



SAVORY WITH SOME SPIRIT CHALLENGE

Each day of the N.C. State Fair presents a new cooking challenge for our contestants who dream up their own recipes, prepare them at home and bring them to the N.C. State Fair for critique by a panel of judges...but only one can take home the coveted blue ribbon.

You pick the protein and add a little SPIRIT. Prepare a dish that incorporates some of North Carolina's best spirits as a featured ingredient. The ingredient can be used for cooking the protein with or could be a glaze or sauce served with it. Give It Your Best Shot! Don't miss the list of spirit purveyors to choose from on page two!

Entry Deadline:

Monday, September 15, 2025

Cash Prizes

1st Prize: \$500

2nd Prize: \$300

3rd Prize: \$200

Home Chef Challenge is held in the Dorton Arena North Lobby. Check-in at contest site at least 30 minutes prior to contest start time. Each contestant will receive a Parking Pass for Lot C off Trinity Rd. at Carter-Finley Stadium. There is a free shuttle service to the fairgrounds. You will want to get off the shuttle at the second stop (Gate 3) which is the closest stop to the competition.



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PRODUCTS FROM THE FOLLOWING DISTILLERIES ARE THE ONLY PRODUCTS ACCEPTED FOR THIS CHALLENGE

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| 1. Bogue Sound Distillery, Inc. | 14. Liberty & Plenty Distillery |
| 2. Blue Ridge Distilling | 15. Muddy River |
| 3. BHAWK | 16. Murto Made Distillery |
| 4. Buffalo City | 17. Mystic Farm and Distillery |
| 5. Call Family Distillers | 18. Old Nick Williams Company |
| 6. Cape Fear Winery and Distillery | 19. Olde Raleigh |
| 7. Crush Vodaka | 20. Outer Banks Distilling |
| 8. Durham Distillery | 21. Seven Jars |
| 9. Eda Rhyne Distilling Company | 22. 712 Vodka |
| 10. End of Days Distillery | 23. Southern Distilling Company |
| 11. Fair Game Beverage Company | 24. Southern Grace Distilleries |
| 12. Great Wagon Road Distilling Company | 25. Walton's Distillery |
| 13. Hidden Ships Distillery | 26. Warehouse Distillery |



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