

Tomato Gazpacho and Garnish

FOR THE GAZPACHO [YIELDS 3.50T]

3400g ripe tomatoes, cored (tomatoes MUST BE RIPE)

125g shallot, peeled, sliced ½" thick 10g garlic, peeled, sliced ¼" thick

150g celery heart

630g euro cucumber, peeled, cut 2" pieces

560g yellow bell pepper, cored and seeded, cut 2" pieces 25g red fresno or red finger chili, seeded, cut ½" pieces

- Arrange tomatoes on a rack on a sheet tray and cook in a 350F oven for 10 minutes or until skin is easily peeled and tomatoes have begun to release water.
- Peel tomatoes and break into quarters in a large bowl, keeping all the juice together.
- In batches, puree the tomatoes with remaining vegetables in a food processor to a fine mash, then strain, pushing for total extraction.

Season with:

58g salt | 20g sugar | 45g red wine vinegar

Put in a metal container and ice down in a well-salted ice bath to make extremely cold.

THE ASSEMBLY [TO SERVE 1 PORTION]

6oz ice cold gazpacho

1 each red cherry tomato, ends removed, cut in ½ yellow cherry tomato, ends removed, cut in ½

1 tbsp euro cucumber, bruno

6 each ¼" cubes avocado

1 each small basil leaf, cut into 4 small pieces

1 each raspberry, cut in ¼'s

1 each pickled chili

As needed:

Fleur de sel | Black pepper | Extra-virgin olive oil

- Arrange garnishes starting at 12 o clock in the order that they are listed.
- Season gently with fleur de sel and drizzle with extra-virgin olive oil.
- 3. Pour soup around garnish.

Fried Delta Catfish Sandwich, Red Pepper Jam Mayo, Collard Greens, Kale

THE FISH

1 each - catfish filet - 5oz to 6 oz per portion

THE DREDGE

- 1. Dust the catfish with blackening spices and dip in egg wash.
- Place in a mixture of half flour and half cornmeal. 2.
- 3. Frv at 300F for 3 to 4 minutes. Place on a towel to drain the oil and season.

RED PEPPER JAM MAYO

80g red pepper jam

70q mayo

hot sauce 30a

Mix all ingredients in a blend until smooth.

BRAISED COLLARDS GREENS

9 kilo	collard greens and	SPICE BUTTER	
	kale, cut	1 kilo	butter, soft, plus ¼lb
200g	sweet onion, sliced	50g	Aleppo pepper
50g	garlic, minced	20 pieces	green cardamom
500g	brown sugar	6 pieces	bay leaf, fresh
1 litre	vinegar, apple cider	6 pieces	cinnamon sticks
2 litre	water	50g	fennel seeds, ground
		30g	fenugreek, ground
		30g	cumin, ground
			salt to taste

TO MAKE THE SPICE BUTTER

- Toast all the ingredients in a pot with the ¼ lb of butter until 1. aroma is present.
- 2. Fold into tempered butter and reserve for service.

DIRECTIONS FOR COOKING THE GREENS

- Sweat the onions and garlic with the kilo of spice butter until onions are translucent.
- 2. Add the brown sugar and cook out for a few minutes.
- 3. Deglaze with the vinegar and reduce by half, then add the greens and the water and cook for 20 minutes or until tender.
- Season and cool. 4.

CRISP FRIED KALE

- 1. Preset the fryer at 300F and fry kale until crisp.
- 2. Place on a paper towel and season with salt.

THE ASSEMBLY

1oz

1 piece long parker house or soft roll 1 each catfish filet, crisp fried 1oz red pepper mayo jam 1.5oz braised collards, chopped down 2.5oz crisp fried kale

Serve crisp fried kale on the side.

pickles, B&B

Red Pepper Chutney

5lbs mixed peppers, fire roasted, peel skin but leave some char

for flavor

½ quart ginger, diced small ¾ quart garlic, sliced 1 quart red wine vinegar

¼ quart water
1 quart sugar
1 bay leaf

- 1. Fire roast the peppers and then peel and dice or grind them.
- In a rondeau, sweat the ginger and garlic and cook until well done with no color.
- 3. Add the peppers and cook out the liquid.
- 4. Add the vinegar, water, sugar, bay leaf.
- 5. Cook until the consistency of chutney and season to taste.

Makes 32 portions of 2oz each.

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