# A Sutherland Belle

# **Spicy Chimichurri Meatballs**

## INGREDIENTS

For the Chimichurri Sauce

- 1/2 cup olive oil
- 2 tbsp red wine vinegar
- Juice and zest of one lemon
- 1/2 cup fresh parsley, packed
- 1/2 cup fresh cilantro (packed)
- 2 Tbsp fresh oregano
- 4 cloves <u>Spice World Fresh & Peeled Garlic</u>
- 1 large Spice World Fresh Shallot, quartered
- 1Tbsp Spice World Kickin' Chili Onion Oil
- 1/2 tsp sea salt

### For the Meatballs

- 3/4 cup bread crumbs bread crumbs
- 1/3 cup prepared Chimichurri sauce
- 1 lb ground beef, (80/20 for best results)
- 1 lb ground pork
- 2 large eggs
- 1/2 tsp kosher salt
- 1/4 teaspoon red pepper flakes
- Crumbled feta and lemon wedges for garnish (optional)

### **INSTRUCTIONS**

- 1. In the base of a food processor, combine all the ingredients for Chimichurri sauce. Pulse until well combined, but still slightly thick. You do NOT want to over-blend.
- 2. For best results, allow to sit for 15 to 20 minutes to allow flavors to mix. Store refrigerated in an airtight container for up to 2 weeks
- 3. Preheat oven to 350°F. Line a large baking sheet with parchment paper.
- 4. In a large bowl, mix 1/3 cup prepared chimichurri with the bread crumbs.
- 5. Add ground beef, pork, salt, and red pepper flakes. Mix well with your hands until the breadcrumb mixture is completely mixed. Do NOT overwork the mixture which can lead to a tougher meatball.
- 6. With wet hands, roll the meat mixture into 2-inch balls (about 2-3 tablespoons each) and place on the baking sheet, about 19-21 total.

7. Bake in oven for 25-30 minutes, making sure to turn halfway. Discard. Serve with remaining chimichurri sauce, crumbled feta, and lemon wedges (if using). I like serving over Israeli couscous.