## Jerk Burgers with Caramelized Pineapple Rings

These Jamaican inspired Jerk Burgers with Caramelized Pineapple Rings from Rachael Ray's "The Book of Burger" will definitely step up your game at the grill. The herbs and spices are mixed in to the meat, so you get the powerful flavor of jalapeno, onion, ginger, garlic, thyme and jerk spices throughout the burger, not just on top. This method makes the burger really moist too.

| Burger Ingredients |  |  |  | Tablespoon | brown sugar |
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|  | pounds | ground pork or ground chicken | 1 | Tablespoons | fresh thyme leaves or 1 teaspoon |
|  | cup | diced red or green onion + slices for buns |  | teaspoon | dry <br> salt and pepper to taste |
| 1 |  | jalapeno chile, seeded and minced |  | he Rest |  |
| 3 |  | garlic cloves, minced | 1/2 |  | fresh pineapple |
| 2 | Tablespoons | ginger root, minced | 4 |  | Hamburger buns toasted |
| 1 | teaspoon | allspice | 2 | Tablespoons | mayonnaise |
| 1 | teaspoon | cumin, ground |  | cup | shredded lettuce or whole leaf |
| 1 | teaspoon | ground coriander |  |  | lettuce |
| , | teaspoon | paprika | 1 |  | lime, cut in wedges |
|  | teaspoon | nutmeg |  |  |  |

1 Combine burger ingredients in a bowl and mix just until combined. DO NOT OVERMIX. Form four burgers into the size of the bun and place on a plastic wrap-lined tray for easy removal to the grill.
2 Cut off the top and bottom of the pineapple first, then slice vertical slices to remove skin on sides. Turn pineapple horizontal and cut into $1 / 2$ " pineapple rounds. Cut out center core if desired.
3 Grill pineapple slices and burgers on a medium-high grill, about 4 minutes on each side or until the meat is semi-firm to the touch. Squeeze lime juice over the patties before removing them from the heat. Toast the buns along the side for 30 seconds. WATCH to make sure they don't burn.
4 While burgers are cooking, dress top buns with mayo, lettuce and red onion slices. Pop the burger on to bottom half of bun and top with the pineapple ring. Sandwich it all together. Serve to hungry guests with your favorite barbecue sides.

Servings: 4
Preparation Time: 15 minutes
Cooking Time: 8 minutes
Total Time: 23 minutes

## Nutrition Facts

Nutrition (per serving): 688 calories, 368 calories from fat, 41 g total fat, 124.4 mg cholesterol, 507.8 mg sodium, 762.7 mg potassium, 46.1 g carbohydrates, 3.7 g fiber, 18.2 g sugar, 34.4 g protein.

## Source

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