

## Meatballs with Whipped Ricotta Cheese Blend

Yield: 80 each

### **INGREDIENTS**

Ricotta cheese Philadelphia <sup>®</sup> Whipped Cream Cheese
fresh basil, chopped
kosher salt
Heinz <sup>®</sup> Honeyracha
1 oz. precooked meatballs
Escalon <sup>®</sup> Allegro Classic Italian Pizza Sauce
#10 can Escalon <sup>®</sup> Christina's Diced Tomatoes
balsamic glaze

### DIRECTIONS

- 1. Whisk together the ricotta, cream cheese, basil, salt and Honeyracha. Hold for service.
- 2. Preheat oven to 350 F.
- 3. Place the meatballs into hotel pans and baked until heated through about 25 minutes. Drain off any excess grease.
- 4. Mix the pizza sauce and diced tomatoes. Add the sauce to the meatballs and mix through.
- 5. Return the pan to the oven and cook for 20 minutes or until the sauce is hot.
- 6. Top serve, place a tablespoon dollop of the cheese mixture onto a plate. Top with a sauced meatball and then a small squeeze of balsamic glaze.

# Sausage Stuffed Cherry Peppers

#### Yield: 65 each

#### **INGREDIENTS**

1½ lbs.	bulk Italian sausage
<sup>3</sup> ⁄ <sub>4</sub> C.	breadcrumbs
1 tbsp.	Italian seasoning
⅓ C.	cold water
65 each	pickled cherry peppers, drained
3 c.	Escalon <sup>®</sup> Allegro Tuscan Tomato and Herb Sauce
65 each	baguette slices ( $\approx 24$ " baguette)
3 tbsp.	grated parmesan cheese
1½ tbsp.	chopped parsley

#### DIRECTIONS

- 1. Preheat oven to 350°F.
- 2. Mix the sausage, breadcrumbs, Italian seasoning, and water.
- 3. Stuff each pepper with ½ ounce of the sausage mixture and place into a prepared baking pan.
- 4. Roast the stuffed peppers for 15 minutes. Top with the sauce and continue baking for an additional 5-8 minutes or until sauce is heated through.
- 5. To serve, top each baguette slice with a sauced stuffed pepper. Garnish with the grated parmesan and chopped parsley.

# Sicilian Style Pizza Sauce

Yield: 41/2 Quarts (36 cups)

#### **INGREDIENTS**

1 each #10 can Escalon® Bontá Pizza Sauce #10 can Escalon® 6 in 1 Tomatoes 1 each 1 can water ¼ c. Italian seasoning 2 tbsp. garlic powder 2 tbsp. onion powder 2 tbsp. parsley 1 tbsp. ground fennel seed 1 tbsp. crushed red pepper 2 tbsp. kosher salt

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1. Whisk all ingredients until well blended.

DIRECTIONS