# The Betty Crocker Difference-

Betty Crocker used to say, "You get a perfect cake every time you bake—cake after cake after cake." Today we can say it about Paella or Quiche Lorraine or Cinnamon Rolls or any one of the hundreds of recipes in this book. We can make this statement with complete confidence—and this is the Betty Crocker difference.

No one sat down and "wrote" this cookbook. No one clipped and snipped and borrowed from old books and said, "Here's one that will do." We work our recipes out—and we do mean work! Work that starts with the first idea or need for a recipe. Work that leads to a recipe developed by one of our home economists and taste tested by a small but critical group of staff members who take the recipe apart, ask questions, suggest changes and possible variations.

When the dish has been prepared again and again, when we have tried it with you in mind—to see what happens if you add a little more or a little less liquid, if you use eggs that are larger or smaller than ours, if your oven temperature is set a bit high or low—when we have made it as cook-proof as we can, what happens?

Then the recipe goes to a new group of home economists and tasters. And if it works for them, and if they like it, then it's ready to go to our test panel of 1300 homemakers in all parts of the country.

# THE COOKBOOK WITH THE DIFFERENCE— AND THAT DIFFERENCE IS BETTY CROCKER



HERE ARE ALL YOUR FAVORITE RECIPES
PLUS...
• SCORES OF HELPFUL KITCHEN HINTS
• NEW STEP-BY-STEP PICTURES
• EXCITING NEW IDEAS TO MAKE EACH MEAL
A TIME-SAVING, TASTE-TEMPTING DELIGHT...

THE HAPPY AND PROVEN RESULTS OF MORE THAN THREE YEARS OF INTENSIVE DEVELOPING, CHECKING AND RECHECKING IN THE BETTY CROCKER KITCHENS AND IN HOMES ALL ACROSS THE UNITED STATES.

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We ask these women to use the recipe and tell us how their families liked it. "Did it seem too expensive?" "Was it too much trouble?" "Could you find all the ingredients?" "Were the directions clear?" "Will you make it again?" Then—tested!... re-tested!... people-tested!—and only then does the recipe go into our cookbook.

And it is because of all this work—what we call the Betty Crocker difference—that we can say, "if you follow the recipes exactly, you can be sure of perfect results—every time!"

For this you can trust Betty Crocker!

#### TERMS-WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

#### FOR PREPARING INGREDIENTS

Crush: Press to extract juice with garlic press, mallet or side of knife (garlic).

Mince: Cut into very small pieces (garlic, onion).

Snip: Cut into very small pieces with a scissors (parsley, chives).

**Chop:** Cut into pieces with a knife or other sharp tool (hold end of knife tip on the board with one hand; move the blade up and down with the other).

Dice: Cut into small cubes (less than 1/2 inch).

Cube: Cut into cubes 1/2 inch or larger.

Sliver: Cut into long thin pieces (almonds).

Julienne: Cut into matchlike sticks (cooked meat, cheese).

Grate: Cut into tiny particles using small holes of grater (lemon peel).

Shred: Cut into thin pieces using large holes on grater or shredder (cheese).

Pare: Cut off outer covering with a knife or other sharp tool (potatoes, apples).

Peel: Strip off outer covering (oranges).

#### FOR COMBINING INGREDIENTS

(Note: These are arranged from the gentlest action to the most vigorous.)

Toss: Tumble ingredients lightly with a lifting motion (salads).

Fold: Combine ingredients lightly by a combination of two motions: one cuts vertically through mixture, the other slides the spatula or wire whisk across the bottom of the bowl and up the side, turning over (chiffon cakes, soufflés). fibers. Cut each half into 6 lengthwise wedges. Remove outside rind. Cut crosswise slits 1½ inches apart in each melon wedge.

Cut ¼ pound sliced prosciutto (Italian ham) into 1inch strips. Place several strips of ham over each wedge; push ham into slits.

12 servings.

#### VARIATION

■ Bite-size Melon and Prosciutto: Cut pared melon into bite-size pieces. Wrap each piece in strips of prosciutto; secure with picks.

#### SHRIMP COCKTAIL

Everyone's favorite starter course! If serving buffet style, better plan on seconds for everybody. For some reason, they disappear twice as fast.

- 1 bottle (12 ounces) chili sauce
- 1 to 2 tablespoons horseradish
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice
- ½ teaspoon Worcestershire sauce

1/4 teaspoon salt Dash pepper

36 cleaned cooked medium shrimp, chilled

Combine all ingredients except shrimp; chill sauce thoroughly. To serve as individual appetizers, mix shrimp with sauce and serve in lettuce-lined cocktail sherbets.

For a party snack, fill a large bowl with crushed ice and place a dish of sauce in center; arrange shrimp over ice. Serve with picks for dipping shrimp into sauce.

6 servings.

#### CLAMS ON THE HALF SHELL

36 shell clams (littlenecks or cherrystones) Cocktail Sauce (page 580)
Lemon wedges

Wash clams thoroughly, discarding any broken-shell or open (dead) clams. Hold clam in palm of one hand with the shell's hinge against the palm. Insert a slender, strong, sharp knife between the halves of the shell and carefully cut around the clam, twisting the knife slightly to pry open the shell.

Cut both muscles from shells. Remove only half of the shell. Arrange a bed of crushed ice in 6 shallow bowls or plates. Place 6 half-shell clams on ice with small container of Cocktail Sauce in center. Garnish with lemon wedges.

6 servings.

#### OYSTERS ON THE HALF SHELL

For each serving, scrub 5 or 6 medium oysters in shell under running cold water. Break off thin end of shell with hammer. Force a table knife or shucking knife between shell at broken end; pull apart. Cut oyster at muscle to separate from shell. Remove any bits of shell. Place oyster on deep half of shell; discard other half.

Arrange filled shells on crushed ice. Garnish with parsley and lemon wedges. Serve with rye bread and spicy cocktail sauce.

#### SHRIMP REMOULADE

An elegant beginning for an important dinner party. Colorful, zesty and sure to satisfy even the most discriminating diner.

- 1/2 cup plus 2 tablespoons salad oil
- 1/4 cup prepared mustard
- 3 tablespoons vinegar 1 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon red pepper sauce
- 2 tablespoons paprika
- 1 hard-cooked egg yolk
- 1/2 cup minced celery

- 2 tablespoons grated onion
- 2 tablespoons snipped parsley
- 2 tablespoons minced green pepper
- 1 hard-cooked egg white, chopped
- 1 pound cleaned cooked medium shrimp\* Crisp lettuce leaves

Beat oil, mustard, vinegar, salt, red pepper sauce, paprika and egg yolk with rotary beater until thick and blended. Fold in celery, onion, parsley, green pepper and egg white. Gently stir in shrimp. Cover; chill, stirring occasionally.

Just before serving, spoon shrimp mixture into lettuce-lined cocktail sherbets.

4 or 5 servings.

<sup>\*</sup>From 2 pounds fresh or frozen raw shrimp (in shells), 2 packages (7 ounces each) frozen peeled shrimp or 3 cans (4½ or 5 ounces each) shrimp.



1. Cut in shortening until mixture resembles meal.



2. Round up dough; knead 20 to 25 times about 1/2 minute.



- 3. Cut with floured cutter; keep rounds close together.
- 4. For crusty sides, bake biscuits 1 to 2 inches apart.



#### SOUTHERN BISCUITS

- 2 cups all-purpose flour\*
- 2 teaspoons sugar
- 2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1 teaspoon salt

- 1/2 teaspoon soda
- 1/3 cup shortening 2/3 cup buttermilk

Heat oven to 450°. Measure flour, sugar, baking powder, salt and soda into bowl. Cut in shortening thoroughly, until mixture looks like meal.

Stir in almost all the buttermilk. If dough is not pliable, add just enough milk to make a soft, puffy, easy-to-roll dough.

Round up dough on lightly floured cloth-covered board. Knead lightly 20 to 25 times, about 1/2 minute. Roll a little less than 1/2 inch thick. Cut with floured biscuit cutter. Place on ungreased baking sheet. Bake 10 to 12 minutes or until golden brown.

About 2 dozen 13/4-inch biscuits.

\*If using salf-rising flour, omit baking powder and salt.

#### BUTTER DIPS

1/4 cup butter or margarine 11/4 cups all-purpose flour\* 1 teaspoon salt

2 teaspoons sugar

2 teaspoons baking powder

2/3 cup milk

Heat oven to 450°. In square pan, 9x9x2 inches, melt butter in oven. Remove pan from oven.

Measure flour, sugar, baking powder and salt into

bowl. Add milk; stir just until dough forms.

Turn dough onto well-floured cloth-covered board. Roll dough around to coat with flour. Knead lightly about times. Roll into 8-inch square. With floured knife, cut dough in half, then cut each half into nine 4-inch strips. Dip each strip into melted butter, coating both sides; arrange strips close together in 2 rows in pan. Bake 15 to 20 minutes or until golden brown.

18 sticks.

not use quick-mixing flour in this recipe. If using self-rising flour, omit powder and salt.

#### NOODLES ALFREDO

- 8 ounces wide egg noodles 1/2 cup butter or margarine
- 1/2 cup light cream (20%) 1 cup grated Parmesan cheese
- 1 tablespoon parsley flakes 1/4 teaspoon salt Dash pepper

Cook noodles as directed on page 352. While noodle made with potatoes. cook, heat butter and cream in small saucepan over lo heat until butter is melted. Stir in cheese, parsley flake salt and pepper; keep warm over low heat.

Return drained noodles to kettle. Pour sauce on noodles, stirring gently until noodles are well coated.

5 to 6 servings.

#### NOODLES ROMANOFF

- 8 ounces wide egg noodles
- 2 cups dairy sour cream
- 1/4 cup grated Parmesan cheese
- 1 tablespoon snipped chives 1 teaspoon salt
- 1/8 teaspoon pepper 1 large clove garlic, crushe
- 2 tablespoons butter or margarine
- 1/4 cup grated Parmesan cheese

Cook noodles as directed on page 352. While nood cook, stir together sour cream, 1/4 cup cheese, the child salt, pepper and garlic.

Return drained noodles to kettle and stir in bull Fold in sour cream mixture. Arrange on warm plat sprinkle with 1/4 cup cheese.

6 to 8 servings.

#### PARTY NOODLES ROMANOFF

Prepare 1 package (5.5 ounces) noodles Romano directed on package except—stir in one of the follow 1/2 cup shredded Parmess

cheese

- 1 tablespoon snipped chives
- 1 teaspoon poppy seed
- 1 tablespoon chopped green onion
- 1/2 cup cottage cheese and 1 tablespoon snipped chives

Garnish with paprika or snipped parsley. 4 servings.

## Cornmeal

Used in stuffings, breads and puddings, or served as mush, cornmeal is a traditional favorite. In the broad Po River Valley of Central and Northern Italy, where corn is a staple food, gravied mush is served as Polenta. Gnocchi, another Italian cornmeal specialty, can also be

#### FRIED CORNMEAL MUSH

Do some of the preparation the night before and get a warm start on a wintry day—the easy way.

1 cup cornmeal 1 cup cold water 3 cups boiling water

1 teaspoon salt

2 tablespoons butter or margarine

Flour Syrup or jelly

Grease loaf pan, 9x5x3 or 81/2 x41/2 x2 inches. Mix cornmeal and cold water in saucepan. Stir in boiling water and salt. Cook, stirring constantly until mixture thickens and boils. Cover; cook over low heat 10 minutes. Spoon into pan. Cover; chill at least 12 hours.

Invert pan to unmold cornmeal mush. Cut loaf into 1/2 -inch slices. Melt butter in large skillet. Coat slices with flour; brown on each side in skillet. Serve hot with syrup and, if desired, with bacon, ham or sausage.

9 servings.

### GNOCCHI

A traditional Northern Italian dish. Serve it as a first course or

21/2 cups milk

1 cup white cornmeal 1 tablespoon butter or

margarine 2 eggs, well beaten 1/4 teaspoon salt

2 tablespoons butter or margarine

1/4 to 1/2 cup grated Parmesan

Butter square pan, 8x8x2 inches. Heat milk to scalding in medium saucepan. Reduce heat; stirring constantly about 5 stantly, about 5 minutes or until thick (spoon will stand upright in the gnocchi). Remove from heat; mix in 1 ta-

#### VARIATION

Lobster Tails Thermidor: Substitute 4 frozen John amounts of other ingredients. After filling shells, pla remaining lobster mixture in individual casserole a bake as directed.

Note: To cook frozen lobster tails, heat 2 quarts wat 1 pound scallops and 2 tablespoons salt to boiling. Add lobster tails: conand heat to boiling. Reduce heat; simmer 15 minute When cool, cut through membranes lengthwise. Remo membranes. Remove meat from shells; separate i small pieces.

#### SCALLOP KABOBS

- 1 pound scallops 1 can (4 ounces) button
- mushrooms, drained
- 2 tablespoons salad oil 2 tablespoons soy sauce
- 2 tablespoons lemon juice
- 2 tablespoons snipped parsley
- 1/2 teaspoon salt Dash pepper
- 12 bacon slices
- 1 can (131/2 ounces) pineapple chunks, drained Green pepper chunks Melted butter

If the large sea scallops are used, cut each into 3 4 pieces. Wash scallops; remove any shell particle Place scallops and mushrooms in shallow glass dis Combine oil, soy sauce, lemon juice, parsley, salt a pepper; pour over scallops and mushrooms. Cove refrigerate 30 minutes, turning scallops and mushroom once.

Partially fry bacon; drain and cut slices in half. skewers, alternate scallops, mushrooms, bacon, apple and green pepper.

Set oven control at broil and/or 550°. Broil kabo 3 inches from heat 5 to 8 minutes, turning once basting with butter.

4 servings.

Note: To charcoal-grill kabobs, cook 4 inches for medium coals 6 to 8 minutes on each side.

#### MOQUILLES ST. JACQUES

tails (5 to 6 ounces each) for the live lobsters; doub la Parisienne—one of the most popular versions of the tradiinnal baked scallop recipe. Delicate flavor and a touch of elenance that's sure to please discriminating men and women

2 tablespoons minced onion

tablespoon butter or margarine 1 tablespoon lemon juice

14 teaspoon salt

1/2 teaspoon marjoram leaves Dash paprika

4 cup dry white wine

14 pound mushrooms. washed, trimmed and coarsely chopped (about 11/2 cups)

1/3 cup butter or margarine

1/4 cup all-purpose flour 1 cup whipping cream

2 teaspoons snipped parsley

1 tablespoon butter or margarine

1/3 cup dry bread crumbs

If the large sea scallops are used, cut each into 3 or <sup>4</sup> pieces. Wash scallops; remove any shell particles and drain.

In medium saucepan, cook and stir onion in 1 tablespoon butter until onion is tender. Add scallops, lemon luice, salt, marjoram leaves, paprika and wine; simmer uncovered 10 minutes. Add mushrooms; simmer 2 minutes longer. Drain liquid from scallop mixture; set aside.

Melt 1/3 cup butter in medium saucepan over low heat. Blend in flour. Cook over low heat, stirring until mixture s smooth and bubbly. Remove from heat. Stir in reserved liquid and the cream. Heat to boiling, stirring constantly. Boil and stir 1 minute. Stir in parsley.

Reserving about ½ cup sauce in saucepan, pour remainder over scallop and mushroom mixture; heat hrough, stirring frequently. Immediately spoon scallop mixture into 6 individual baking shells; spread each with about 1 tablespoon reserved sauce.

Melt 1 tablespoon reserved sauce.

Melt 1 tablespoon butter in small skillet; add bread crumbs, stirring until brown. Place shells on baking sheat sheet. Set oven control at broil and/or 550°; broil shells inches s inches from heat 5 to 8 minutes or until bubbly and brown. Sprinkle crumbs over shells.

#### PORK HAWAIIAN

1 egg

2 tablespoons water

1/4 cup all-purpose flour

1/4 teaspoon salt

2 cups cubed cooked pork

3 tablespoons shortening

1 tablespoon cornstarch

1 can (131/2 ounces) pineapple tidbits. drained (reserve syrup) 2 tablespoons vinegar

2 tablespoons soy sauce

1 medium green pepper. cut into strips

1 can (5 ounces) water chestnuts, drained and thinly sliced

1 can (3 ounces) sliced mushrooms, drained

Beat egg thoroughly in medium bowl. Add water, flour and salt; beat until smooth. Stir in meat, mixing until coated. Melt shortening in medium skillet. Add meal mixture; cook and stir until meat is brown. Remove from heat: keep warm.

Blend cornstarch, reserved pineapple syrup, the vine gar and soy sauce in saucepan. Cook over medium heat stirring constantly, until mixture thickens and boils. Boll and stir 1 minute. Stir in pineapple, green pepper, water chestnuts and mushrooms. Cook and stir until green pepper is tender. Stir in meat; heat through.

6 servings.

#### HAM MEDITERRANEAN

- 7 or 8 ounces elbow macaroni (about 2 cups)
- 2 cups Medium White Sauce (page 566)
- 2 cups shredded process sharp American cheese (about 8 ounces)
- 2 cups cubed cooked ham or canned pork luncheon meat

- 1 can (3 ounces) sliced mushrooms, drained
- 2 teaspoons chopped pimiento
- 1/4 cup broken cashews Snipped parsley

Cook macaroni as directed on page 352. While macaroni as directed on page 352. roni cooks, prepare Medium White Sauce. Stir cheese into hot sauce until melted.

Return drained macaroni to kettle. Stir in ham, mush rooms, pimiento and cheese sauce; heat through serve. sprinkle with serve, sprinkle with cashews. Garnish with snipped parsley. parsley.

4 to 6 servings.

#### "HOT DOG" CASSEROLE

Instant mashed potato puffs

1/4 cup sweet pickle relish. drained

2 tablespoons mayonnaise or salad dressing

1 tablespoon instant minced onion

2 teaspoons prepared mustard

4 to 6 frankfurters

Heat oven to 350°. Prepare potato puffs for 4 servings as directed on package. Stir in pickle relish, mayonnaise, onion and mustard. Spoon into ungreased 1-quart casserole.

Cut each frankfurter lengthwise in half, then cut crosswise in half. Insert frankfurter pieces upright around edge of mashed potatoes. Bake uncovered 25 to 30 minutes.

4 servings.

#### Quick'n Easy SPANISH RICE

6 slices bacon, diced 4 cup chopped onion

1/4 cup chopped green pepper

3 cups cooked rice (page

1 can (1 pound) tomatoes

11/2 teaspoons salt 1/8 teaspoon pepper

Fry bacon in large skillet until crisp; remove bacon and drain. Pour off all but 2 tablespoons drippings. Add onion and green pepper to drippings in skillet; cook and stir until onion is tender. Stir in bacon and remaining ingredients; cook uncovered over low heat about 15

4 to 6 servings.

Note: To cook in oven, heat oven to 400°; pour mixture into greased 1½-quart casserole and bake uncovered 25 to 30 minutes.

## VARIATIONS

Spanish Rice with Sausage: Omit bacon and sub-Stitute 7 to 8 pork sausage links, cut into ¾-inch pieces (2 cups); cook sausages until brown.

Heat oven to 300°. Cut salt pork into several pieces; layer with beans and onion in ungreased 2-quart bean pot or casserole. Stir together remaining ingredients and 1 cup of the reserved liquid; pour over beans. Add enough of the remaining reserved liquid or water to almost cover beans. Cover; bake 3½ to 4 hours, removing cover for the last half of baking time. If beans look dry during baking, stir.

6 to 8 servings.

#### THREE-BEAN CASSEROLE

- 1 package (10 ounces) frozen lima beans
- 3 cans (about 1 pound 3 ounces each) baked beans (6 cups)
- 3 cans (about 15½ ounces each) kidney beans, drained (5 cups)
- 1 pound Italian link sausages or pork link sausages

- 1/2 pound cooked ham, cut into 1/2-inch cubes
- 1 medium onion, chopped (about ½ cup)
- 1 can (8 ounces) tomato sauce
- 1/2 cup catsup
- 1/4 cup brown sugar (packed)
- 1 tablespoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon pepper
- 1/2 teaspoon dry mustard

Heat oven to 400°. Cook lima beans as directed on package; drain. Turn into ungreased 4½-quart bean pot or casserole. Add baked beans and kidney beans.

In covered skillet, simmer sausages in small amount of water 5 minutes. Drain liquid from skillet and fry sausages until brown on all sides. (Do not prick sausages.) Cut each sausage into 2 or 3 pieces.

Add sausage pieces and ham to beans. Stir together remaining ingredients; pour over beans and gently mix.

Bake uncovered 1 hour.

10 to 12 servings.

## **Poultry Main Dishes**

The party Paella on page 483 is a spectacular that allows each guest to select his own favorite tidbits. The Spanish improvise on this dish, so why don't you? Additions might include meat, spicy sausages, small clams in the shell or green peppers. Other recipes are wonderful for after the holidays—perfect for leftovers.

#### PAELLA VALENCIANA

Exciting in flavor and appearance.

- 2½- to 3-pound broiler-fryer chicken, cut up
  - 1/4 cup olive oil
  - 8 slices onion, 1/8 inch thick 1 can (5 ounces) lobster,
- 4 medium tomatoes, cut up 1½ cups uncooked regular rice
  - 3 cups chicken broth\*
  - 2 tablespoons paprika
  - 2 tablespoons salt
- 1/2 teaspoon pepper
- 1/4 teaspoon cayenne red pepper
- 1/8 teaspoon saffron

- 2 cups cleaned shrimp\*\*
- 1 pound fish fillets (haddock or pike), cubed
  - drained and broken apart
- 1 package (10 ounces) frozen green peas, broken apart
- 1 can (15 ounces) artichoke hearts, drained
- 1 jar (4 ounces) sliced pimiento, drained

Wash chicken pieces and pat dry. In Dutch oven or heavy kettle, brown chicken in oil; remove chicken. Pour off fat.

Add onion and tomatoes; cook and stir 5 minutes or until onion is tender. Stir in rice, broth and next 5 seasonings. Add chicken. Cover tightly; simmer 20 minutes.

Gently stir in shrimp, fish, lobster and peas. Cover; simmer 15 minutes longer. Carefully stir in artichoke hearts and pimiento; heat through. If desired, garnish with parsley.

8 servings.

\*Chicken broth can be made by dissolving 3 chicken bouillon cubes in 3 cups boiling water, or use canned chicken broth.

# CHICKEN FRICASSEE WITH DUMPLINGS

- 4½- to 5-pound stewing chicken, cut up
  - 1 cup all-purpose flour
  - 2 teaspoons salt 1/4 teaspoon pepper
  - teaspoons paprika, if desired
- Shortening or salad oil
- 1 cup water
- 3 tablespoons flour Milk
  - Dumplings (page 484)

Wash chicken pieces and pat dry. Mix 1 cup flour, the salt, pepper and paprika. Coat chicken with flour mixture.

<sup>\*\*</sup>From 1½ pounds tresh or trozen raw shrimp (in shells) or 2 packages (7 ounces each) trozen peeled shrimp.

#### QUICK VEGETABLE SAUCES

In chilled bowl, beat 1/2 cup chilled whipping cream Fold in 1/2 cup mayonnaise and one of the following-For asparagus, broccoli or Brussels sprouts: 1/4 cum

capers.

For beets or carrots: 3 to 4 tablespoons horseradish 1/4 teaspoon dill weed.

For corn or lima beans: 1/4 cup chili sauce.

For green beans: 1/4 cup well-drained pickle relish. For green beans, peas or onions: 1/4 cup toasted sliv-

ered almonds, salted pecans or cashews.

cucumber.

#### QUICK GLORIFIED BUTTERS

For vegetables and fish.

Melt 1/4 cup butter or margarine and mix with one of the following-

Almonds: 1 tablespoon chopped toasted almonds.

Capers: 1 tablespoon minced capers. Celery Seed: 1 teaspoon celery seed.

Cheese: 2 tablespoons grated Parmesan cheese.

Chive-Parsley: 1 tablespoon snipped chives, 1 table spoon snipped parsley and 1/2 teaspoon salt.

Curry: 1/4 teaspoon curry powder.

Garlic: 1/4 teaspoon garlic powder.

Horseradish: 1 tablespoon horseradish.

Lemon: 1 teaspoon grated lemon peel and 2 table

spoons lemon juice.

Lemon-Chive: 1 teaspoon grated lemon peel, 2 table spoons lemon juice and 1 tablespoon snipped chives.

Mustard: 1/4 teaspoon dry or prepared mustard, 1 163

Olive: 1 tablespoon finely chopped pitted ripe of the chopped pitted ripe o spoon lemon juice, dash each sugar and salt.

Poppy Seed: 1 teaspoon poppy seed, 2 tablespoons mon juice and dash course green olives and few drops lemon juice.

lemon juice and dash cavenne red pepper.

#### BUTTER SAUCES

Drawn Butter: In small saucepan or skillet, heat butter or margarine over low heat until melted.

Browned Butter (Beurre Noisette): In small saucepan or skillet, heat butter or margarine until light brown.

Black Butter (Beurre Noir): In small saucepan or skil-For cauliflower: 2 tablespoons prepared mustard and let heat 1/3 cup butter or margarine until golden brown. Stir in 1 tablespoon vinegar or lemon juice; heat until hubbly. Add dash each salt and pepper. Serve immediately.

Maître d'Hôtel Butter: Blend 3 tablespoons soft butter or margarine, 1 tablespoon lemon juice, 1 tablespoon For tomatoes: 1/4 cup well-drained finely chopped snipped parsley, 1/2 teaspoon salt and 1/8 teaspoon pepper.

#### FLAVOR PLUS

Put new fun in your cooking, indoors and out. Try the following sauces, for instance. They're great companions for the barbecue grill (see pages 749-753), but they can be just as exciting as brush-ons when you broil indoors.

They're not marinades, so they won't tenderize. What they will do, however, is add great flavor to meat, poultry or fish. But, remember if you're using them outdoors, baste sparingly-drippings can cause unwanted flare-

# RANCHO-RED SAUCE

Melt 1 jar (10 ounces) red currant jelly in small sauce-Jar (10 ounces) red currant jeny in the land in 2 tableover low heat, stirring constantly. Dieng in 20 looping Worcestershire sauce. Baste meat during last 20 linutes. hules of cooking period. Serve remaining sauce hot.

<sup>\*1/2</sup> cup dairy sour cream can be substituted for the whipping cream

cheese. Cover; cook over medium heat, stirring occasionally, about 10 minutes or until squash is crisptender. Stir in cheese: heat through.

4 to 6 servings.

#### SQUASH-WINTER

Types: Medium-Acorn (Table Queen), Butternut; Large-Banana, Buttercup, Hubbard.

Amount for 4 servings: 3 pounds.

Season available: October through February.

When shopping: Look for good yellow-orange color,

hard, tough rinds; squash that is heavy.

Ways to serve: Buttered, with salt and pepper. . . . Removed from rind and mashed with cream, nutmeg, brown sugar, crumbled crisply fried bacon, candied ginger, grated orange peel or orange juice.

#### TO PREPARE

Large: Cut squash into serving pieces; remove seeds and fibers. For boiling, cut into slices or cubes. Medium: Cut in half; remove seeds and fibers.

#### TO COOK

To Bake: Place squash in ungreased baking dish, 131/2 x9x2 inches. Season cut sides with salt and pepper; dot with butter or margarine. Pour water into dish to 1/4-inch depth; cover with aluminum foil. Bake in 400° oven 30 minutes or until tender.

To Boil (for large squash): Heat 1 inch salted water (1/2 teaspoon salt to 1 cup water) to boiling. Add squash. Cover and heat to boiling; cook 15 to 20 minutes or until

tender. Drain.

#### SQUASH AND APPLE BAKE

- 2 pounds butternut or buttercup squash
- 1/2 cup brown sugar (packed)
- 1/4 cup butter or margarine, melted
- 1 tablespoon flour
- 1 teaspoon salt 1/2 teaspoon mace
- 2 baking apples, cored and cut into 1/2-inch slices

Heat oven to 350°. Cut each squash in half. Remove seeds and fibers; pare squash. Cut into ½-inch slices.

Stir together remaining ingredients except apple slices. Arrange squash in ungreased baking dish, 111/2x 71/2 x11/2 inches; top with apple slices. Sprinkle sugar mixture over top; cover with foil. Bake 50 to 60 minutes or until squash is tender.

6 servings.

#### **GOURMET GOLDEN SQUASH**

3 pounds Hubbard squash\* 2 tablespoons butter or

margarine

1 cup dairy sour cream

1/2 cup finely chopped onion 1 teaspoon salt

1/4 teaspoon pepper

If using fresh squash, prepare and boil cubed squash as directed at left.

Heat oven to 400°. Mash squash; stir in remaining ingredients. Turn mixture into ungreased 1-quart casserole. Bake uncovered 20 to 30 minutes.

6 servings.

or, use 2 packages (12 ounces each) frozen cooked squash, thawed.

#### NUTTY BAKED SQUASH

- 2 acorn squash (1 pound each)
- 3 cup cracker crumbs cup coarsely chopped pecans
- 1/3 cup butter or margarine, melted
- 3 tablespoons brown sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon nutmeg

Cut each squash in half; remove seeds and fibers. Stir ogether remaining ingredients; spoon 1/4 of mixture into each half. Bake as directed at left.

4 servings.

## SWEET POTATOES-JERSEY SWEETS, YAMS

Amount for 4 servings: 2 pounds (about 6 medium). Season available: All year.

when shopping: Look for smooth, even colored skins; otatoes that are firm and nicely shaped.

Ways to serve: Buttered, with salt and pepper. . . .

ashed or candied. . . . In soufflés.