wine, broth and thyme. Cook over medium-high heat 8 to 10 minutes or until liquid is reduced to 1/2 cup. Combine butter and flour; whisk into sauce. Stir in 1/4 teaspoon salt and 1/4 teaspoon pepper. Cover; keep warm.
- 2. Combine ground beef, 2 tablespoons parsley, 1/8 teaspoon salt and 1/8 teaspoon pepper in large bowl, mixing lightly but thoroughly. Lightly shape into four 1/2-inch thick patties. Set aside.
- 3. Place mushrooms on grid over medium, ash-covered coals; grill, uncovered, 16 to 18 minutes or until tender, turning occasionally. About 10 minutes before mushrooms are done, move mushrooms to outer edge of grid. Place patties on center of the grid; grill 8 to 10 minutes (over medium heat on preheated gas grill, covered, 7 to 9 minutes) until instant-read thermometer inserted horizontally into center registers 160°F, turning occasionally. Place bread slices on grid; grill until toasted, turning once.
- 4. Reheat sauce, if necessary. Spread 1/2 of cheese on toasted bread slices. Top each with lettuce leaf, mushroom and burger; drizzle evenly with sauce. Crumble remaining goat cheese over tops; sprinkle with parsley, as desired.

#### Recipe and photo as seen in *The Healthy Beef Cookbook*, published by Houghton Mifflin Harcourt

Nutrition Information, using 95% lean Ground Beef: 454 Calories; 15g Total Fat; 7g Saturated Fat; 5g Monounsaturated Fat; 79mg Cholesterol; 557mg Sodium; 40g Total carbohydrate; 33g Protein; 5.2mg Iron; 11.5mg Niacin; 0.5mg Vitamin B6; 2.2mcg Vitamin B12; 6.7mg Zinc; 50.6mcg Selenium; 3.5g Dietary Fiber; 33 g Protein; 5.2 mg Iron; 11.5 mg NE Niacin; 0.5 mg Vitamin B6; 2.2 mcg Vitamin B12; 6.7 mg Zinc; 50.6 mcg Selenium. This recipe is an excellent source of Protein, Iron, Niacin, Vitamin B6, Vitamin B12, Zinc, and Selenium; and a good source of Dietary Fiber.

## **Tuscan Burgers & Avocado-Tomato Spread**

This tasty new way to top Ground Beef burgers is sure to please your crowd. Fresh avocado, sun-dried tomatoes and a touch of garlic brings this burger to new heights.

Recipe time: 30 minutes Makes 4 servings

- 1-pound Ground Beef
- 1 avocado, peeled and pitted
- 2 tablespoons finely chopped oil-packed sun-dried tomatoes
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1/2 cup basil leaves, divided
- 1 teaspoon kosher salt
- 4 whole-grain hamburger buns, split
- 1/3 cup finely chopped fresh fennel bulb (core removed)



- 1. Mash avocado in small bowl (should be chunky, not smooth). Add sun-dried tomatoes and half of garlic; mix well. Set aside.
- 2. Combine ground beef, remaining garlic, 2 tablespoons minced basil leaves and salt in medium bowl, mixing lightly but thoroughly. Lightly shape into four 1/2-inch-thick patties.
- 3. Heat large nonstick skillet over medium heat until hot. Place patties in skillet; cook 10 to 12 minutes to medium (160°F) doneness, turning occasionally. Remove patties from skillet. Place buns, cut side down in skillet, cook 1 minute or until lightly toasted.
- 4. Place burgers on bottom of buns; top each with equal amounts avocado-tomato spread, fennel and remaining basil leaves. Close sandwiches.

Nutrition information per serving: 398 Calories; 162 Calories from fat; 18g Total Fat (4 g Saturated Fat; 9 g Monounsaturated Fat;) 76 mg Cholesterol; 898 mg Sodium; 32 g Total Carbohydrate; 10.1 g Dietary Fiber; 31 g Protein; 5.8 mg Iron; 9.3 mg NE Niacin; 0.7 mg Vitamin  $B_6$ ; 2.3 mcg Vitamin  $B_{12}$ ; 7.6 mg Zinc; 39.7 mcg Selenium; 98.6 mg Choline.

This recipe is an excellent source of Dietary Fiber, Protein, Iron, Niacin, Vitamin B6, Vitamin B12, Zinc, and Selenium; and a good source of Choline.

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