## A Sutherland Belle

## **Carne En Su Jugo**

## INGREDIENTS

- 6 ounces thick-cut bacon, chopped
- 3 pounds beef strip or top sirloin steak, cut into bite-sized pieces
- 10 tomatillos, husked and rinsed
- <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> medium white onion, plus more for topping
- 1-2 serrano peppers, stemmed and seeded
- 1 jalapeno, stemmed and seeded
- 1 cup packed cilantro, chopped, plus more for topping
- 5 cloves garlic
- 1 teaspoon ground cumin
- 1 teaspoon dried Mexican oregano (or regular oregano)
- 3 teaspoons kosher salt, divided
- <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> teaspoon fresh cracked black pepper
- 2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> cups beef stock
- <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> lime juiced
- 3 (15-ounce) cans of pinto beans, drained and rinsed
- Garnish with chopped white onion, cilantro, sliced radishes, and lime wedges

## **INSTRUCTIONS**

- 1. Add the bacon to a large pot or Dutch oven over medium heat and cook until crispy, about 10-12 minutes.
- 2. While the bacon is frying, make the tomatillo sauce. Add the tomatillos, onion, serrano and jalapeno peppers, garlic, beef stock, lime juice, chopped cilantro, cumin, oregano, black pepper, and 2 teaspoons salt into a large blender. Blend to a smooth, frothy consistency.
- 3. Transfer bacon to a paper towel-lined bowl and set aside. Season the beef with the remaining 1 teaspoon of kosher salt. Add the meat to the same pot and cook for 10 minutes until browned. This will ensure that the juices inside the meat are sealed inside.
- 4. When the meat has browned, pour in the tomatillo sauce. Stir to combine, bring to a boil, then reduce heat to simmer. Cover and cook for 30-35 minutes, until meat is tender.
- 5. Stir in the pinto beans and half of the reserved bacon. Cook for 2-4 more minutes until warmed through.
- 6. Serve in bowls garnished with crispy bacon, diced onions, chopped cilantro, thinly sliced radishes, and a lime wedge. Eat with fresh corn tortillas, tortilla chips, or ladle over cooked rice.