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SWEET BABY RAY'S®
GOURMET SAUCES

THE ULTIMATE HOMEGATING GUIDE

2026

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**THINK
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FIRST**



**HOMEGATING
HOSTING HACKS**

**SAUCIEST
SLEEPERS
2026**

BONUS
**FLAVOR MATCHUP
CALENDAR** *INSIDE*



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HOMEGATING

TRAINING CAMP

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HOW MANY FOOTBALL GAMES ARE YOU ACTUALLY ATTENDING THIS SEASON...

No matter how much you love those hard, plastic back-busters they call seats, you can't catch every game live.

REAL ONES KNOW THAT SOMETIMES THE BEST VIEW OF THE GAME? IS FROM YOUR COUCH.

Sweet Baby Rays is taking flavor to the house all season long, with the **ultimate homegating guide**. From seating arrangements to party prep to app planning, we're sharing the latest viewing tips so you can cover the spread any given Sunday.



HOMEGATING HACKS

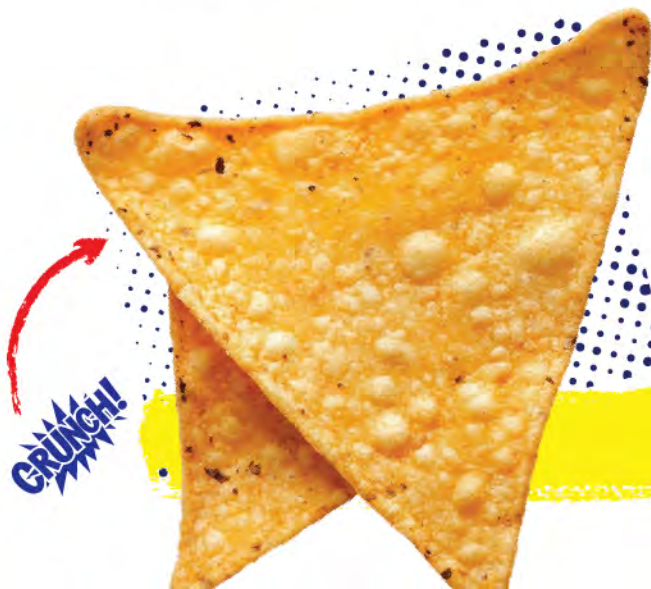
TASTY TIPS,
TRICKS AND TRY
HARD WAYS TO
DOMINATE YOUR
HOMEGATE

THE HOT SEAT

DON'T LET YOUR GUESTS GO AT EACH OTHER LIKE A JOINT PRE-SEASON PRACTICE. GIVE THE BEST SEAT TO WHOEVER BRINGS THE BEST FOOD. MAYBE JACKSON WILL FINALLY TAKE THE HINT THAT THIS ISN'T A FREE RIDE, PAL

THE CHIP ROTATION

DON'T DUMP EVERY CHIP OUT AT KICKOFF. FRESH BAG ENTERS IN THE THIRD QUARTER. FRESH LEGS. FRESH CRUNCH.



THE MUFFIN TIN TRYOUTS

GET REAL, YOU MAY KNOW WHAT A RAMEKIN IS, BUT YOU DON'T HAVE SIX OF THEM. INSTEAD, TURN A MUFFIN TIN INTO THE PERFECT SAUCE SAMPLER. KINDA LIKE A BEER FLIGHT.



SET THE SCREEN

SOMEHOW THE 50 YARD, ROLLING LEFT, BACKFOOT, TOE-DRAW TOUCHDOWNS ALWAYS HAPPEN WHEN YOU GET UP. DON'T MISS A PLAY. SET UP A TABLET AND SPEAKER AT THE FOOD TABLE. YOUR GUESTS DON'T KNOW IT YET, BUT THEY NEED THIS.



THE HEAT CHECK

NOT EVERYONE CAN DELETE A DOZEN HOT ONES LIKE YOU WITHOUT A ONE-WAY TRIP TO MEET THEIR MAKER. BE A GOOD HOST. LABEL YOUR WINGS.



CUSTOM SUPER SNACK BOWLS

PLAY SMARTER, NOT HARDER. ROLL AND TUCK THE BOTTOM OF THE CHIP BAG SO IT STANDS UP ON IT'S OWN. THAT'S HOW YOU ORCHESTRATE AN OFFENSE.



THE LUCKY WING

PUT THE "SUPER" IN SUPERSTITION AND SAVE ONE LUCKY WING FOR LAST. TEAM DOWN? EAT THE RALLY WING. IF IT DOESN'T WORK, THE FIX HAS TO BE IN. THAT'S THE ONLY EXPLANATION.



THE BACKUP COOLER

YOUR WASHING MACHINE DOESN'T WANT YOU TO KNOW THESE BAD BOYS MAKE THE PERFECT BACKUP COOLER. LOAD IT UP WITH ICE AND TOSS IN YOUR DRINKS—THAT'S SELF-DRAINING SELF CARE.



COLD BEER!

HOME FIELD

ADVANTAGE

SMALL MOVES FOR SMOOTHER HOMEGATING

THE GARBAGE TIME BAG

HAVE YOUR BACKUP BAG READY TO GET IN THE GAME WHEN THE CLOCK TICKS DOWN. LEAVE A FRESH BAG UNDER YOUR FULL ONE. PULL OUT THE TRASH AND BOOM. THE SUB IS ALREADY SUITED UP.

THE Q(B)R CODE

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DRIVEWAY DEPTH CHART

THE ONLY THING MORE FRUSTRATING THAN A TICKY TAC PI CALL ON THIRD AND LONG? HAVING TO PLAY CAR MUSICAL CHAIRS BECAUSE BILL HAS TO "GO HOME" TO HIS "LOVING FAMILY." GET A BEAT ON WHO'S LEAVING FIRST SO NO ONE GETS PARKED IN.

SATURDAY INSTALL

WOULD YOUR FAVORITE TEAM LEAVE ALL THEIR PREP TILL SUNDAY? EVEN THE WORST TEAM IN THE LEAGUE DOES... SOMETHING BEFORE GAMEDAY. BE A PRO. GET YOUR HOMEGATING PREP DONE BEFORE THE BIG DAY.

THE REMOTE SPOT

PICK ONE PLACE FOR THE REMOTE. THAT IS NOW ITS HOME. ANYONE WHO MOVES IT HAS COMPROMISED THE OPERATION.



THE FLEX

NOTHING WORSE THAN THE MARQUEE MATCHUP OF THE WEEK TURNING INTO A SNOOZEFEEST. LOOK ALIVE AND BE PREPARED WITH A SECOND SCREEN TO FLIP THROUGH THE OTHER GAMES.

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THE SAUCES

THE GAMEDAY G.O.A.T.

Barbecue Sauces



VERSATILE
DECORATED

A LOCK FOR THE
SAUCE HOF

HASN'T MISSED
A GAME IN
40 YEARS

“SOME SAUCES JUST
MAKE EVERYONE
BETTER

-OTHER SAUCES, PROBABLY

GO-TO PLAY

CROCKPOT CHICKEN

SET IT AND FORGET IT



X O O



Sweet Vidalia Onion

NOT HEAVILY SCOUTED
BUT DOMINATES WHEN
GIVEN PLAYING TIME.

BBQ HACK

ICE THE GAME

Some ice the kicker. We ice the sauce. Pour your leftover sauce from the ramekin into an ice tray. Stick it in the freezer and boom: It's saved for future recipes.



THE SAUCES

THE HOT ROUTE HERO

Wing Sauces



THE EVERY DOWN WORKHORSE SINCE IT BURST ONTO THE SCENE IN UPSTATE NY

47.7% PFF*
(PERCENT OF FINGER FOODS)

*Entirely made up stat

BUFFALO HACK

GO-TO PLAY

BUFFALO CHICKEN WINGS

IF YOU DON'T HAVE THESE
 DON'T HOST.



SAUCE TO WATCH



Mild Buffalo

CALLOUT(S): NOT A FIERY COMPETITOR BUT STILL COMPETES AT A HIGH LEVEL.

THE RELIEF SQUAD

Give your tastebuds some blockers as they go against spicy wings. Add these players to your O-line: Milk, vanilla ice cream, chocolate, lemons, peanut butter, honey, and really anything that'll cool you down. It'll keep you in the game all four quarters.



THE SAUCES

THE BREAKOUT CANDIDATE

Sauce & Marinades



ALWAYS THE WINGMAN.
NEVER THE WING, MAN.
COULD THIS BE GARLIC
PARM'S BREAKOUT YEAR?

10.5M PA*
(POURS ADDED)
IN 2025

*Number picked based on vibes. But it FEELS right, so it has to be right... right?



GO-TO PLAY

GARLIC PARM SLIDERS



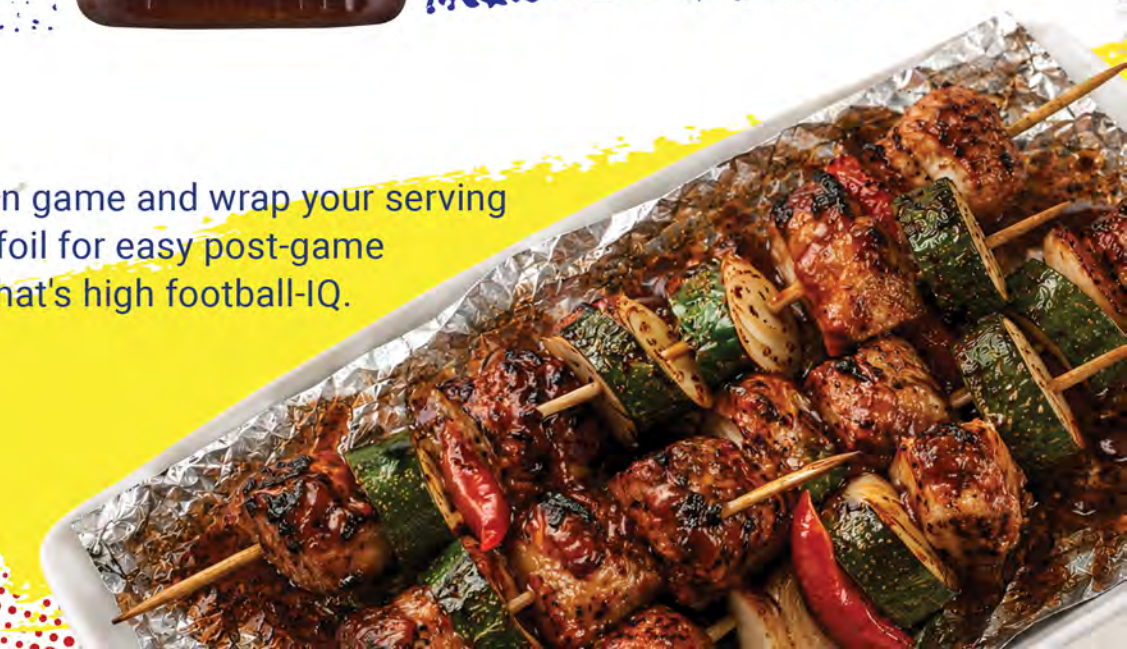
Sweet Teriyaki

A SAVVY PLAYER WHO CAN
MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN
LIMITED PLAYING TIME.

SAUCE HACK

THE FOIL FORMATION

Play a clean game and wrap your serving trays in tinfoil for easy post-game cleanup. That's high football-IQ.



THE SAUCES

THE HIGH-VALUE PLAY

Dipping Sauces



DIP INTO THE STATS:
HONEY MUSTARD IS A GREAT
VALUE PICK ONCE THE BIG
NAMES FLY OFF THE BOARD.

OVER 500M TDs
IN 2025*
(TOTAL DIPS)

*According to our
back-of-the-sauce-
stained-napkin math.

GO-TO PLAY

HOT HONEY MUSTARD DIPPING SAUCE

Put honey mustard on a
hot route with this recipe.



DIP HACK



Ray's Chicken Sauce

A LOW FLOOR, HIGH CEILING
SPECIALIST THAT ALWAYS
DOES THEIR JOB AT A HIGH
LEVEL. THE "SPECIAL TEAMS
STUD" OF SAUCES.

THE DIP CLIP

Binder clip + side of bowl =
spoon stays out of the queso
instead of disappearing into it
like the Titanic.



SAUCY SLEEPERS

LEAGUES ARE WON AND LOST IN THE LATE ROUNDS. PLAY SMART. TAKE A FLYER ON AN UNSUNG RECIPE AND FIND YOUR NEXT HIDDEN GEM. WHEN YOUR GUESTS GAS YOU UP FOR THESE BBQ JELLY MEATBALLS, YOU HAVE OUR PERMISSION TO TAKE FULL CREDIT

BUFFALO CHICKEN QUESADILLA



BBQ JELLY MEATBALLS



QUARTER RESERVE
4TH

Hide one elite snack from everyone until the fourth quarter. Morale matters.

(THESE ARE GONE BY KICK OFF OTHERWISE)

ITALIAN BEEF SLIDERS



CHICAGO FAVORITE

STREET CART CHICKEN BOWL



ROUND	PICK	RECIPE
1	3	Crockpot Chicken
2	12	Buffalo Chicken Dip
3	24	Buffalo Wings
4	37	Teriyaki Meatballs
5	42	BBQ Bacon Sliders
6	60	Garlic Parm Pasta
7	75	BBQ Jelly Meatballs
8	80	Loaded BBQ Nachos
9	82	Italian Beef Sliders
10	94	*Street Cart Chicken
11	111	Pulled Pork Flatbread
12	123	Buffalo Chicken Quesadilla

BIG UPSIDE

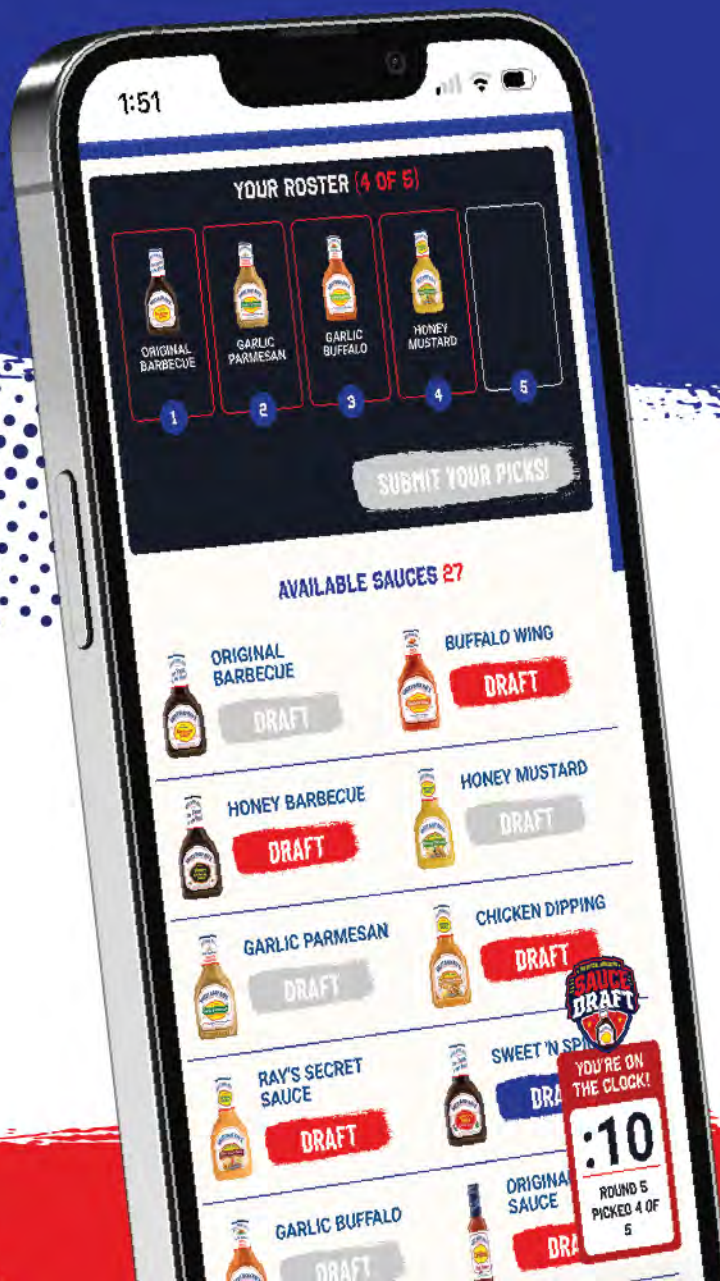
THE SAUCIEST MATCHUPS

2026

NEW ENGLAND BBQ CHICKEN FINGER SUB	WEEK 1 VS	SEATTLE HONEY TERIYAKI GRILLED SALMON	PITTSBURGH PRIMANTI-STYLE BBQ STEAK SANDWICH	WEEK 10 VS	CINCINNATI GAME DAY CHILI
INDIANAPOLIS HOOSIER PORK TENDERLOIN SANDWICH	WEEK 2 VS	KANSAS CITY BBQ BURNT ENDS	 MINNESTOA JUICY LUCY BURGER	WEEK 11 VS	SAN FRANCISCO GARLIC PARM SOURDOUGH FRIES
LOS ANGELES SWEET TERIYAKI KOREAN BBQ TACOS	WEEK 3 VS	DENVER GREEN CHILE PULLED PORK	 NEW YORK STREET CART CHICKEN & RICE BOWL	WEEK 12 VS	MIAMI MANGO HABANERO CUBAN SANDWICH
 DETROIT CONEY ISLAND HOT DOGS	WEEK 4 VS	CAROLINA CAROLINA BBQ BOWL	 LOS ANGELES MAHI MAHI TACOS	WEEK 13 VS	TAMPA BAY CAROLINA BBQ BOWL
 BALTIMORE MARYLAND CRAB CAKES	WEEK 5 VS	ATLANTA HONEY BBQ WINGS	 GREEN BAY WISCONSIN BEER BRATS	WEEK 14 VS	BUFFALO CLASSIC BUFFALO WINGS
DALLAS TEXAS BRISKET CHILI	WEEK 6 VS	GREEN BAY WISCONSIN BEER BRATS	 JACKSONVILLE MANGO HABANERO SHRIMP	WEEK 15 VS	HOUSTON BBQ BRISKET DOUBLE CHEESEBURGER WITH ONION STRAWS
CLEVELAND POLISH BOY SANDWICH	WEEK 7 VS	TENNESSE NASHVILLE HOT CHICKEN	ARIZONA SONORAN-STYLE BBQ CHICKEN BOWL	WEEK 16 VS	NEW ORLEANS BLACKENED SHRIMP PO'BOY
 PHILADELPHIA PHILLY CHEESESTEAK BOWL	WEEK 8 VS	WASHINGTON DC HALF SMOKE	DALLAS TEXAS BRISKET CHILI	WEEK 17 VS	NEY YORK GARLIC PARM MEATBALL HERO
TAMPA BAY GRILLED GROUPER TACOS	WEEK 9 VS	CHICAGO ITALIAN BEEF SLIDERS WITH GIARDINIERA	LAS VEGAS BOURBON GLAZED SURF & TURF SKEWERS	WEEK 18 VS	KANSAS CITY BBQ BURNT ENDS



HEY CHEF, YOU'RE ON THE CLOCK.



**SELECT YOUR SAUCE.
FIND YOUR TEAM.**

ORCHESTRATE THE HOMEGATE BY DRAFTING
YOUR FAVORITE SAUCES AND FINDING YOUR
TEAM. SCAN BELOW TO FIND YOURS.



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