



Grilled Shake Shack Style Cheeseburgers

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Some days, there is nothing like a hot rich beefy Shake Shack burger topped with melty American cheese squished between a soft potato bun. And, now you can make your own copycat version at home. At SS, the burgers are griddled, and if you have a backyard griddle, smash away! But you can achieve the same flavors using a hot grill too!

Makes 4 Burgers

Grilling Method: Direct/Medium Heat

Ingredients:

- 1 pound 80/20 ground chuck, brisket and short rib mix, or Pat Lafrieda, or Schweid & Sons pre-formed burgers
- 1 tablespoon Morton Kosher salt
- 1/2 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
- 4 slices American Cheese
- 4 potato buns
- 1/4 cup unsalted butter, softened

Toppings:

- Hamburger Pickle Chips, optional
- Extra American Cheese, optional
- 4 crisp lettuce leaves, optional
- 4 slices ripe tomato, optional
 ShackSauce, optional (see recipe below)

Method:

- 1. Being careful not to over-work the meat, mix until just combined and gently divide the meat into four pieces of equal size. Make into a ball and flatten until it is about 4 inches in diameter. Alternatively, use Pat LaFrieda or Schweid & Sons pre-formed burgers.
- 2. Mix salt and pepper together and season one side. Set aside.
- 3. Preheat the grill with all burners on high and make sure that the cooking grates are clean. Once clean, reduce the heat to a medium direct heat.
- 4. Place the seasoned side of the patty directly on the cooking grate and grill for 4 minutes with the lid down. Season the top of the patties and turn over to cook the uncooked side. Continue grilling 3 more minutes.



- 5. Top each burger with a slice of cheese and cook 1 more minute with the lid down. Remove and let patties rest.
- 6. Meanwhile, if desired, butter both sides of the rolls and grill the buns over Direct Medium heat until lightly toasted, about 1-2 minutes.
- 7. Serve immediately on the buttered rolls with optional ShackSauce, pickles, lettuce leaf, and tomato.

ShackSauce

This is the "authentic" ShackSauce adapted from the cookbook, <u>Shake Shack: Recipes & Stories</u>. The authors, Mark Rosati and Randy Garutti admit that it's not quite the same sauce that they serve onsite.

Makes a generous 1/2 cup

Ingredients:

- 1/2 cup Hellman's mayonnaise
- 1 tablespoon Dijon mustard
- 34 teaspoon Heinz ketchup
- 1/4 teaspoon kosher dill pickle brine, plus finely chopped pickles Pinch of cayenne pepper

Method:

Mix all ingredients in small bowl and refrigerate covered.