Brie, Onion and Mushroom Fondue Sandwich

Grilled seeded whole grain bread, warm brie, caramelized onions, charred mushrooms and pickled cauliflower

Prep Time: 15 to 20 minutes Cook Time: 35 to 45 minutes plus 20 minutes for cooling jardiniere Yield: 4 servings; 1 sandwich with 1/3 cup cauliflower jardiniere per serving

Sweet Pickled Cauliflower Jardiniere

1/3 cup white cauliflower florets
1/3 cup purple cauliflower florets
1/3 cup carrots thinly sliced on the bias
1/3 cup red bell peppers thinly sliced on the bias
1/3 cups apple cider vinegar
1/2 cup water
3 tablespoons granulated sugar
4 teaspoons Kosher salt

Caramelized Onions

2 cups yellow onions, cut in half and sliced into ¼-inch half-moons 1 teaspoon canola oil 1/2 teaspoon Kosher salt

Charred Oyster Mushrooms

8 ounces oyster mushrooms, broken into small clusters 2 tablespoons canola oil 1/8 ounce of each fresh rosemary and thyme 1/4 teaspoon of each Kosher salt and pepper

Sandwich Assembly

4 tablespoons butter, divided

8 slices 9-grain bread 13 ounces Brie cheese sliced into 12 (1/2-inch) slices

- 1 cup caramelized onions
- 1 1/3 cups charred oyster mushrooms
- 11/3 cups sweet pickled cauliflower jardiniere





- 1. Add cauliflower, carrots, and sweet peppers in a bowl.
- 2. Combine the apple cider vinegar, water, sugar, and salt in a small saucepot. Whisk to combine.
- 3. Bring to a simmer and remove from the heat. Pour the hot liquid over the prepared vegetables and allow to cool naturally before refrigerating.
- 4. Keep in the refrigerator for up to 3 days.
- 1. Heat oil in a sauté pan on medium heat.
- 2. Add onions, stirring occasionally, until onions begin to turn golden brown and are well softened. This may take up to 20 minutes.
- $\ensuremath{\mathsf{3.Season}}$ with salt. Check seasoning and adjust to taste. Keep warm.
- 1. Heat oil in a sauté pan on medium heat.
- 2. Once the oil begins to smoke, add the mushrooms and herbs. Cook until evenly browned. Season with salt and pepper at the end of the cooking process.
- 3. Remove and discard herb sprigs before using.
- 1. Spread 1 ½ heaping teaspoons of softened butter on the outside of each slice of seeded grain bread for each sandwich.
- 2. Place the first slice butter-side down onto a panini press and cover with 3 slices of brie, 1/4 cup caramelized onion and 1/3 cup charred oyster mushrooms.
- 3. Top with the second slice of seeded grain bread, butter-side up, and press for 3 to 4 minutes until golden brown and crispy.
- 4. Enjoy immediately with 1/3 cup of drained sweet, pickled cauliflower jardiniere.

Chef Tips:

- If you do not have a panini press, heat a skillet or grill pan over medium heat and cook the sandwich for 2 to 3 minutes on each side, pressing down firmly with a spatula while cooking.
- To speed up the cooking process of caramelized onions, add the salt at the start of the cooking process, then add a tablespoon of water and cover the sauté pan with a lid for the first 5 minutes of cooking.
- Try orange or green cauliflower instead of white cauliflower in the jardiniere.
- The caramelized onions, charred mushrooms, and cauliflower jardiniere can be made the day before.
- Seeded grain breads may contain sesame. Please read the ingredient list and choose or make a sesame-free bread if necessary.

Allergens: milk, wheat, gluten, soybean and sesame.

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