

Chef at home

WITH RENE TOST



For the last couple of years, I've tried new recipes for Christmas dinner. After having a turkey one year that refused to cook and

hard Brussels sprouts another year, I have decided I shouldn't mess with tradition. I'm going back to my old, reliable favourites and I know my family will be pleased.

By now, I'm sure most of you have your Christmas dinner planned, so I thought an additional appetizer recipe for entertaining during the holidays would be appropriate. I have made this stuffed mushroom recipe for years. It's always popular. You can make it ahead of time and keep refrigerated; then just bake and serve.

Wishing you all a very happy Holiday Season. Enjoy!

Stuffed Mushrooms

- 18 large mushrooms
- 1 small can of shrimp
- 1 small onion, chopped
- salt, pepper and cream
- 2 tbsp. butter
- grated Parmesan cheese

Remove stems and chop. Clean mushrooms. Sauté onion in butter and stir in chopped mushroom stems. Chop shrimp and blend in with salt, pepper and enough cream to bind everything together. Spoon filling into mushroom caps and sprinkle with cheese. Bake in preheated 375* F. oven for 15 minutes or until piping hot. (You can also substitute lobster, crabmeat or smoked oysters for the shrimp.)

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CHRISTMAS TREE COLLECTION

Urban Areas of Halton Hills
There's one last thing to unwrap.

January 2005

Before you place your tree at the curb, make sure it is ready to be recycled.

Please remove decorations, bags and wires, and place your tree at the curb before 7:00 a.m. of your collection day (same day as your blue box collection).

Please ensure Christmas trees are not frozen or buried in snow banks on your scheduled collection day.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 <small>New Years</small>
3	4	5 A	6	7	8
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Look for your Curb Appeal 2005 Waste Management Calendar to be delivered to your mailbox mid-January 2005



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Holiday Waste Collection

No Change to Your Collection Day over the Christmas and New Year's Holidays

Halton Waste Management Site will be Closed on Christmas Day, Saturday, December 25, 2004 and New Year's Day, Saturday, January 1, 2005

Please Note:

Garbage and Blue Box Collection will be picked up on your regular collection day. Collection times may vary due to the holidays and poor weather conditions, therefore, please place your waste at the curb by 7:00 a.m. on your scheduled collection day.

Please refer to your 2004 Curb Appeal Waste Management Calendar for further details or visit our website at www.region.halton.on.ca

Winter Tips for Setting Out Your Waste

- Place ALL items at the curb by 7:00 a.m. on your collection day, but not before 5:00 p.m. the evening before.
- In one Blue Box, place loose glass bottles and jars, metal food and beverage containers, aluminum foil, Styrofoam, plastic bottles and polycoat.
- In a second Blue Box flatten and place corrugated cardboard, fine paper, boxboard and newspapers.
- Tie cardboard in bundles no larger than 30"x30"x8".
- To save space, crush pop cans, large plastic bottles and beverage cartons, and fill boxboard boxes with other boxboard items.
- On windy days, place your Blue Boxes out for collection on the morning of collection day by 7:00 a.m. instead of the night before.
- Stack your Blue Boxes on top of one another and place heavier items on top to prevent papers from blowing away.
- Place garbage bags/containers on one side of the driveway and Blue Boxes on the other side of the driveway.
- Keep waste items clear of snow and visible to collect. Do not place items on top of snow banks.



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