

# Mini Empanadas with a Trio of Dipping Sauces

Prep time: 30 Cook Time: 45 Servings: 12

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## **Ingredients**

INGREDIENT	CODE	PREP	QUANTITY
8" Pressed Mazina Tortillas	08043	cut into (3) 4" rounds using ring cutter	12 Each
Mezcal and Lime Chicken			2 1/4 cup
Chihuahua cheese, shredded			3/4 cup
Aji Amarillo sauce			3 cup
Chimichurri Sauce			3 cup
Salsa rosado			3 cup
egg white		beaten	1/4 cup

#### **Instructions**

- 1. Using a 4" round pastry cutter, cut each Mazina® Tortilla into 3 rounds.
- 2. To create one empanada place 1 tbsp. of Mezcal and Lime Chicken and 1 tsp. cheese in the center of a mini round tortilla. Brush the inside edges of the tortilla with egg white and press into a half moon shape. Crimp to keep shape if needed.
- 3. Deep fry at 350°F for approx. 2 min. until golden and reads an internal temperature of 165°F.
- 4. Serve 3 per order with a ¼ cup ramekin of each sauce on the side for dipping.



#### **Mezcal and Lime Chicken**

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INGREDIENT	CODE	PREP	QUANTITY
Chicken thighs		boneless, skinless	3 Lbs.
Tajín (or similar chili lime seasoning)			1 Tbsp.
Ground cumin seed			2 tsp.
Ground coriander			2 tsp.
Canola Oil			1/4 cup
White onion, sliced			3/4 cup
Garlic cloves		crushed	9 Each
Mezcal			1 1/2 cup
orange zest		from 2 oranges	
lime zest		from 6 limes	
Lime juice			3/4 cup
Chicken stock			3 cup
Water			3 cup

## **Instructions**

- 1. Season chicken thighs with Tajín chili lime seasoning, ground cumin and ground coriander.
- 2. In a large stock pot over high heat, add the canola oil and sear the chicken. Approx. 30 seconds per side, just until slight caramelization starts to form.
- 3. Add onions and cook until tender (approx. 2 min) and then add garlic cloves and deglaze with Mezcal.
- 4. Add remaining ingredients, cover with foil and finish in an oven at 325°F until chicken is fully cooked and pull-apart tender (approx. 30-45 min.).
- 5. Remove chicken thighs from the cooking liquid and let cool slightly to the touch and shred.
- 6. Reserve refrigerated until use.