

# Mule Recipes

Christmas is a busy day—and all to the good. Nevertheless, Christmas breakfast should be important if it is the first meeting of the excited family on one of the greatest days of the year.

The meal should be substantial but not elaborate. There's a new cranberry butter sauce, Christmas red in color, that suggests hot waffles or griddle cakes.

**Cranberry-butter Sauce**  
 Makes about 1 1/2 cups  
 One cup brown sugar, 1/2 cup water, 2 cups fresh cranberries, 2 cups butter or margarine  
 Boil sugar and water together 5 minutes. Add cranberries and boil about 10 minutes. Strain through a colander. Add 2 cups butter in 2 or 3 additions. Boil 20 minutes longer. Serve hot over pancakes or waffles.

In the waffles and cranberry butter have fruit juice first, then a dash of maple, pink sausages.

Another favorite breakfast for the Christmas stocking breakfast is biscuits to prepare with sautéed eggs. Use oven baked eggs and toast drop biscuits, butter, strawberry jam, orange juice.

The biscuits, bacon and eggs for this breakfast are done in the oven at the same time. The biscuits are put in first, then the bacon and eggs after 10 minutes. At the 15-minute mark, the sautéed eggs in the oven prepare the orange juice in a pan, and set the table.

**Drop Biscuits**  
 (11 to 16 biscuits)  
 In a prepared biscuit mix and follow package directions, or mix together 2 cups sifted flour, 3 teaspoons baking powder, and 1 teaspoon salt. Cut in 4 tablespoons shortening with pastry blender until the mixture resembles coarse crumbs. Add 1/2 cup cold milk, stirring with a fork. Drop by tablespoons on baking sheet or turn into greased muffin pans. Bake in a moderately hot oven (400 degrees F.) 20 minutes.

**Oven Baked Eggs**  
 Use individual baking dish, or 1 large shallow baking dish. Carefully break in 1 or 2 eggs in each dish, add 1 tablespoon cream or top milk for each egg, sprinkle with salt and pepper, and dot with butter. Bake in moderately hot oven (400 degrees F.) 10 minutes or until firm.

**Oven Cooked Bacon**  
 Put strips on rack and place in shallow pan. Bake in moderately hot oven (400 degrees F.) 15 minutes, or until crisp.

For a little extra Yuletide early in the day eating, these two recipes have holly in their hearts.

**Tabasco Scrambled Eggs with Sausage**  
 One dozen eggs, 1/2 cup milk, 1 tablespoon salt, 1/2 teaspoon Tabasco, 1/4 cup butter or margarine.  
 Beat eggs with milk, salt and Tabasco until well combined. Melt butter in large skillet, pour in egg mixture. Cook over medium heat, stirring bottom and sides as eggs become firm. Continue until eggs are thick and creamy. Serve immediately with link sausage.

**Sausage**  
 Slice link sausage in cold skillet and cook over low heat, turning frequently until browned, about 12 to 15 minutes. Pour off fat as it accumulates.



DONNER AND BLITZEN WAIT while Santa who looks suspiciously like Father takes a sly look at his young daughter Karen, all of five and son John, nearly four as they eye their tree on Christmas morning. The attractive pair are the children of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Gentry, Merrill. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Karl Gentry, Tulelake, in whose home Christmas scene was taken. Their mother is the former Georgia Liskey.

# Fat Purse not Necessary In Locating Worthy Gifts

You may have a heart of gold at Christmas time, and even though your purse doesn't match it, you needn't give up hope of giving distinctive gifts for the home-maker on your list.

Shops, everywhere, have rounded up a myriad of wondrous gift choices—for every taste, type and most importantly—for every budget.

Let's look at gifts for the home-maker! If the kitchen's her favorite province—wife, mother, aunt or grandmother—she'll go for gifts such as these.

Make her cooking chores easier with an electric table broiler that cooks steaks, chops, hamburgers or hot dogs, right at the table. Or, with an electric pot that cooks beans Boston-style at the table or serves chili, spaghetti or soup, piping hot.

If you want to give her the gift of electric magic—then choose from any of the wonderful new kitchen helps—roasters, mixers, irons (steam, regular or the new ones that are both), coffee brew-

ers, deep-fat potato and donut fryers, waffle irons, grills and countless others.

For each and every phase of home-making you'll find the precious practical gift!

Varying in styles from modern to traditional are the many gracious gifts of glassware for cooking or for serving.

You'll find top-of-the-oven glass cookware... oven-bakeware—smart new serving pieces that go from the cookstove to the table to sparkle in smart design and decorator colors.

There are distinctive coffee tables that raise up to dining height... lamp tables with pullout shelves and drawers; step tables with room for books, ornaments and magazines; corner tables that enhance sectional sofas; television tables that swivel about for good-viewing.

Padded leather-top tables and long, low window tables double as benches for TV parties and small space dwellings.

Another new design table has ceramic trays that double as planters, bases or refreshment servers.

There are smart gift tables that come in the classic mahogany, walnuts, oaks and the newer, modern beauty of limed, bleached and natural-finish woods.

Ceramic, china and wood-based lamps with new interpretations in sculptured designs of classic figurines, abstract patterns and geometric treatments are glistened for the home. Their shades are petticoat-ruffled with rucking and pleats, or stark-simple taking on elegance in color and fabric.

In the small gift department are wonderful ceramics, pottery and wooden ware for trays, table and mantle ornaments, lazy susans, tier trays, mirrors, framed pictures and leather hassocks all taking on gift-importance.

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# LIGHTING CONTEST PLANNED

This year's Christmas lighting contest will get underway late in December, according to chairman Bob Kent, junior chamber of commerce.

Jaycee-sponsored competition this season will follow closely last year's scheduling. Kent reported. Prizes will be awarded winners and will be announced at a later date.

Kent said final entries should be in by Friday, December 21, and judging will take place the following two days with announcement of winners scheduled for Christmas Eve.

Final rules for the contest, which Kent described as fun for everyone while benefiting the community, will be announced in the next two weeks.



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