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Mini Buffalo Chicken Balls

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45 mins total 30 mins prep

T Full Screen 40 3/4-in meatballs

ecipe courtesy of The Meatball Shop Cookbook by Daniel Holzman and Michael Chernow with Lauren Deen/Ballantine Books, 2011.

Ingredients

- 2 tablespoons vegetable oil
- 4 tablespoons (1/2 stick) unsalted butter
- 1/3 cup Frank's RedHot Sauce or any other favorite hot sauce
- 1 pound ground chicken, preferably thigh meat
- 1 large large egg
- 1/2 celery stalk, minced
- 3/4 cup bread crumbs
- 1 teaspoon salt

Directions

Preheat the oven to 450° F. Drizzle the vegetable oil into a 9×13 -inch baking dish and use your hand to evenly coat the entire surface. Set aside.

Combine the butter and hot sauce in a small saucepan, and cook over low heat, whisking until the butter is melted and fully incorporated. Remove from the heat and allow the mixture to cool for 10 minutes.

Combine the hot sauce mixture, ground chicken, egg, celery, bread crumbs, and salt in a large mixing bowl and mix by hand until thoroughly incorporated.

Roll the mixture into round, 3/4-inch balls, making sure to pack the meat firmly. Place the balls in the prepared baking dish, being careful to line them up snugly and in even rows vertically and horizontally to form a grid. The meatballs should be touching one another.

Roast for 15 to 20 minutes, or until the meatballs are firm and cooked through. A meat thermometer inserted into the center of a meatball should read 165F.

Allow the meatballs to cool for 5 minutes in the baking dish before serving.

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Tandoori Lamb Balls

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2 30 mins total 10 mins prep

☐ Full Screen 2 dozen 1 1/2-in meatballs

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Ingredients

- 2 teaspoons olive oil
- 2 pounds ground lamb
- 1/2 cup bread crumbs
- 2 large eggs
- 1 cup chopped fresh cilantro (including stems)
- Juice from 1 lemon
- 1/4 cup cup tandoori spice mix (recipe follows)
- 2 teaspoons salt
- TANDOORI SPICE MIX
- 2 teaspoons ground ginger 2 teaspoons ground cumin
- 2 teaspoons ground coriander
- 2 teaspoons sweet paprika
- 2 teaspoons ground turmeric 2 teaspoons cayenne pepper
- Mix together.

Directions

Preheat the oven to 450°F. Drizzle the olive oil into a 9x13-inch baking dish and use your hand to

evenly coat the entire surface. Set aside.

Combine the ground lamb, bread crumbs, eggs, cilantro, lemon juice, tandoori spice mix, and salt in a large mixing bowl and mix by hand until thoroughly incorporated.

Roll the mixture into round, golf ball-size meatballs (about 1 1/2 inches), making sure to pack the

meat firmly. Place the balls in the prepared baking dish, being careful to line them up snugly and in even rows vertically and horizontally to form a grid. The meatballs should be touching one another. Roast for 20 minutes, or until the meatballs are firm and cooked through. A meat thermometer inserted into the center of a meatball should read 165F.

Allow the meatballs to cool for 5 minutes in the baking dish before serving

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Veggie Balls

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Full Screen 2 dozen 1 1/2-in meatballs

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Ingredients

- 2 cups lentils
- 1/4 cup plus 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 1 large onion, chopped
- 2 carrots, chopped
- 2 celery stalks, chopped
- 1 garlic clove, minced
- 1 tablespoon chopped fresh thyme
- 2 teaspoons salt
- 8 ounces Button Mushrooms, wiped clean and sliced
- 3 large eggs
- 1/2 cup grated Parmesan cheese 1/2 cup bread crumbs
- 1/2 cup chopped fresh parsley
- 1/4 cup finely chopped walnuts

Directions

Combine the lentils and 2 quarts water in a medium stockpot and bring to a boil over high heat. Reduce the heat to low and simmer until the lentils are soft (but not falling apart), about 25 minutes. Drain the lentils and allow to cool.

Add 1/4 cup of the olive oil to a large frying pan and sauté the onions, carrots, celery, garlic, thyme, and salt over medium-high heat, stirring frequently, for about 10 minutes, until the vegetables are tender and just beginning to brown. Add the tomato paste and continue to cook, stirring constantly, for 3 minutes. Add the mushrooms and cook, stirring frequently, for 15 more minutes, or until all the liquid is absorbed. Transfer the mixture to a large bowl and allow to cool to room temperature. When cool, add the lentils to the vegetable mixture.

Add the eggs, Parmesan, bread crumbs, parsley, and walnuts to the cooled vegetable mixture and mix by hand until thoroughly incorporated. Place in the refrigerator for 25 minutes.

Preheat the oven to 400°F.

Drizzle the remaining 2 tablespoons olive oil into a 9x13-inch baking dish and use your hand to evenly coat the entire surface. Set aside.

Roll the mixture into round, gold ball-size meatballs (about 1 1/2 inches), making sure to pack the vegetable mixture firmly. Place the balls in the prepared baking dish, allowing 1/4-inch of space between the balls and place them in even rows vertically and horizontally to form a grid.

Roast for 30 minutes, or until the meatballs are firm and cooked through

Allow the meatballs to cool for 5 minutes in the baking dish before serving.