New England Butter Clams

Great for your table. Great for our towns.



We'd like to introduce you to the New England Butter Clam ...

There's a new product in the marketplace – the "New England Butter Clam," a one-year-old farmed surf clam. When harvested at a size of 1.5 - 2 inches, New England Butter Clams are tender and easier to handle than a mature surf clam. Chefs find them full-bodied and richly sweet, with just the right salinity.

Surf Clams are part of New England's culinary history

Chances are, you and your customers have eaten surf clams. In the mid-20th century, the Howard Johnson's restaurant chain made fried clam strips using just the foot of the mature surf clam, and they became widely popular on a national level. Surf clams are also often minced into small pieces for use in chowders, while surf clam juice is used as a base in a wide variety of food and beverage preparations.

These little guys are playing a big role in the future of New England Seafood

This new product is giving consumers greater choice in shellfish. And it's giving shellfish farmers across New England a chance to further diversify what they grow. That's great for their own economic resiliency, great for the waters in which their grants are located, and great for the towns that support these farms. New England Butter Clams are grown sustainably and are 100% traceable.

Market Name: New England Butter Clams Scientific Name: Spisula soldissima Common Name: Surf Clams

Common Name: Surf Clams **Handling Instructions:** Keep cool, moist/ wet to prevent dry out from gaping. Cover or tightly pack (like razor clams).* Flavor characteristics: Attractive buttery taste with ample salinity. As one chef described: "Sweet, mild mineral, brine, buttery!" Can be consumed raw, ceviche style, sautéed or used in soups and paellas.

Size: 1.5 - 2.0 inches, approximately 20 pieces / pound Availability: Year round Production method: Aquaculture. Farmed in bays and estuaries by New England farmers and fishermen.

SOURCING / PURCHASE INFORMATION



SERVING SUGGESTIONS

New England Butter Clams are the perfect fit for your raw bar and refined culinary creations.

Half-shell medley: Showcase a selection of clams from across New England. Pair them with a flight of New England microbrews, a dry cider or Pét-nat. Beyond the raw bar, these clams are highly versatile - taking on Asian and Latin cuisine preparation incredibly well.

Recipe interchangeability

New England Butter Clams can be used in place of littlenecks and topneck clams (quahogs), manila clams, as well as cockles. Some adjustment of cooking time may be necessary.

Butter Clams Ceviche

John Norton, Coonamessett Inn, Falmouth, MA

Ingredients

36 surf clams, sliced 1/4" thick, and their liquid 1/4 cup each lime juice and lemon juice

- 1 large yellow bell pepper, diced small
- 1 tsp minced garlic
- 1 small red onion, diced fine
- 1 bunch cilantro, thinly sliced (chiffonade)

Preparation - No cooking needed!

- 1. Mix all ingredients together
- 2. Let sit for 90 180 minutes

3. Garnish with Thai chili or pickled kelp (simple rice vinegar brine with spices) and topped with sesame seeds





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Serving Size (10 Servings Per Co		er	
Amount Per Serving	1		
Calories 90	Cal	ories fro	m Fat 10
		% 0	aily Value
Total Fat 1g			2%
Saturated Fat	0g		0%
Trans Fat 0g			
Cholesterol 45	mg		15%
Sodium 350mg			15%
Total Carbohyd	Irate 4	4g	1%
Dietary Fiber 2	2g		8%
Sugars 0g			
Protein 16g			
Vitamin A 8%	• V	itamin C	0%
Calcium 6%	• Ir	on 40%	
*Percent Daily Values diet. Your daily values depending on your ca Cal	s may b	e higher or	
Saturated Fat Les	is than is than	65g 20g	80g 25g



100g serving size = ~25 clams; Omega-3 per serving = 100 mg

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