



Governor's Buy Local Cookout 2018

Invitation to Submit an Original Recipe

You are invited to submit an original recipe for Governor Larry Hogan's Buy Local Cookout, to be held at Government House in Annapolis in mid-July as part of the [Buy Local Challenge Week](#) (July 21-29, 2018) activities.

We are soliciting recipes that showcase simple but creative ways to use Maryland-grown or Maryland-raised products in delicious, nutritious meals that can be replicated by busy Maryland families.

Submissions must be made by teams that include one chef and at least one Maryland farmer, producer or watermen. If selected, your team will be invited to provide, prepare, and share the dish at the Governor's cookout. The recipe and biographies of your team members may be published in the Maryland Department of Agriculture's *2018 Buy Local Cookout Recipes* as well as other department publications and releases.

Culinary high school and culinary college teams are encouraged to submit recipes. One culinary high school team and one culinary college team may be eligible to receive a donation of blue catfish to be used at the Cookout if their blue catfish recipe is chosen for the Cookout.

Original recipes that showcase simple but creative ways to use Maryland-grown products will be chosen in each of the following categories:

- ° Appetizer
- ° Main dish
- ° Side dish or salad
- ° Dessert

Original recipes will be selected based on simplicity, creativity, availability of ingredients, geographic representation, and maximum use of local ingredients. *Previously submitted recipes are not eligible.*

Please submit original recipes online via the [2018 Governor's Buy Local Cookout Entry Form](#)

Or, contact Karen Fedor at karen.fedor@maryland.gov for a paper copy (please note that this process will take longer).

***ENTRIES ARE DUE BY
May 18, 2018***

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Recipe Invitation

OFFICIAL RULES

1. This invitation is open to Maryland chefs working with products from at least one Maryland farm, waterman or other producer. While products from on-site gardens in recipes are okay, we strongly encourage you to work with a Maryland farmer, waterman or other producer.
2. **ENTRIES ARE DUE BY 5 p.m. on Friday, MAY 19. Submit your original recipe online via the 2018 Governor's Buy Local Cookout Entry Form**
3. This recipe will be considered for publication in the Maryland Department of Agriculture's *2018 Buy Local Cookout Recipe* cookbook.
4. All recipes become the property of the Maryland Department of Agriculture and may be published with credit to the author. Entry constitutes permission to edit, modify, adapt, publish or otherwise use recipe with credit but without compensation. Recipes must be original.
5. Recipe selection is made by a Government House committee based on simplicity, creativity, availability of ingredients, geographic representation, and maximum use of local Maryland ingredients. **Preference will be given to recipes with high creativity and low difficulty.**
6. Those selected to participate are responsible for the following:
 - a. All recipe ingredients, preparation, cooking utensils, equipment and staff;
 - b. Transportation to Annapolis to prepare the recipe at the Cookout.
7. Government House will provide table coverings, 6 ½" plates, bowls, spoons, napkins, and forks. Table coverings will be one of the state colors of red, gold or black.
8. Participants will be limited to 2 hours for set-up, preparation and cooking of recipe on site.
9. **NO electricity, warming, chilling, or preparation facilities** will be available to those who are selected to present their recipe at Government House. NO BBQ pits are allowed. Propane and charcoal grills are allowed. If using charcoal, you will be responsible for removing and disposing of your charcoal ash.

10. Teams should submit recipes in portions appropriate for 4-8 people but be prepared to provide the dish in moderate sample/tasting sized portions for at least **400 attendees**.
11. Teams must bring a clean, **WHITE ONLY** 10' x 10' "pop-up" or "ez-up" tent. Two 6' tables will be provided per participant for serving and prepping. **RENTAL TENTS AVAILABLE:** Absolute Rental has 10'x10' "pop-up" tents available for rent, though, inventory is limited. Absolute Rental will arrange for set-up and breakdown of tent. Tents need to be reserved by Friday, June 22.
12. **ALL signage will be provided.** Participants may **not** bring any banners, pop-ups or other signage.
13. Those invited to prepare and serve a dish will be subject to a Maryland State Police (MSP) background check. Coolers, grills and other supplies will be inspected by MSP upon arrival.
14. The cookout will be held from during the evening in July 19. Tents only may be erected on Government House Grounds between 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. All other set up must be done starting at 3:30 p.m. and must be completed by 6 p.m. You will be assigned a table upon entrance to the Government House grounds.
15. Thank you for submitting!

Please submit recipes by May 18, 2018 to

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