Heirloom seafood recipes to Treasure
ISSUED BY THE BUREAU OF COMMERCIAL FISHERIES AS A PART OF ITS CONTINUING CONSUMER EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM IN COOPERATION WITH THE COMMERCIAL FISHING INDUSTRY.
The time is 1890...

The windows of a stately, red brick house on Boston's famed Beacon Hill transmit kaleidoscopic patterns from a crystal chandelier outside to the street below; inside, the spirited conversation lulls momentarily as an adroit butler efficiently serves traditional New England haddock. Two thousand miles west, by campfire's light, a wizened Colorado miner methodically turns rainbow trout in an iron skillet, contemplating his evening fare; and, on San Francisco's Nob Hill, tiny dried shrimp are patiently chopped by an aged Chinese cook, as the evening's repast is thoughtfully prepared. By moonlight, a trim Mississippi River packet glides silently past Tom Sawyer country, while inside, a rowdy, conglomerate crowd enjoys Great Lakes whitefish and animatedly discuss their early morning's arrival in St. Louis. Wholesome, nutritious, and richly satisfying—fish and shellfish have played an integral part of America's great expansion.

Today, American regional cookery has become world famous, and fish and shellfish, native to the various areas, are well represented in grandmother's prize collection of selected recipes. Fish and shellfish from lucent lakes, raucous rivers, silent streams, and awesome oceans are now readily available in endless shapes and sizes in markets across the nation.

In this publication, Home Economists of the United States Department of the Interior's Bureau of Commercial Fisheries have developed 16 new recipes that whisper of grandmother's practicality and reflect the rich heritage of America's wonderful ways with fish and shellfish. By utilizing convenience products, these selected recipes are simple, yet satisfying; easy, yet elegant; and different, yet delightful.
SAUCY PORTIONS

6 frozen raw breaded fish portions (2 1/2 or 3 ounces each)
2 tablespoons melted fat or oil
Paprika
1 can (14 1/2 ounces) green asparagus spears

1 can (10 ounces) frozen cream of shrimp soup
1/3 cup milk
1/4 cup grated sharp cheese
1 tablespoon horseradish
Paprika

Place frozen portions on a well-greased cookie sheet, 15 x 12 inches. Drizzle fat over fish. Sprinkle with paprika. Bake in an extremely hot oven, 500° F., for 15 to 20 minutes or until fish is brown and flakes easily when tested with a fork. Heat asparagus; drain. Combine soup and milk and heat until soup is thawed, stirring occasionally. Add cheese and horseradish and blend thoroughly. Arrange asparagus on portions. Pour sauce over asparagus and sprinkle with paprika. Serves 6.

Source: U.S. Bureau of Commercial Fisheries

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and Beacon Hill

From the angle-beamed attic of an old-line family home come recipes like these. Great grandmother might have stored them between the pages of an old sea log or stuffed them inside a desk reportedly used by the young Marquis de Lafayette. No seafood heritage is richer than that of Boston, where stately desks and sturdy chests still contain treasured seafood recipes steeped in a rich New England tradition. Hearty, happy ways with haddock; crafty, cunning ways with cod; super, savory ways with scallops; and simple, seasoned ways with scrod.
DELUXE BAKED SCALLOPS

2 pounds scallops, fresh or frozen
1 quart boiling water
2 tablespoons salt
1 can (10 1/2 ounces) condensed cream of mushroom soup
1/4 cup sour cream
2 tablespoons frozen orange juice concentrate
2 tablespoons chopped parsley
1 tablespoon lemon juice
1 tablespoon grated onion
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/4 cup dry bread crumbs
1 tablespoon melted fat or oil

Thaw frozen scallops. Rinse with cold water to remove any shell particles. Place in boiling salted water. Cover and return to the boiling point. Reduce heat and simmer for 3 to 4 minutes, depending on size. Drain. Cut large scallops in half. Combine all ingredients except crumbs and fat. Place in 6 well-greased, individual shells or 6-ounce custard cups. Combine crumbs and fat; sprinkle over top of scallop mixture. Bake in a moderate oven, 350° F., for 25 to 30 minutes or until lightly browned. Serves 6.

Source: U. S. Bureau of Commercial Fisheries
As stately as the ticking of a mantel clock and as light as a float from a lobster pot, sardines from Maine will add tang-o-the-sea atmosphere and savory "old" New England flavor to any table.

SARDINE PUFF

2 cans (3 3/4 or 4 ounces each) Maine sardines
8 slices buttered day old white bread
1/4 cup chopped green pepper
1/4 cup grated sharp cheese
2 cups milk
3 eggs, lightly beaten
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/4 teaspoon powdered mustard
Dash pepper
Paprika

Drain sardines and cut into thirds. Remove crusts from bread and cut into 1/2-inch cubes. Place half the bread cubes in a well greased baking dish, 12 x 8 x 2 inches. Cover with a layer of sardines, green pepper, and half the cheese. Top with remaining bread cubes and cheese. Combine remaining ingredients except paprika; mix thoroughly. Pour over bread and sprinkle with paprika. Bake in a moderate oven, 350°F, for 40 to 45 minutes or until firm in the center. Remove from oven and let stand 5 minutes.

Serves 6.

Source: U. S. Bureau of Commercial Fisheries
POACHED HADDOCK WITH EGG SAUCE

2 pounds haddock fillets or other fish fillets, fresh or frozen
1 1/4 cups milk
1/4 cup butter or margarine, melted
2 tablespoons flour
3/4 teaspoon powdered mustard
1/4 teaspoon white pepper
2 hard-cooked eggs, chopped
1 tablespoon chopped parsley
Salt
Paprika

Thaw frozen fillets. Skin fillets and cut into serving-size portions. Place fish in a well-greased large skillet. Pour milk over fish. Cover and bring milk just to the boiling point. Reduce heat and simmer for 8 to 10 minutes or until fish flakes easily when tested with a fork. Remove fish to an oven glass or metal serving platter; keep warm. Combine butter, flour, mustard, and pepper. Add to hot milk and cook until thick, stirring constantly. Add egg and parsley. Add salt to taste. Pour sauce over fish and sprinkle with paprika. Serves 6.

Source: U. S. Bureau of Commercial Fisheries

A haddock seafood specialty to delight any would-be seafarer, topped off with hot coffee poured from a silver service made by Paul Revere, a silversmith down by Carpenter's Hall.
“Fish and shellfish reach their flavor peak, from the clear, cold waters of the Chesapeake,” any renowned Tidewater cook will tell you this. No doubt about it, cumbersome crabs make company casseroles; opulent oysters make super soups; and Tidewater terrapins are terrific. Heirloom seafood recipe treasures abound in this historic land of the “Star Spangled Banner.”

**OYSTER FRITTERS**

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Thaw frozen oysters. Drain oysters and spread out on paper towels to remove excess moisture. Sift dry ingredients together. Combine water, fat, and egg yolk. Add gradually to dry ingredients, stirring only until batter is blended. Let stand 1 hour. Fold in egg white. Dip oysters in batter. Fry immediately in deep fat, 375°F, for 3 to 4 minutes or until golden brown. Drain on absorbent paper. Serve with Tartar Sauce. Serves 6.

Source: U.S. Bureau of Commercial Fisheries
The chair, a Chippendale; the duck, a decoy; and the seafood recipes tested, traditional, and tremendous — Chesapeake Bay all the way.

**SUMPTUOUS BROILED FLOUNDER**

- 2 pounds flounder fillets or other fish fillets, fresh or frozen
- 1/4 cup melted fat or oil
- 1 teaspoon salt
- Dash pepper
- 2 cans (4 ounces each) mushroom stems and pieces, drained
- 1 cup grated cheese
- 2 tablespoons chopped parsley

Thaw frozen fillets. Skin fillets and cut into serving-size portions. Combine fat, salt, and pepper; mix thoroughly. Chop mushrooms. Combine mushrooms, cheese, and parsley. Place fish on a well-greased broiler pan and brush with fat. Broil about 3 inches from source of heat for 3 to 4 minutes. Turn carefully and brush with fat. Broil 3 to 4 minutes longer or until fish flakes easily when tested with a fork. Spread mushroom mixture on fish and broil 2 to 3 minutes longer or until lightly browned. Serves 6.

Source: U. S. Bureau of Commercial Fisheries
TANGY CRAB CASSEROLES

2 pounds crab meat, fresh or frozen or
6 cans (6 1/2 ounces each) crab meat
1 cup sour cream
1/2 cup grated Parmesan cheese
1 tablespoon lemon juice
1 tablespoon grated onion
1/2 teaspoon salt
Dash tabasco
1/4 cup soft bread cubes
1 tablespoon melted fat or oil
Paprika

Thaw frozen crab meat or drain canned crab meat. Remove any remaining shell or cartilage from crab meat. Combine sour cream, cheese, lemon juice, onion, salt, and tabasco; mix thoroughly. Pour over crab meat and mix lightly. Place in 6 well-greased, individual shells or 6-ounce custard cups. Combine bread cubes and fat; sprinkle over top of crab mixture. Sprinkle with paprika. Bake in a moderate oven, 350° F., for 25 to 30 minutes or until lightly browned. Serves 6.

Source: U. S. Bureau of Commercial Fisheries

The soft light from the fan window falls on old Charleston treasures. The glass bell of preserved flowers, the “colours” of the Palmetto Guards and faded notes on secretive ways of preparing crab and mullet “Cahlina” style.
MULLET, EGG, AND OLIVE SANDWICH

1 pound mullet fillets or other fish fillets, fresh or frozen
1 quart boiling water
1 tablespoon salt
3 hard-cooked eggs, chopped

3/4 cup chopped olives
3/4 cup mayonnaise or salad dressing
1 tablespoon horseradish
Dash pepper
Salt
12 large slices buttered rye bread
6 lettuce leaves

Thaw frozen fillets. Place fillets in boiling salted water. Cover and return to the boiling point. Reduce heat and simmer for 10 minutes or until fish flakes easily when tested with a fork. Drain. Remove skin and bones; flake. Combine egg, olives, mayonnaise, horseradish, pepper, and fish; mix thoroughly. Add salt to taste. Chill. Spread 6 slices bread with approximately 1/2 cup mullet mixture. Top with lettuce and cover with remaining 6 slices bread. Cut in half.

Serves 6.

Source: U. S. Bureau of Commercial Fisheries
OVEN-FRIED CURRIED SHRIMP

2 pounds shrimp, fresh or frozen
1 egg, beaten
1 tablespoon water
1 cup dry bread crumbs, toasted
2 teaspoons curry powder
1/3 teaspoon salt
Dash pepper
1/4 cup melted fat or oil


HOT MARMALADE SOY DIP

1/3 cup orange marmalade
1/4 cup lemon juice
1/4 cup soy sauce
1 clove garlic, finely chopped
Dash ginger
1 teaspoon cornstarch
1 tablespoon cold water

Combine marmalade, lemon juice, soy sauce, garlic, and ginger; bring to the boiling point. Dissolve cornstarch in water. Add to hot sauce and cook until thickened, stirring constantly. Serve hot.

Source: U. S. Bureau of Commercial Fisheries
Grandmère was French, and her treasured recipes were altered to utilize the wonderful seafoods so popular in New Orleans. Recipes like this could be found in garrets crammed with Eugenie bonnets, Laffitte' swords, and portraits of L'Empereur. Cosmopolitan Creole cooks cautiously blend the flavor of Cajun country with fastidious French flavors to produce seafood dishes which are distinctively New Orleans. In no area of the world have traditional recipes been treated with such imagination and respect. Truly, seafood recipe treasures from the Gulf are admired and handled with the care of priceless Napoleonic antiques.
Those floating palaces, the Mississippi paddle wheelers, were "culinary castles" too. Famous cooks appealed to the tastes of fur-clad trappers and beaver-hatted gamblers with dishes that were the envy of shore-bound wives. Grandmother relished and collected recipes like those on her rare excursions. With these two recipes, today's busy homemaker may sample the ante-bellum flavor from the great variety of fish and shellfish served aboard famous packets like the Robert E. Lee.

### WHITEFISH AMANDINE

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Thaw frozen fillets. Cut into serving-size portions. Sprinkle fish with lemon juice, salt, and pepper. Roll in flour. Fry in hot fat at moderate heat until brown on one side; turn carefully and brown the other side. Cooking time approximately 10 to 12 minutes, depending on thickness of fish. Remove fish to hot platter. Fry almonds until lightly browned. Add parsley. Serve over fish. Serves 6.

Source: U. S. Bureau of Commercial Fisheries
**SPICY RED SNAPPER**

2 pounds red snapper fillets or other fish fillets, fresh or frozen  
1/4 cup steak sauce  
1/4 cup catsup  
1/4 cup melted fat or oil

1 tablespoon vinegar  
1 teaspoon salt  
1/2 teaspoon curry powder

Thaw frozen fillets. Cut into serving-size portions. Combine remaining ingredients and mix thoroughly. Place fish, skin side up, on a well-greased broiler pan and brush with sauce. Broil about 3 inches from source of heat for 4 to 5 minutes. Turn carefully and brush with sauce. Broil 4 to 5 minutes longer, basting occasionally, until fish flakes easily when tested with a fork. Serves 6.

Source: U. S. Bureau of Commercial Fisheries
ALIFORNIA
and San Francisco’s Nob Hill

The feminine touch came “round the Horn” but the masculine appetites came overland. Here is a hearty tuna salad to set before a gold seeker with a Colt on his hip or a descendant with a slide rule in hand.

HEARTY TUNA SALAD

2 cans (6 1/2 or 7 ounces each) tuna
1 package (10 ounces) frozen green peas
1 cup thinly sliced celery
2 jars (3 1/2 ounces each) cocktail onions, drained
3/4 cup mayonnaise or salad dressing

1 tablespoon lemon juice
3/8 teaspoon curry powder
3/8 teaspoon garlic salt
1 teaspoon soy sauce
1 cup chow mein noodles
6 lettuce cups
1/2 cup toasted, blanched, slivered almonds

Drain tuna and break into large pieces. Cook peas according to directions on package; drain. Combine peas, celery, onions, and tuna; chill. Combine mayonnaise, lemon juice, soy sauce, curry powder, and garlic salt; chill. Add noodles to tuna mixture. Add mayonnaise mixture and toss lightly. Serve in lettuce cups. Sprinkle almonds over top. Serves 6.

Source: U. S. Bureau of Commercial Fisheries
BAKED HALIBUT SURPRISE

2 pounds halibut steaks or other fish steaks, fresh or frozen
1/2 cup French dressing
2 tablespoons lemon juice

1/4 teaspoon salt
1 can (3 1/2 ounces) french fried onions
1/4 cup grated Parmesan cheese

Thaw frozen steaks. Cut into serving-size portions. Place fish in a shallow baking dish. Combine dressing, lemon juice, and salt. Pour sauce over fish and let stand for 30 minutes, turning once. Remove fish from sauce and place in a well-greased baking dish, 12 x 8 x 2 inches. Crush onions. Add cheese and mix thoroughly. Sprinkle onion mixture over fish. Bake in a moderate oven, 350°F, for 25 to 30 minutes or until fish flakes easily when tested with a fork. Serves 6.

Source: U. S. Bureau of Commercial Fisheries

Our great Northwest is solid. Solid as an oxbow. Sturdy as a churn. The traditional meals are solid too, made for men who work in the great out-of-doors. Take a tip from the hardy Northwest, and let the hearty flavor of halibut add that protein punch to your table.
From miners huddled over wood fires to the lofty kitchens of the brownstone mansions of the silver lords, Denver has always loved its food with an outdoor elegance. Culture came quickly following the sound of silver coins; and, after the theatre, imported wine glasses clinked over crusty trout. Fresh-caught fish, quickly cooked, and now available everywhere, quick frozen, can bring the same golden goodness to your table that grandmother loved so well.

**ORANGE-RICE STUFFED RAINBOW TROUT**

6 pan-dressed rainbow trout or other small fish, fresh or frozen  
2 teaspoons salt  

Thaw frozen fish. Clean, wash, and dry fish. Sprinkle inside and out with salt. Stuff fish. Place fish in a well-greased baking pan, 14 x 11 x 1 inch. Combine fat and orange juice. Brush fish with fat mixture. Bake in a moderate oven, 350°F, for 25 to 35 minutes or until fish flakes easily when tested with a fork. Baste occasionally with fat mixture. Remove skewers. Serves 6.

**ORANGE-RICE STUFFING**

1 cup chopped celery with leaves  
¼ cup chopped onion  
¼ cup melted fat or oil  
⅔ cup water  
¼ cup orange juice  

2 tablespoons melted fat or oil  
2 tablespoons orange juice  
2 tablespoons lemon juice  
1 tablespoon grated orange rind  
⅔ teaspoon salt  
1 cup precooked rice  
½ cup toasted, blanched, slivered almonds

Cook celery and onion in fat until tender. Add water, juices, orange rind, and salt; bring to a boil. Add rice and stir to moisten. Cover and remove from heat. Let stand 5 minutes. Add almonds and mix thoroughly.

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SALMON CHEESE SOUP


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LEMON FRIED YELLOW PERCH

2 pounds yellow perch fillets or other fish fillets, fresh or frozen
1/4 cup lemon juice
3 eggs, beaten
1 1/2 teaspoons salt
1 cup flour

Thaw frozen fillets. Cut into serving-size portions. Place fish in a shallow baking dish. Pour lemon juice over fish and let stand 10 minutes, turning once. Combine egg and salt. Roll fillets in flour and dip in egg. Fry immediately in hot fat at moderate heat until brown on one side; turn carefully and brown the other side. Cooking time approximately 6 to 8 minutes depending on thickness of fish. Serves 6.

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