



## Smokin' Creole Seasoning

This seasoning blend jazzes up fish, meat, rice, soups and stews.

Use it in your favorite Gumbo or Red Beans and Rice recipe for a true New Orleans culinary experience!

# Beef Empanada (makes 9 servings or 36

empanadas)

### **Ingredients**

- 1 cup All-Purpose Flour
- 1 cup Unsalted Butter
- 2 lbs Beef Sirloin or Tri-Tip (diced small) \*
- 4 cups Yellow Onion (diced)
- 4 cloves Garlic (minced)
- 4 Tbls Organic Herb Oil (or olive oil)
- Golden Raisins
- 2 cups Beef Broth
- 1 cup Black Olives (pitted and chopped)
- 3 cups flour (for table to prevent sticking)
- 6 eggs (whisked, with a splash of cold water)
- 2 Tbls Smokin' Texas Gourmet Smokin' Creole Seasoning
- 1 Tbls Smokin' Texas Gourmet Spiced Dry Rub
- ½ Tbls Smokin' Texas Gourmet Garlic, Salt, and Pepper (GSP)
- 36 Each Golla Empanada Dough (3 packages of 12 each) (keep cold in refrigerator until use)

\*Can substitute smoked brisket or smoked pork shoulder (brisket or pork empanadas). For a beef and chorizo empanada, replace half the beef with ground chorizo.



#### Directions

(Heat oven to 325 degrees F in oven, Oil to 350 degrees F if frying)

#### **Roux Preparation**

- 1. In a sauté pot, prepare the roux by melting 1 cup of unsalted butter over medium heat
- 2. When butter is melted add 1 cup flour and whisk together until slightly brown
- 3. Set aside for cooling and later use

#### **Beef Mix Preparation**

- 4. To a large skillet or sauté pan add the herb/olive oil with medium heat
- 5. Add diced onions and stir until translucent and slightly brown, about 5 minutes
- 6. Add minced garlic and diced beef, sauté until beef is brown and cooked
- 7. Add all seasonings and mix well
- 8. Add beef stock and heat to a boil, reduce by half then turn heat to low/medium
- 9. Add raisins and black olives, stir together for about 3 minutes
- 10. Slowly add roux with stirring until the mixture is of "chili" consistency

#### **Empanada Assembly Preparation**

- 11. On a clean table spread flour
- 12. Lay out empanada rounds on flour
- 13. With a small brush, coat lightly the entire empanada dough with the egg wash
- 14. With a 2 oz. scoop, fill with the beef mixture in center of dough
- 15. Fold into a half circle, seal the half circle with a fork
- 16. With the same brush, wash the entire empanada
- 17. Cook in oven at 325 degrees F for 20 minutes or until golden brown (or in fryer at 325F)

#### Note:

- 1. Smokin' Texas Gourmet Garlic Salt and Pepper is a 1<sup>st</sup> Place Gold Medal Scovie Food Show winner in Seasoning, Prepared Foods!
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