EGGS BENEDICT

(Tyler Florence, celebrity chef)

Ingredients:

2 egg yolks

 $1\frac{1}{2}$ T freshly squeezed lemon juice

 $\frac{1}{4}$ cup unsalted butter, melted

Pinch cayenne

Pinch salt

2 slices Canadian bacon

1 English muffins, split

 $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoons white vinegar

2 eggs

Salt and pepper, to taste

Hollandaise Sauce, recipe above

Fresh chopped parsley, for garnish



HOLLANDAISE SAUCE:

- 1. Vigorously whisk the egg yolks and lemon juice together in a stainless steel bowl and until the mixture is thickened and doubled in volume. Transfer to a steaming double boiler.
- 2. Continue to whisk rapidly. Be careful not to let the eggs get too hot or they will scramble.
- 3. Slowly drizzle in the melted butter and continue to whisk until the sauce is thickened and doubled in volume.
- 4. Remove from heat, whisk in cayenne and salt.

5. Cover and place in a warm spot until ready to use for the eggs benedict. If the sauce gets too thick, whisk in a few drops of warm water before serving.

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- 1. Brown the bacon in a medium skillet and toast the English muffins, cut sides up, on a baking sheet under the broiler.
- 2. Fill a small saucepan $\frac{3}{4}$ full of water. Add white vinegar to the cooking water. This will make the egg white cook faster so it does not spread.
- 3. Bring to a slow boil.
- 4. Gently break 1 of the eggs into the water taking care not to break it. Repeat with remaining eggs.
- 5. Reduce the heat to a gentle simmer.
- 6. Cook 3 1/2 minutes until the egg white is set and yolk remains soft.
- 7. Remove with a slotted spoon, allowing the egg to drain.
- 8. To assemble: Lay a slice of Canadian bacon on top of each muffin half, followed by a poached egg. Season with salt and pepper. Spoon hollandaise sauce over the eggs. Garnish with chopped parsley. (They are meant to be open-faced.)