

## IT'S WHAT'S FOR DINNER.

Beef: It's What's On the Grill

# Steps to a Delicious and Healthy Barbecue Season

As Americans reignite their passion for grilled burgers and steaks with the start of barbecue season, now is the time to brush up on the steps to delicious and healthy grilling.

Outdoor grilling is a favorite spring and summer pastime that brings together family and friends to make new memories while enjoying delicious food. From flavorful beef kabobs and T-bone steak to farmfresh fruits and vegetables--everything tastes better on the grill.

"Grilling is a lowfat and healthy way to cook picnic staples like juicy top sirloin steak," Dave Zino, Executive Director of the Culinary Center for the National Cattlemen's Beef Association, said. "The most important thing is to avoid charring or burning the food you grill."

Whatever the occasion, as you and yours gather 'round the grill this season, keep these simple tips in mind to get the most out of your

next grilling experience: Opt for lean, welltrimmed cuts of meat and poultry to prevent fire flare-ups and excess smoke formation.

·Trim any remaining visible fat, and choose lean cuts of meat, such as one of the 29 beef cuts that meet government guidelines for "lean."

·Traditional favorites like flank steak, tenderloin, 95 percent lean ground beef burgers and T-bone steak are all lean cuts, meaning they have

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# Experiment with a bold take on brisket

Devoted grillmasters will fire up their grills regardless of the season, which affords them a year's worth of time to experiment with different dishes. Those who want to take a unique approach to brisket may want to try their hand at the following recipe for "Coffee BBQ Brisket" from Andrew Schloss' "Cooking Slow" (Chronicle Books).

#### Coffee BBQ Brisket Makes 8 to 10 servings For the rub:

3 tablespoons unsweetened cocoa powder 1 tablespoon ancho

chili powder
1 tablespoon coarse

sea salt
1 tablespoon dark

brown sugar
1 teaspoon ground cin-

1 teaspoon chipotle chili powder

1/2 teaspoon ground

aniseed 1/2 teaspoon garlic powder

1/2 teaspoon onion powder



1/2 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper

1 teaspoon dried oregano, preferably Mexican Pinch of dried cloves

#### For the mop:

2 cups brewed coffee 1/4 cup molasses

2 tablespoons balsamic vinegar

2 teaspoons coarse sea salt

Juice of 2 lemons

1 flat or center-cut beef brisket, 4 to 5 pounds, trimmed, with 1/4 inch of fat on one side

Vegetable oil for rubbing

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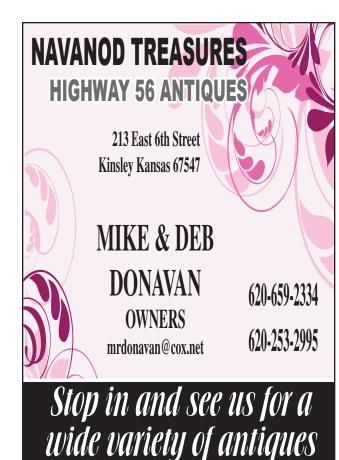
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For the sauce:
1 cup brewed coffee
1 cup ketchup

1/3 cup honey 2 tablespoons apple cider vinegar

1/4 cup dark mustard

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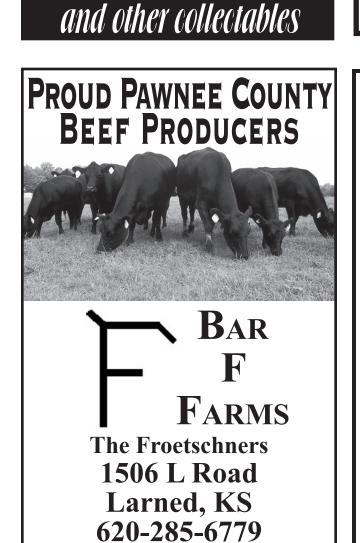
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