## **Gulf Coast Charcuterie Board**

#### Meats:

Andouille Sausage with Mambo Tea

Boudin Sausage with Pu-erh Dante Tea

Cajun-Spiced Gravlaks (Cured salmon with Masala Chai Tea)

Cajun-Spiced Shrimp with Mango Mélange Tea

Cured Alligator Sausage with Pu-erh Coffee Tea

Smoked Sausage with Lapsang Souchong Tea

Tasso Ham with Irish Breakfast Tea

#### **Cheeses:**

**Smoked Cheddar** 

Pepper Jack

Creole Cream Cheese

Smoked Gouda

Pimento Cheese

#### **Nuts:**

**Pecans** 

Spiced Almonds

**Boiled Peanuts** 

### Fruits and Vegetables:

Pickled Okra

Pickled Green Beans

**Cherry Tomatoes** 

**Bell Pepper Strips** 

#### Crackers and Breads:

French Bread

Saltine Crackers

Cornbread Muffins

### Dips and Spreads:

Creole Mustard with Mambo Tea

Pimento Cheese with Chamomile Tea

Remoulade Sauce with Green Bean Almondine Tea

#### Jams and Chutneys:

Fig Jam with Earl Grey Tea

Peach Chutney with Peach Oolong Tea

# Andouille Sausage with Mambo Tea

**Prep Time:** 30 minutes **Cook Time:** 7 days (curing time)

5 lbs ground pork 1 T black pepper, coarsely ground

1/2 C kosher salt 1 T garlic powder

1/4 C sugar 1 T paprika

2 T pink curing salt 1 t cayenne pepper

1/4 C Mambo Tea, finely ground 1 t thyme

**Prepare the curing mixture** Combine kosher salt, sugar, pink curing salt, ground Mambo Tea, black pepper, garlic powder, paprika, cayenne pepper, and thyme in a bowl.

Mix with pork Thoroughly mix the curing mixture with the ground pork until well combined.

**Stuff into casings** Stuff the seasoned pork mixture into sausage casings, twisting into 6-inch links.

**Refrigerate and cure**. Place the sausages on a wire rack set over a baking sheet. Refrigerate for 7 days, turning occasionally to ensure even curing.

**Cook and serve**. After curing, grill the sausages until fully cooked. Serve on the charcuterie board.

# Boudin Sausage with Pu-erh Dante Tea

**Prep Time:** 30 minutes **Cook Time:** 7 days (curing time)

2 lbs ground pork 1/4 C Pu-erh Dante Tea, finely ground

1 lb pork liver, finely chopped 1 T black pepper, coarsely ground

1 C cooked rice 1 T garlic powder 1/2 C kosher salt 1 t cayenne pepper

1/4 C sugar 1 t thyme

2 T pink curing salt

**Prepare the curing mixture** Combine kosher salt, sugar, pink curing salt, ground Pu-erh Dante Tea, black pepper, garlic powder, cayenne pepper, and thyme in a bowl.

**Mix with pork and liver** Thoroughly mix the curing mixture with the ground pork, chopped pork liver, and cooked rice until well combined.

**Stuff into casings** Stuff the seasoned mixture into sausage casings, twisting into 6-inch links.

**Refrigerate and cure**. Place the sausages on a wire rack set over a baking sheet. Refrigerate for 7 days, turning occasionally to ensure even curing.

Cook and serve. After curing, cook the sausages as desired. Serve on the charcuterie board.

# Cajun-Spiced Gravlaks with Masala Chai Tea

**Prep Time:** 20 minutes **Cook Time:** 48 hours (curing time)

2 lbs salmon fillet, skin on 1/2 C kosher salt 1/2 C sugar 2 T pink curing salt 1/4 C Masala Chai Tea, finely ground1/4 C fresh dill, chopped1 lemon, zested1 T cayenne pepper

**Prepare the curing mixture** Combine kosher salt, sugar, pink curing salt, ground Masala Chai Tea, fresh dill, lemon zest, and cayenne pepper in a bowl.

**Cure the salmon**. Place a large piece of plastic wrap on a baking sheet. Spread half of the curing mixture on the plastic wrap. Place the salmon fillet on top, skin side down. Cover the salmon with the remaining curing mixture, ensuring it is evenly coated.

**Wrap and refrigerate** Tightly wrap the salmon in the plastic wrap. Place a second baking sheet on top and weigh it down with cans or a heavy skillet. Refrigerate for 48 hours, turning the salmon over after 24 hours.

**Rinse and dry** After 48 hours, unwrap the salmon and rinse off the curing mixture under cold water. Pat the salmon dry with paper towels.

**Slice and serve**. Thinly slice the cured salmon with a sharp knife. Serve on the charcuterie board.

# Cajun-Spiced Shrimp with Mango Mélange Tea

**Prep Time:** 15 minutes **Cook Time:** 10 minutes

1 lb large shrimp, peeled and deveined 1/4 C Mango Mélange Tea, brewed and cooled

cooled 1 t paprika 2 T olive oil Salt and pepper to taste

**Marinate the shrimp** In a bowl, combine brewed Mango Mélange Tea, olive oil, Cajun seasoning, garlic powder, paprika, salt, and pepper. Add the shrimp and toss to coat. Marinate for at least 15 minutes.

**Cook the shrimp** Preheat a grill or skillet over medium-high heat. Cook the shrimp for about 2-3 minutes on each side, until pink and opaque.

1 T Cajun seasoning

1 t garlic powder

**Serve** the shrimp on the charcuterie board.

# Cured Alligator Sausage with Pu-erh Coffee Tea

**Prep Time:** 30 minutes **Cook Time:** 7 days (curing time)

5 lbs ground alligator meat 1 T black pepper, coarsely ground

1/2 C kosher salt 1 T garlic powder

1/4 C sugar 1 T paprika

2 T pink curing salt 1 t cayenne pepper

1/4 C Pu-erh Coffee Tea, finely ground 1 t thyme

**Prepare the curing mixture** Combine kosher salt, sugar, pink curing salt, ground Pu-erh Hazelberry Tea, black pepper, garlic powder, paprika, cayenne pepper, and thyme in a bowl.

**Mix with alligator meat**. Thoroughly mix the curing mixture with the ground alligator meat until well combined.

**Stuff into casings** Stuff the seasoned alligator meat mixture into sausage casings, twisting into 6-inch links.

**Refrigerate and cure**. Place the sausages on a wire rack set over a baking sheet. Refrigerate for 7 days, turning occasionally to ensure even curing.

**Cook and serve**. After curing, cook the sausages as desired. Serve on the charcuterie board.

# Smoked Sausage with Lapsang Souchong Tea

**Prep Time:** 30 minutes **Cook Time:** 7 days (curing time)

5 lbs ground pork 1 T black pepper, coarsely ground

1/2 C kosher salt 1 T garlic powder

1/4 C sugar 1 T paprika

2 T pink curing salt 1 t cayenne pepper

1/4 C Lapsang Souchong Tea, finely 1 t thyme

ground

**Prepare the curing mixture** Combine kosher salt, sugar, pink curing salt, ground Lapsang Souchong Tea, black pepper, garlic powder, paprika, cayenne pepper, and thyme in a bowl.

Mix with pork Thoroughly mix the curing mixture with the ground pork until well combined.

**Stuff into casings** Stuff the seasoned pork mixture into sausage casings, twisting into 6-inch links.

**Refrigerate and cure**. Place the sausages on a wire rack set over a baking sheet. Refrigerate for 7 days, turning occasionally to ensure even curing.

**Cook and serve**. After curing, smoke or grill the sausages until fully cooked. Serve on the charcuterie board.

## Tasso Ham with Irish Breakfast Tea

**Prep Time:** 30 minutes **Cook Time:** 7 days (curing time)

5 lbs pork shoulder, cut into 1-inch-thick 1 T black pepper, coarsely ground

slices 1 T garlic powder

1/2 C kosher salt 1 T paprika

1/4 C brown sugar 1 t cayenne pepper

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2 T pink curing salt 1 t thyme 1/4 C Irish Breakfast Tea, finely ground

**Prepare the curing mixture** Combine kosher salt, brown sugar, pink curing salt, ground Irish Breakfast Tea, black pepper, garlic powder, paprika, cayenne pepper, and thyme in a bowl.

**Cure the pork** Rub the curing mixture evenly over the pork slices, ensuring they are well coated. Place the pork in a large resealable plastic bag, removing as much air as possible.

**Refrigerate and cure** Refrigerate the pork for 7 days, turning it over every day to ensure even curing.

**Cook and serve**. After curing, cook the pork slices as desired. Serve on the charcuterie board.

## Creole Mustard with Mambo Tea

**Prep Time:** 10 minutes 
Cook Time: 0 minutes

1/2 C Dijon mustard 1/4 C Mambo Tea, brewed and cooled

1/4 C whole grain mustard 1 t hot sauce

2 Thoney Salt and pepper to taste

**Prepare the mustard** In a bowl, combine Dijon mustard, whole grain mustard, honey, brewed Mambo Tea, hot sauce, salt, and pepper. Mix until smooth.

**Transfer** to a serving bowl.

# Pimento Cheese with Chamomile Tea

**Prep Time:** 10 minutes 
Cook Time: 0 minutes

8 oz sharp cheddar cheese, grated cooled

4 oz cream cheese, softened 1/4 C pimentos, diced

1/4 C mayonnaise 1 t garlic powder

1/4 C Chamomile Tea, brewed and Salt and pepper to taste

**Prepare the spread** In a bowl, combine sharp cheddar cheese, cream cheese, mayonnaise, brewed Chamomile Tea, pimentos, garlic powder, salt, and pepper. Mix until smooth.

Transfer to a serving bowl.

# Remoulade Sauce

#### with Green Bean Almondine Tea

**Prep Time:** 10 minutes 
Cook Time: 0 minutes

1 C mayonnaise 1 T lemon juice 1/4 C Green Bean Almondine Tea, brewed 1 t hot sauce

and cooled 1 t paprika

2 T Dijon mustard 1 t garlic powder

1 T capers, chopped Salt and pepper to taste

**Prepare the sauce** In a bowl, combine mayonnaise, brewed Green Bean Almondine Tea, Dijon mustard, capers, lemon juice, hot sauce, paprika, garlic powder, salt, and pepper. Mix until smooth.

Transfer to a serving bowl.

# Pickled Okra with Green Rooibos Bonita Tea

**Prep Time:** 20 minutes Additional Time: 24 hours (refrigeration)

Cook Time: 10 minutes

1 ½ lbs fresh okra 1 ½ C white vinegar (5% acidity)

3 cloves garlic, peeled 1 ½ C water

3 t canning salt 1/4 C Green Rooibos Bonita Tea, brewed

3 t dill seed and cooled 3/4 t whole peppercorns

**Prepare the jars** Sterilize three-pint jars and lids according to standard canning procedures.

**Pack the jars** Pack the okra into the jars, tips pointing up. Add 1 garlic clove, 1 t canning salt, 1 t dill seed, and 1/4 t whole peppercorns to each jar.

**Prepare the brine** In a saucepan, combine vinegar, water, and brewed Green Rooibos Bonita Tea. Bring to a boil.

**Fill the jars**. Pour the hot brine over the okra, leaving 1/4-inch headspace. Wipe the rims, place the lids on the jars, and screw on the bands until fingertip tight.

**Process the jars** Process in a boiling water bath for 10 minutes. Remove the jars and let them cool completely.

Refrigerate Let the pickles sit in the refrigerator for at least 24 hours before eating.

# **Pickled Green Beans**

## with Lemongrass-Ginger-Orange Tea

**Prep Time:** 20 minutes **Additional Time:** 24 hours (refrigeration)

Cook Time: 10 minutes

1 t red pepper flakes (optional)

2 lbs fresh green beans, trimmed 2 ½ C white vinegar (5% acidity)

4 cloves garlic, peeled 2 ½ C water

4 t canning salt 1/4 C Lemongrass-Ginger-Orange Tea,

4 t dill seed brewed and cooled

**Prepare the jars** Sterilize four-pint jars and lids according to standard canning procedures.

**Pack the jars** Pack the green beans into the jars, standing upright. Add 1 garlic clove, 1 t canning salt, 1 t dill seed, and 1/4 t red pepper flakes (if using) to each jar.

**Prepare the brine** In a saucepan, combine vinegar, water, and brewed Lemongrass-Ginger-Orange Tea. Bring to a boil.

**Fill the jars**. Pour the hot brine over the green beans, leaving a 1/4-inch headspace. Wipe the rims, place the lids on the jars, and screw on the bands until fingertip tight.

**Process the jars** Process in a boiling water bath for 10 minutes. Remove the jars and let them cool completely.

Refrigerate Let the pickles sit in the refrigerator for at least 24 hours before eating.

# Fig Jam with Earl Grey Moonlight Tea

**Prep Time:** 10 minutes 
Cook Time: 30 minutes

2 C fresh figs, chopped and cooled
1 C sugar 1 T lemon juice

1/4 C Earl Grey Moonlight Tea, brewed

**Prepare the jam** In a pot, combine figs, sugar, brewed Earl Grey Moonlight Tea, and lemon juice. Bring to a boil, then reduce heat and simmer for 30 minutes, stirring occasionally, until thickened.

Jar the jam Pour the hot jam into sterilized jars, seal, and let cool.

# Peach Chutney with Peach Oolong Tea

**Prep Time:** 10 minutes **Cook Time:** 45 minutes

4 ripe peaches, peeled and chopped

1 C sugar

1/2 C white vinegar

1/4 C Peach Oolong Tea, brewed and

cooled

1/4 C golden raisins

1/4 C candied ginger, diced

1 T mustard seeds

1 t ground cumin

1 t ground coriander

1 t chili powder

1/2 t ground cardamom

Salt to taste

**Prepare the chutney** In a large pot, combine peaches, sugar, vinegar, brewed Peach Oolong Tea, raisins, ginger, mustard seeds, cumin, coriander, chili powder, cardamom, and salt. Bring to a boil, then reduce heat and simmer for 45 minutes, stirring occasionally, until thickened.

Jar the chutney Pour the hot chutney into sterilized jars, seal, and let cool.