#### **TOOLS**

- Meat Grinder with a coarse and fine plate (10mm and 4.5mm)
- Sausage Stuffer with 10mm Stuffing Horn
- Large Mixing Bowl
- Cutting Board
- Sharp Knife
- Smoker, Oven, or Heating Device

### **INGREDIENTS**

- 25 lbs of Meat Trimmings (With about 20% fat content)
- 1 BB Cajun Snack Sticks DIY Bundle
  - 1 Pack BB Cajun Seasoning (13oz)
  - 1 Pack 17mm Mahogany Smoke Stick Collagen Casings (4 strands)
  - 1 Pack Sodium Nitrite Curing Salt (1oz)
  - Optional Add Ins (Hickory Smoke Powder, High-Temp Cheese, Jalapeno Flakes, etc.)

## **INSTRUCTIONS**

- In a large mixing bowl, mix meat (and pork fat if needed) with Bearded Butcher Cajun Seasoning, Sodium Nitrite Curing Salt, and optional Hickory Smoke Powder.
- 2. Once combined, feed the seasoned meat through the meat grinder using the coarse (10mm) plate, then again through the fine (4.5mm) plate.
- 3. Mix in any other optional add-ins at this point (Jalapeno powder/flakes, high-temp cheese, etc.)
- 4. Add cold water until mixture is well lubricated and will make it through the 10mm stuffing horn (up to 50 oz)
- 5. Load the sausage stuffer with the mixture. As you do, try to avoid air pockets as they will result in air pockets in your finished smokies.
- 6. Transfer the casings onto the stuffing horn. Either tie the end or leave 2 inches of casings off the end of the horn so the meat doesn't overflow when you start stuffing the casings with the mixture.
- 7. Slowly stuff the casings with the meat mixture.
- 8. Preheat smoker or oven to 180°F.
- 9. Load smokies onto the smoker or oven racks, do not overlap and try to spread smokies as much as possible to ensure even cooking.
- 10. After 2 hours, increase temp to 200°F.
- 11. If product hasn't reached 155° internal yet, increase temp to 220°F until it does.
- 12. Remove smokies from smoker and spray with water to stop the cooking process.
- 13. Chill overnight or until product reaches 40°F internal temp.
- 14. Cut to length and enjoy!



# Bearded Butchers Cajun Snack Sticks

Making your own Bearded Butchers Cajun Snack Sticks has never been easier! Follow these simple steps and, when paired with your favorite protein and a good heating device, you will have a delicious product that will wow all of the lucky people you share them with...assuming that you'll share of course:)

#### **Notes**

- The longer the meat mixture sits, the harder it is to crank though a stuffer. Add water before stuffing if the mixture is getting tight.
- Crank the stuffer backwards one turn in between reloading the casings so the pressure is off the meat mixture and it won't overflow the stuffing horn.
- If you are using previously ground meat, mix seasonings in well before adding in any extras (cheese, jalapenos, etc.)
- During the cooking process, spot check the internal temp and rotate the meat if it isn't heating evenly.
  - Smokers sometimes are hotter near the chimney and will result in unbalanced heating.
- Vacuum seal and freeze any snack sticks that won't be consumed within a few days.



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