

SUMMER SEAFOOD STEW

RECIPE

What you will need:

- 6-8 ounces crumbled shorizo
- 2 cups finely diced fennel (one large bulb)
- 1 cup finely diced onion (half a large onion)
- 4 garlic cloves, smashed and roughly diced
- 2 T tomato paste
- 1 C Morgenster Nu Sauvignon Blanc 2015
- 4 Cups Chicken Stock (or a good fish stock)
- 1 tsp fish sauce (leave out if using fish stock)
- 2 medium tomatoes- diced
- 8 oz firm fish like halibut, talapia, mahi mahi, or salmon
- 1 lb mussels (frozen are OK, but get fresh if you can)
- 1 lb large prawns, raw, peeled and de-veined
- cracked pepper
- ½ C chopped flat leaf parsley
- 1 lemon
- salt if necessary
- 2 T Morgenster Extra Virgin Olive Oil
- Crusty Bread or 1 Cup of Cannellini Beans



How to prepare:

- 1. In a large heavy bottom deep skillet or Dutch oven, brown 6-8 ounces chorizo in a little olive oil. (Remove from casing and break up or crumble into small bite size pieces). Once browned, set aside. Pour off the fat, wipe out skillet with paper towel.
- 2. In same skillet, heat 2 T olive oil on med high heat. Add fennel, stirring often for about 3 minutes. Add onion, turn heat down to med and saute both until tender, about 8-10 minutes. Add garlic, sauté 3 minutes, stirring occasionally, until garlic starts turn golden. Add tomato paste. Turn heat up to high, constantly stirring, until paste darkens, about 3 more minutes. You are basically frying the paste to deepen the flavor of the dish.
- 3. Add white wine and turn heat down to medium high, stirring until it mostly evaporates, about 1-2 minutes. Add chicken stock, tomatoes, browned chorizo, and fish sauce and bring to a simmer. Once simmering, taste for salt. Surprisingly, I didn't need to add any salt (salt content in stocks and chorizo can vary greatly so make sure to taste. Add cracked pepper. Add fish, simmer a couple minutes and add prawns, simmer a couple minutes, then add mussels. Remember the larger the prawns or mussels or fish pieces the longer they take to cook, so look at all your seafood ingredients and determine which will take the longest to cook, putting them in first.
- 4. Finish with a squeeze of a half a lemon and sprinkle generously with flat leaf parsley.
- 5. Serve with crusty bread. I like to cut a loaf of good quality garlic or rosemary bread into thick slices, arrange on a baking sheet, drizzle with olive oil and fresh rosemary sprigs, and bake in a 400F oven until toasty, or even better, grill the bread.
- 6. If you are going gluten free, try adding a cup of cooked cannellini beans to the stew for added heartiness, instead of serving with bread.