Sonora Style Smoked Fish Tacos – Tacos de pescado ahumado estilo Sonora

Ingredients (For four double-tortilla tacos)

8 corn tortillas

For the filling:

½ lb (250 g) hot-smoked marlin, tuna or salmon (fully cooked); broken into small pieces

½ onion; peeled and finely chopped

1 tsp oil

First, prepare all the toppings and condiments:

Coleslaw

2 cups cabbage; separated leaves, washed and shredded

½ cup wine vinegar

1 cup carrots; washed, peeled and shredded

1/3 cup mayonnaise
Salt and pepper, to taste

Mix cabbage and vinegar in a glass or ceramic bowl; let rest for twenty to thirty minutes. Add the rest of the ingredients, mixing to incorporate. Keep refrigerated until serving time.

Pickled Red Onions

½ red onion; peeled and sliced thinly

½ tsp salt

½ cup white wine vinegar ¼ tsp dry oregano; crumbled

Place onions in a glass or ceramic bowl; sprinkle with the salt, mixing to rub onto onions. Add vinegar and oregano; mix, cover, and let rest in the fridge, preferably overnight, but at least for a couple of hours. Reserve until serving time.

Pico de Gallo Salsa

2 cups tomatoes; washed, stem end removed and chopped finely

1 cup onions; peeled and finely chopped ½ cup cilantro; washed and finely chopped

2-3 green peppers, to taste, such as serrano or jalapeño; optional

1 tbsp lime juice; preferably freshly squeezed

Salt, to taste

Mix all ingredients thoroughly; cover and keep refrigerated until serving time.

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Jalapeños and onions

4 large jalapeño peppers; washed ½ onion; peeled and thinly sliced

1 lime; juice only

Salt, to taste

Roast jalapeños on the grill, or in a toaster oven; remove skin and stem; slice in half lengthwise; remove seeds and slice into strips. Mix pepper strips with the rest of the ingredients, reserve until serving time.

Process all the ingredients in the blender until smooth. Cover and reserve until serving time.

Arrange all the condiments and toppings at the table:



Creamy Avocado Sauce

1 avocado; peeled, pit removed

1/4 onion; peeled

½ cup water

Salt, to taste

One Thousand Islands Sauce: mix equal parts of mayonnaise and ketchup. Reserve until serving time.

Tartar Style Sauce (egg-less): mix ½ cup mayonnaise, 1 tbsp cucumber relish and 1 tsp yellow mustard. Reserve until serving time.

Salsas, such as cooked green, red with tomatoes, etc. (homemade, or bottled); **bottled sauces** (such as ketchup, Cholula™, etc.); **mayonnaise**; **lime wedges.**

Warm up tortillas as directed in the package. Wrap in a clean kitchen towel and set aside.

Right before serving, heat up oil in a frying pan over medium heat; add onions and sauté until translucent. Add fish; stir and continue cooking, mixing onions and fish, and breaking up any large pieces of fish, until fish is thoroughly heated through.

To plate: Overlap two warm corn tortillas on each plate, and top with a generous portion of fish (photo below, left). Each person may add toppings and condiments, to dress their own taco (right):



