



Who knows when, or why, or how it all came about, but men historically have taken the lead when it comes to grilling. That being the case, the sport of grilling has come to be dominated by images of chest-pounding, fire-breathing, testosterone-marinated men out minding the fire while the women stay a safe distance away.

If you are just getting going, there are some basic things you should know as you set off down the road to grilling greatness. We will start with the very basics.

> The most popular types of grills are gas grills or charcoal grills. The workings of a charcoal grill are pretty straightforward: a charcoal grate to lay

One Touch Silver Kettle Charcoal Grill Vendor: Weber Item #749-440 the coals on, and above that, a cooking grate. The distribution of the coals on the charcoal grate determines the intensity of the fire.

Gas grills are a little more complicated. It's been from experience that people don't really know what to look for when shopping for a gas grill men included.

TRU Infrared Gas Grill Vendor: Charbroil

Item #166-793 You will see them lifting up the lid and peeking inside, not really knowing what to look for. It's

kind of like looking under the hood of a

car and testing the doors for a good thud.

St. Patty Melt with Kwik Kraut

INGREDIENTS

- 1 clove garlic minced 1 tablespoon olive oil 1 tablespoon salt
- 1 cup apple cider vinegar
- 1 cup apple juice
- Sugar to taste
- 1/4 cup water
- 1/2 head of green cabbage, cored
- and thinly sliced
- 1/2 sweet onion, thinly sliced
- 1 uncooked corned beef brisket (preferably the point cut*), approximately 3 pounds
- and triple ground
- 16 slices rye bread
- 8 slices Swiss cheese
- Course ground mustard
- Kwik Kraut (recipe on page 2)

PREPARATION

1. Form ground corned beef into eight even sized patties. Heat grill to high and cook burgers for approximately 5 minutes per side until medium (160 degrees internal temperature). Meanwhile, place bread slices on the grill, turning occasionally until lightly toasted, 2-3 minutes per side, and remove. Top each burger with kwik kraut and a slice of Swiss, cover grill and cook an additional 1-2 minutes until cheese has begun to melt. Spread mustard on each slice of rye according to personal preference, sandwich burger between two slices and serve. * Available in many grocers' meat department labeled as "point cut" or "thick cut"

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Once you've purchased the grill there are a few other things you'll want to have on hand. All you really need: The Three T's. The three most important items to have in your grilling toolbox are a good pair of long-handled tongs, an instant-read digital thermometer, and a timer. The tongs will allow you to keep your hands a safe distance from the heat of the grill when placing, turning, or removing food from the grill. The thermometer and the timer will take the guess work out of when your grilled food is cooked to perfection and will keep you from crossing that line from done to overdone.

The art of grilling has never been safer; here is what we recommend to keep it safe.



- ✓ Follow the instructions in your owner's manual on safely lighting and operating your grill.
- ✓ Keep your grill at least 10 feet from any combustible materials, including your house, garage, deck railing, etc.
- ✓ Never use a grill indoors (that includes your garage) or under a covered patio.
- ✓ Never add lighter fluid to a lit fire -Bad, bad idea.
- ✓ Never use a grill that wobbles, leans, or is in any way unstable.
- ✓ Do not store a propane tank in an enclosed space including your house, garage, or shed.

- ✓ Keep sleeves and garments out of the line of fire.
- ✓ Keep a fire extinguisher close by in case of a mishap. Never pour water on a grease fire. Instead, cover a charcoal grill and close all vents; turn off gas grills at the source ● Keep children and pets a safe distance away from a hot grill.
- ✓ When you're finished using your charcoal grill, close the lid and all the vents.
- ✓ After using your gas grill, turn off the burners and then turn off the gas supply at the source.



- ✓ Remove the lid and open all air vents before building the fire.
- ✓ Mound the briquettes into a pyramidshaped pile or pile the charcoal into a chimney starter.
- ✓ Place either lighter cubes (they are non-toxic, odorless, and tasteless) or crumbled newspaper under the pile of briquettes and light.
- ✓ When coals are covered with a light grey ash (usually 25 to 30 minutes), arrange the coals with long-handled tongs according to the cooking method you are going to use.



✓ Open the lid. Check that all burner control knobs are turned to off and that your fuel tank is not empty.

Kwik Kraut

PREPARATION

Heat a sauté pan over medium-high heat. Add olive oil, garlic and onions and sauté until soft. Add cabbage and stir to combine. Pour in apple juice, water and vinegar and reduce heat to medium. Cook mixture, stirring occasionally for approximately 10-15 minutes until cabbage has become tender and most of the liquid has evaporated. Drain sauerkraut in a colander, squeezing out any excess moisture and add sugar to taste if too bitter. Refrigerate sauerkraut until ready to use.

Source: Recipe by Clint Cantwell - Kingsford Charcoal

- \checkmark Turn the gas supply on at the source.
- ✓ Light the grill according to the manufacturer's directions, using either the igniter switch or a match, if necessary. Generally, when lighting a gas grill, only one burner should be turned on for ignition. Once the fire has begun, other burners can be turned on.
- ✓ Close the lid and preheat the grill until the thermometer reaches 500°F to 550°F. This will take 10 to 15 minutes. To cook, adjust burner controls as the recipe directs.

Last but not least follow these tips and you won't go wrong. And neither will your dinner.

- *Read the recipe and look for the instructions for setting up your grill.* If you are using a recipe you found in a magazine or cookbook that doesn't give this information, remember the 25 minute rule-ofthumb of warming up your grill
- 2 Don't rush it. Let charcoal burn until it has a light grey-ash coating (keep the vents open so the fire doesn't go out). Make sure your gas grill has reached a temperature of at least 500°F before starting to cook.
- **3** *Resist the urge to open the lid* to check on your dinner every couple of minutes. Every time you lift the lid heat escapes, which means it will take longer to get dinner on the table.
- Unless the recipe calls for it, only *flip your food once and resist the urge to use your spatula* to press down on foods such as burgers. You'll squeeze out all the flavor.
- **5** *Moisturize.* A light coating of oil will help brown your food evenly and keep it from sticking to the cooking grate. Always brush or spray oil on your food, not the

cooking grate.

Source: Weber's Girls' Guide to Grilling





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