CARAMELIZED ONION VEGETABLE DIP

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PREP: 15 Min COOK: 30 Min STOVETOP

MAKES 2 CUPS APPETIZER - DIP INGREDIENT MEASURE PROCESS QUA 2 **Yellow Onions** Slivered Large OR Yellow Onions Fine Diced 2 Large 4 Tbsp **Unsalted Butter** Extra Virgin Olive Oil (EVOO) 1/4Cup 1/4 Tsp Cayenne Pepper Cream Cheese (Philadelphia) 4 Oz Softened 1/2Sour Cream (Breakstone) Cup 1/2Cup Mayonnaise (Hellmann's) 1 +/-**Pinches** Kosher Salt To Taste HOT DIP OPTION Extra Sharp Cheddar Cheese 1 Shredded Cup PREPARATION This is an extremely good hot or cold Dip for fresh raw Vegetables. Easy to make and will FACTOID quickly disappear. 1) Stand Mixer & Paddle Head 2) Large Stainless Steel Skillet TOOLS 3) Glass Serving Dish 4) Glass Vegetable Platter **HOT DIP:** You may optionally make a large batch, sprinkle it with any Shredded Cheese HINTS of choice and bake until the Cheese melts and gets brown. DISH PREP Open the package of Cream Cheese and allow it to come to room temperature while you prepare the Onions. ONIONS Peel and cut the Onions in half and then slice them thinly into 1/16 inch thick slivers and PREP sprinkle them generously with Salt. You should end up with about 3 cups of Slivered Onions. If you don't want or like long strings of Onion in your Dip: OR ONIONS Peel and cut the Onions in half and then slice them into 1/8 inch thick half-rounds. Cut the PREP half-rounds into a 1/8 inch dice and sprinkle them generously with Salt. You should end up with about 2 cups of Diced Onions. Heat the Oil and Butter in a large stainless steel skillet over medium heat, as soon as the Butter has melted, add in the Onions and sprinkle with the Cayenne Pepper. Saute while 1 stirring occasionally for about 10 minutes. Reduce the heat to medium low and continue to saute until the Onions are browned nicely, about another 20 minutes. Remove from the heat and allow the Caramelized Onions to cool completely

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2	Place the Cream Cheese, Sour Cream and Mayonnaise in the bowl of a stand mixer fitted with a paddle head. Beat on low speed until smooth. Either add in the Caramelized Diced Onions and continue beating on low speed, or by hand, fold in the Caramelized Onion Slivers until mixed together. Taste for seasoning and adjust with Salt and Pepper. It SHOULD end up a tad on the Salty side.
SERVE	COLD: Place the dip in a pretty serving dish, seal it with plastic wrap and refrigerate it for
	at least 1 hour.
SERVE	HOT: Place the hot dip in a pretty oven-proof serving dish sprinkle with Cheese and broil
	until the Cheese browns.