

# ULTIMATE BLT BURGERS WITH HERBY AIOLI

plus Potato Wedges & Caesar-Dressed Greens with Toasty Almonds

**CRAFT BURGER** 



timeless topping trio: crispy bacon, refreshing lettuce, and juicy tomato.



PREP: 10 MIN COOK: 40 MIN CALORIES: 1640

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## **HOT TIP**

Cooking your patties with bacon fat in step 5 will add a bit of salt, a touch of smoke, and lots of mouthwatering flavor. If you still have some of that liquid gold reserved, use it to toast your burger buns!

## **BUST OUT**

- 2 Medium bowls
- Zester
- Baking sheet
- Large pan
- Small bowl
- Paper towels
- 2 Large bowls
- Kosher salt
- Black pepper
- Olive oil (1 TBSP | 1 TBSP)
- Vegetable oil (1 tsp | 1 tsp)

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 Bacon is fully cooked when internal temperature reaches 145°.
Ground Beef is fully cooked when internal temperature reaches 160°.



# **1 PREP & SEASON TOMATO**

- Adjust rack to top position and preheat oven to 425 degrees. **Wash and dry all produce.**
- Cut potatoes into ½-inch-thick wedges. Mince or grate garlic. Mince chives; place in a medium bowl. Zest and quarter lemon.
- Slice **tomato** into rounds; place in a separate medium bowl with a drizzle of **olive oil, salt**, and **pepper**.



#### **2 ROAST POTATOES**

- Toss **potatoes** on a baking sheet with a large drizzle of **olive oil**, **Fry Seasoning**, **salt**, and **pepper**.
- Roast on top rack until golden brown and tender, 20-25 minutes.



#### **3 COOK ALMONDS & BACON**

- While potatoes roast, place **almonds** in a large, dry pan over medium-high heat. Toast, stirring often, until golden brown, 3-4 minutes. Transfer to a small bowl.
- Return same pan to medium-high heat and add **bacon\***. Cook, turning occasionally, until crispy, 6-10 minutes. Transfer to a paper-towel-lined plate. Turn off heat; reserve **bacon fat**. Wipe out pan.



# **4 MIX AIOLI & FORM PATTIES**

- Meanwhile, add mayonnaise, garlic, and half the Italian Seasoning to bowl with chives; stir to combine. Add lemon zest and lemon juice to taste; season with salt and pepper.
- In a large bowl, combine **beef**\*, remaining Italian Seasoning, **pepper**, and **¾ tsp salt**.
- Form mixture into two patties, each slightly wider than a burger bun. Season with **salt** and **pepper**.
- 4 SERVINGS: Use 1½ tsp salt. Form mixture into four patties.



# **5 COOK PATTIES**

- Heat a drizzle of **oil** (or reserved bacon fat) in pan used for bacon over medium-high heat. Add **patties** and cook to desired doneness, 3-5 minutes per side.
- In the last 1-2 minutes of cooking, top each patty with gouda. Cover pan to melt cheese.



#### 6 FINISH & SERVE

- While patties cook, halve and toast buns.
- Reserve a handful of mixed greens for topping burgers. Toss remaining mixed greens in a second large bowl with Caesar dressing, Parmesan, and toasted almonds; season with salt and pepper.
- Spread a thin layer of **aioli** onto cut sides of toasted buns. Fill buns with **patties**, **seasoned tomato**, **bacon**, and reserved mixed greens.
- Divide **burgers** between plates along with **potato wedges** and remaining aioli. Serve with salad and any remaining **lemon wedges** on the side.

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