

Frend Onion Soup Sandwich by Clinton Kelly





In this episode, Clinton shows us how to turn pumpkin into the ultimate fall treat—soft, fragrant muffins that double as cupcakes. With cream cheese frosting, pepitas, and even a cheeky chipotle drizzle, these muffins prove pumpkin season is anything but basic.

Prep Time: Cook Time Serves: Level:

15 Minutes 30-40 Minutes 4 Servings Intermediate

Ingredients

- 4 slices sourdough (or other good-quality bread)
- 2 tbsp butter
- 3 medium yellow onions, thinly sliced
- ¼ tsp kosher salt
- 1 tsp dried thyme
- 1 cup beef broth
- Splash of red wine (optional)
- 5.3 oz Boursin cheese (any flavor)
- 4 oz Gruyère cheese, shredded
- Optional: ½ tsp sugar (if onions aren't browning)

Instructions

Step 1

In a large skillet, melt butter over medium heat.

Step 2

Add onions, salt, and thyme. Cook 25–30 minutes, stirring every few minutes until deeply caramelized. (If not browning after 20 minutes, stir in sugar.)

Step 3

Deglaze the pan with beef broth and red wine; bring to a boil and reduce until most liquid evaporates. Onions should be thick and jammy.

Step 4

(Optional prep step) Make ahead: Cool and refrigerate onions up to 2 days; reheat before using.

<u>Step 5</u>

Preheat oven to 400°F.

Step 6

Lightly toast the sourdough slices, then spread each with a thin layer of Boursin cheese.

Step 7

Spoon caramelized onions evenly on top, then sprinkle with shredded Gruyère. Step 8 Bake 8–10 minutes, until the cheese is fully melted and bubbly.

Serving & Finishing

• Serve with: lightly dressed green salad