

Baked Clams with Garlic & Butter

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INGREDIENTS

- 36 littleneck clams
- ¼ pound butter, softened
- 2 tablespoons garlic, coarsely chopped
- 3 tablespoons green onion, coarsely chopped, including tops
- ½ cup fresh parsley, coarsely chopped
- ¼ cup dry white wine
- ¼ cup fresh bread crumbs
- ¼ teaspoon salt
- ¼ teaspoon black pepper, freshly ground
- 4 tablespoons Parmesan cheese, freshly grated
- rock salt

DIRECTIONS

1. Scrub clams thoroughly with a stiff brush under cold, running water. Open clams and discard top shell.
2. Combine butter, garlic, green onion, parsley, wine, crumbs, salt, pepper and half the Parmesan. Blend until smooth.
3. Place clams on the half shell in a bed of rock salt in a cooking pan. Spoon butter mixture evenly over clams.
4. Sprinkle with remaining Parmesan and bake at 450° F until clams are done and cheese is melted, about 6 to 8 minutes.

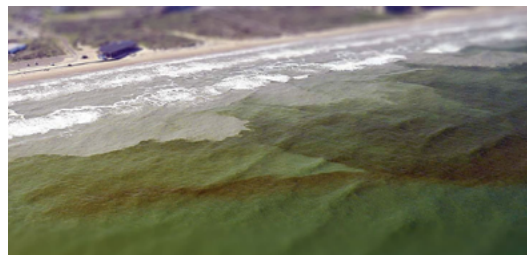




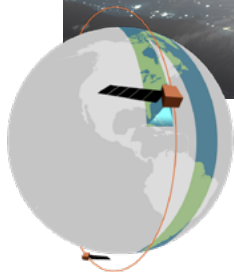
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VIIRS helps water resource managers decide where to sample to verify the presence of harmful algae and is used in NOAA’s Harmful Algal Bloom Operational Forecast System to provide advance warning of potential blooms.



Blooms of harmful algae, like this “red tide” off the coast of Texas, can cause illness and death in humans and animals.



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