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Smart Food Advice

Helpful tips to make your time in the kitchen easier and tastier



TALEGGIO

This soft, creamy Italian cheese, made from cow's milk, has a strong smell but a mild, tangy taste. Spread a bit on a toasted bun.



PECORINO

Hard from aging, this sharp, salty cheese is best when you place a few thin shavings over a just-off-the-grill patty.

BURGER + CHEESE = ♥

Who "invented" the cheeseburger? According to one story, the genius idea came to a cook at a Pasadena, Calif., sandwich shop in the mid-1920s. It all started with a slice of American, but nowadays we're experimenting with less traditional options. Try topping your family's next burgers with one of these five flavorful cheeses.



GOAT

Place a ¼-inch-thick slice of this fresh, mild cheese atop a hot burger and it will melt instantly.



CHEDDAR

Not ready to stray too far? Stick with this popular choice. Place a slice on a cooked burger and cover for about 30 seconds before removing from the heat.



BLUE

This pungent, earthy variety stands up well to a meaty burger. Crumble onto the patty 1 minute before removing it from the grill.



EDITORS' PICK

POTLUCK AND PICNIC TOTE

Take along potluck casseroles with the confidence they'll arrive just as you planned. This two-tiered tote by Picnic Time has a roomy, insulated compartment that can accommodate a large pan of cold or warm food (up to 300°F) on the bottom and shelf-stable foods or utensils in a separate zippered section on top.

Potluck casserole tote, 16½" x 10¾" x 7", \$34; picnictime.com



SCAN THE TOTE TO BUY IT. See page 2.





Major time-saver!

INSTANT DESSERT

No need for a hand mixer! Here's a one-dish, equipment-free method for making fresh whipped cream in a minute flat: Fill a mason jar halfway with cold heavy cream. Add 1 or 2 tsp. sugar and ¼ tsp. vanilla extract, if desired. Secure the lid and vigorously shake the jar until cream is light and fluffy, about 60 seconds (don't overshake!). The luxurious topping is great over shortcake or just-picked summer berries.