## **Meatballs with Cranberry Chili Sauce**

Yield: 2 lbs

Using three kinds of ground meat is the secret to these moist and flavorful meatballs. Perfect for the holidays with the tart cranberry chili sauce

1 lb ground beef8 oz ground pork8 oz ground veal4 cloves garlic, minced

2 large eggs

1 cup freshly ground Romano cheese 2 tbsp Italian parsley, chopped fine

salt

black pepper

2 cups breadcrumbs
1-1/2 cups warm water
1 cup olive oil

Cranberry Chili Sauce

- 1. In a large bowl, combine beef, pork and veal. Add garlic, eggs, cheese parsley, salt and pepper.
- 2. Using a wooden spoon, combine breadcrumbs into mixture. Slowly add water about 1/2 cup at a time. The mixture should be very moist and hold its shape. Using a melon baller, shape into the size meatballs desired.
- 3. Heat olive oil in a large skillet. Fry meatballs in batches until light brown and crisp. Remove and drain on paper toweling.
- 4. Place all of the fried meatballs onto a baking sheet and keep warm in a 300°F oven.

## **Cranberry Chili Sauce**

Makes 2 cups

1 can (7 oz) chipotle peppers in adobo sauce, (not drained)

1 medium onion, cut into wedges

12 cloves garlic

1 cup lightly packed brown sugar

2 cups white wine vinegar

1 cup ketchup

1/4 cup extra virgin olive oil

1/4 cup molasses

1 tbsp Worcestershire sauce

ground cloves
ground coriander
red peppers
ground cinnamon
ground allspice
sea salt
cranberry jelly

- 1. In the work bowl if the food processor fitted with the metal blade, process the chipotle peppers with the adobe sauce, onion and garlic until pureed, about 1 minute. Add brown sugar and puree until smooth. Set aside.
- 2. In a medium saucepan over medium heat, vinegar, ketchup, olive oil, molasses, Worcestershire sauce, cloves, coriander, red pepper sauce, cinnamon, and allspice until it has reduced by half, about 4-6 minutes, add the pureed pepper/garlic mixture. Cook on low heat for 60 minutes. Season with salt. Add cranberry jelly and stir until fully melted. Serve on meatballs.