## SWEET MEETS SPICY

### Fresh ideas for a fun fiesta menu

#### Blended Watermelon Margarita
**Makes:** 2 margaritas

- 2 cups seedless watermelon, cubed and frozen
- 1/2 cup water
- 1 ounce tequila
- 2 ounces lime juice
- 1/2 ounce watermelon simple syrup

**Margarita:**
Combine tequila, watermelon juice, lime juice and simple syrup in cocktail shaker with ice. Shake until thoroughly chilled, about 30 seconds, and pour into prepared glasses. Garnish with lime wedges.

#### Watermelon Margarita on the Rocks
**Makes:** 2 margaritas

- 1 cup sugar
- 2 cups seedless watermelon, cubed
- 1/2 cup water

**Watermelon Margarita:**
Combine lime wedges and ice in blender; blend until smooth then pour through fine mesh sieve set over bowl or jar, pressing watermelon to extract all liquid. Set aside.

**Watermelon juice:**
In blender, combine watermelon and sugar. Blend until smooth then pour through fine mesh sieve set over bowl or jar, pressing watermelon to extract all liquid.

**Watermelon simple syrup:**
To make watermelon simple syrup: In small saucepan over medium heat, combine watermelon sugar. Use potato masher to move watermelon sugar together, pushing out liquid and dissolving sugar. Simmer 5 minutes, stirring frequently. Pour mixture through fine mesh sieve set over bowl or jar, pressing watermelon to extract all liquid. Set aside.

**Margarita:**
Combine lime wedges and ice in blender; blend until smooth then pour through fine mesh sieve set over bowl or jar. To assemble margaritas: use lime wedge to line rims of two glasses with juice. Dip glasses in coarse salt and carefully fill glasses with ice. Combine watermelon juice, lime juice and simple syrup in cocktail shaker with ice. Shake until thoroughly chilled, about 30 seconds, and pour into prepared glasses. Garnish with lime wedge.

#### Nachos with Watermelon Avocado Salsa
**Makes:** 8 servings

- 1 avocado, peeled, seeded and diced
- 1/2 cup finely chopped cilantro
- 2 tablespoons lime juice
- 1/3 cup fat-free sour cream
- 1/2 cup grated cheddar cheese
- 16 ounces fat-free refried beans
- 11 ounces corn tortilla chips
- 1 1/2 cups diced watermelon
- 2 tablespoons finely diced jalapeño peppers
- 1/4 cup chopped cilantro
- Grilled watermelon (recipe below)

**Fire and Ice Salsa**
**Makes:** 3 cups

- 1 cup diced watermelon
- 1/2 cup finely chopped cilantro
- 2 tablespoons lime juice
- 1/3 cup finely diced jalapeño peppers

**Fire and Ice Salsa:**
Combine ingredients; mix well and cover. Refrigerate at least 1 hour before serving.

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