



So Simple Punch

Ingredients

- 4 (1/8 oz.) packages unsweetened strawberry drink mix
- 2 (46 fluid oz.) cans pineapple juice
- 3 cups white sugar
- 4 quarts water
- 2 liters ginger ale

Directions

In a large punch bowl combine drink mix, pineapple juice, sugar and water. Stir until dissolved. Just before serving, stir in the ginger ale.

Shrimp and Cucumber Canapes

Ingredients

- 1/2 cup ketchup
- · 4 teaspoons Creole seasoning, divided
- 1 tablespoon finely chopped onion
- 1 tablespoon finely chopped green pepper
- 1 tablespoon finely chopped celery
- 1/4 teaspoon hot pepper sauce
- 1 package (8 oz.) cream cheese, softened
- 24 cucumber slices
- 24 peeled and deveined cooked medium shrimp
- · 2 tablespoons minced fresh parsley

Directions

For cocktail sauce, in a bowl, combine the ketchup, 2 teaspoons Creole seasoning, onion, green pepper, celery and pepper sauce. In another bowl, combine cream cheese and the remaining 2 teaspoons Creole seasoning. Spread or pipe cream cheese mixture onto cucumber slices. Top each with cocktail sauce and a shrimp. Sprinkle with minced parsley.



Recipes- for the ROAD

Keep Your Valentine's Day Safe and Sweet! Here are a few heartfelt tips to help you enjoy a safe and secure Valentine's Day:

- Turn off heat sources. Extinguish candles, fires, and ovens when leaving a room or going to bed.
- Avoid oversharing online. Don't post your romantic dinner plans that highlight your home as vacant; burglars might take notice.
- Lock up. Always secure doors and windows, even if you're not posting your whereabouts.
- Keep flammables away from fire. Ensure blankets, clothing, or other items are far from candles and fireplaces.
- **Light it up.** Leave lights on or use timers to make your home appear occupied.
- Secure valuables. Keep purses zipped and in front of you. Men should carry wallets in front pockets to deter pickpockets.
- Stay in safe areas. Opt for well-lit, busy locations if taking a romantic walk to avoid potential danger.



