

## -SUGGESTIONS FOR PREPARING-INGEBRETSEN'S SCANDINAVIAN SPECIALTIES

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**SWEDISH MEATBALL MIX** is ready to use. Don't add anything. Form into balls and pan fry or bake 15-20 minutes at 350°F. Also makes great meatloaf or burgers!

**CREAM GRAVY FOR MEATBALLS** – Melt 2 tbsp butter in sauce pan. Stir in 2 tbsp flour. Blend well over low heat. Stir in 1 cup milk or cream. Bring to boil stirring constantly. Simmer two minutes adding 2 tbsp sour cream plus salt and pepper to taste.

**SWEDISH POTATO SAUSAGE** – Cover with cool water, let come to simmer, then turn fire low to a slow simmer for 30 minutes. Sausage may be turned over when fire is lowered. Cook uncovered. Can be pricked with fork several times before cooking.

**MEDISTER SAUSAGE** – Same method as with Swede sausage (directions above) except simmer for 40-45 minutes. May be simmered for half of the time then bake at  $350^{\circ}$ F for the remaining time.

**BLOOD SAUSAGE** – Slice and fry in butter until crisp as desired, or heat in milk. May use syrup on it.

**YELLOW PEA SOUP** – Soak one bag whole peas overnight. Rinse and drain. Cover with cold water, add 1 diced onion, simmer until tender ( $2-2\frac{1}{2}$  hours). Add ham bone, smoked hocks, or salt pork for final  $1-1\frac{1}{2}$  hours. Salt to taste.

**INGEBRETSEN'S HOMEMADE PEA SOUP** is ready to use - simply add  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup water for each pound of soup and heat to serve.

**SWEDISH BROWN BEANS** – Wash a 11b. Bag of beans, soak in water overnight. Rinse with cold water and simmer until tender (about 3 hours), adding more hot water if needed. When done add 1 tsp salt,  $1\frac{1}{3}$  cups sugar,  $\frac{1}{4}$  cup plus 1 tbsp vinegar. Serve hot.

**INGEBRETSEN'S SWEDISH BROWN BEANS** – are fully cooked and ready to use. Simply heat to serve.

**FRESH LINGONBERRIES** – Rinse well in cold water, Place 1 pint berries and  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup water in sauce pan, simmer slowly for 14 minutes. Add 1 cup sugar and bring to boil, stirring constantly. Cool and serve.

**FRUIT SOUP** – Using 1 bag of dried fruit, cook slowly for 45-60 minutes in 6 cups water, adding  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup of raisins,  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup sugar, 1 cinnamon stick (optional). Add 2 tbsp sago or tapioca and cook 10 more minutes until thickened.

**OYSTER STEW** – Add 1 part fresh oysters to 2 parts milk; heat, but DO NOT boil. It's done when edges on oysters curl. Season to taste.

**PINNEKJOTT** (Cured Mutton Ribs) – Place ribs in hot oven  $(450^{\circ}F)$ . After 15 minutes pour  $1\frac{1}{2}$  cups boiling water over the ribs. Baste every 10 minutes. If meat seems dry, cover with grease proof paper for last  $\frac{1}{2}$  hour. Roasting time  $1\frac{1}{2}$  to 2 hours. HAM LOAF – TURKEY LOAF – LAMB LOAF – Thaw then bake at  $325^{\circ}F$  – large loaf bakes for  $1\frac{1}{2}$  hours. Bake small loaf for  $1\frac{1}{4}$  hours.

JUL SKINKE (Christmas Ham) – Simmer in water for 4-5 hours. Remove and cover with Swedish mustard and crumb topping and bake at  $450^{\circ}$ F for  $\frac{1}{2}$  hour. Internal temperature should reach  $170^{\circ}$ F.

**TORSK** (Grey Cod) – Place in baking pan. Butter and salt each piece, cover pan with aluminum foil and seal tightly around pan. Bake at  $400^{\circ}$ F for 35-40 minutes, or until flaky. Serve with melted butter or cream sauce.

**COOKED TORSK** – For each quart of water use 2 tbsp salt. Bring to boil enough water to cover fish. (Optional: add 3 peppercorns and 1 bay leaf). Add fish to boiling water and simmer 9-10 minutes. It's done when fish will leave bone or when it separates in flakes. Serve with melted butter or cream sauce. Frozen Torsk will have to boil or bake a little longer.

**LUTEFISK (LUDEFISK)** – Old Fashioned Way – Do NOT use an aluminum kettle or pan. Use 3 level tbsp salt to each quart of water, bring to boil. Add serving sized pieces of fish and return to boil. Remove from heat, skim, and let steep for 5-10 minutes. Serve.

Baking in foil – Heat oven to  $350^{\circ}$  to  $400^{\circ}$ F. Place fish, skin side down, in baking dish and season with salt. Lay foil on fish and bake about 20-35 minutes depending on amount of fish (check occasionally). Drain off excess water. Serve at once.

**HINT** – for firmer fish: before cooking, soak in salted water a few hours, then soak 10 minutes in fresh cold water and rinse. Then cook.

Microwave – Place fish on uncovered microwave dish. Put in oven on high until flaky – approx. 3-5 minutes. CAUTION: Do not overcook or fish will turn mushy. When done, place on warm serving dish. Salt and pepper to taste, cover with melted butter or cream sauce.

**SALT COD** – With Cream Sauce – Soak 1 pound in cold water overnight. Drain and add fresh water. Bring to boil and cook 20 minutes. Make 1 cup white sauce, and add 1 cooked egg, diced. Put fish on plate and cover with sauce. Serve with bacon slices. Serves 3.

**COD CAKES** – Soak and cook as above. Drain and flake fish. Add 1 egg, 2 tbsp Onion, and  $\frac{1}{8}$  tsp pepper to  $1\frac{1}{2}$  cups washed potatoes. Add flaked fish to potato mixture and form into cakes. Fry in butter or bacon fat. Serve with bacon slices. Serves 4.

**CREAM GRAVY** – 2 tbsp drippings or margarine, 2 tbsp flour,  $\frac{1}{2}$  tsp salt, dash of pepper,  $1\frac{3}{4}$  cups milk. Simmer 10 minutes.

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