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Octopus Bacon Tacos

Prep Time: 25 Minutes Serves 12

Ingredients: 24 each 4.5" Heat Pressed Flour Tortillas (28671) 12 oz. Baby Spinach 3/4 cup Hot Sauce Vinaigrette 12 oz. Cherry Tomatoes , halved 24 oz. Octopus Bacon , see related recipe, seared to order 3 oz. Shallots ,peeled,thin,sliced 1 1/2 tsp. Lemon Zest

Directions:

1. To prepare one portion, warm two tortillas on a flattop grill or skillet until slightly toasted. Top each taco with $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. baby spinach, $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. tomatoes, $\frac{1}{4}$ fl. oz. hot sauce vinaigrette, and 1 oz. of freshly seared octopus bacon.

2. Garnish each taco with thin sliced shallots and fresh grated lemon zest as needed.

Hot Sauce Vinaigrette

Prep Time: 5 Minutes Serves 1

Ingredients:

1/4 cup Cayanne Pepper hot sauce, prepared1 tsp. Lemon Zest1 tsp. Fresh Thyme leaves1 tsp. Brown Sugar3/4 cup Extra Virgin Olive OilTo Taste, Kosher Salt

Directions:

1. In a mixing bowl, whisk the first 4 ingredients together while slowly drizzling the extra virgin olive oil.

2. Taste, and season with salt if desired.



Octopus Bacon

Prep Time: 20 Minutes Serves 1

Ingredients: 3/4 cup Kosher Salt 1/2 cup Black Pepper 1 cup Brown Sugar 1/4 cup Garlic Powder 2 Tbsp. Chile Powder 1 1/2 lbs. Octopus tentacles, blanched As needed Lard

Directions:

1. In a mixing bowl, add salt, pepper, sugar, garlic and chili powders together and combine.

2. Generously season octopus and cold smoke for 1 hr.

3. Place smoked octopus in a hotel pan and cover with melted lard until fully submerged. Cook at 275°F for 4 hours. Remove octopus from lard, cut into thin slices and keep refrigerated until use.