



HOW TO HOST AN
AUSSIE BARBEQUE

a Cooker and a Looker ebook

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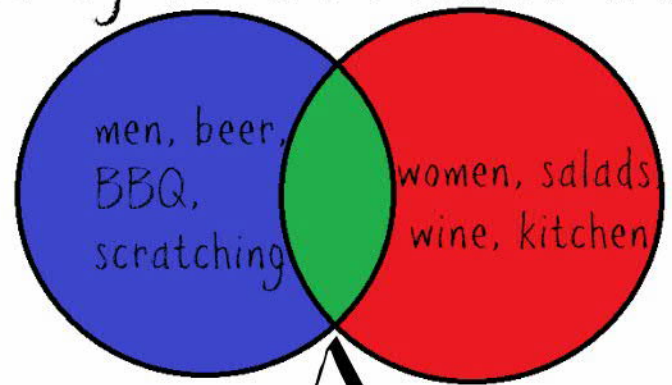


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Regular readers of the blog will be aware that I am, in fact, a woman. As such, I have never actually been on the smoking end of a BBQ. This puts me at a decided disadvantage when compiling BBQ advice. Social convention of an Australian Barbeque dictates that the men gather around the ignition source, blackening things and scratching themselves while the women congregate in the kitchen, making salads, wiping snotty noses and talking amongst themselves. Here's a diagram to clear it up for you:

Anatomy of an Aussie BBQ

So, I've enlisted the considerable expertise of my brothers-in-law (who by necessary social convention are men) to share with you their secrets of BBQ success.



I hope you find it both enjoyable and informative.

Happy Australia Day!
Cheers,
Amanda

where the BBQ
magic happens
(aka the serving table)

**the only thing that
should be flipped
more than once at a BBQ
is the bird.**



BBQ Tip #1:
only turn
the steaks
once

99% of people prefer their BBQs to be spit-free events.



BBQ Tip #2:

Open a new beer to anoint the onions & spare everyone a barbie braised with backwash



Tending the grill at Grandma's birthday soiree ?

BBQ Tip #2:

Give your apron choice
careful consideration





↑
this is a pricked sausage



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this is an echidna prick

BBQ Tip #4:

don't prick the sausages

(no one wants to tuck into a tallywhacker)



BYO MEAT BARBIE?

THERE'S ALWAYS ONE BLOKE WHO TURNS UP WITH CHUCK & PLATES UP SOMEONE ELSE'S RIB FILLET

BBQ TIP #5:

LABEL KEITH'S STEAK WITH A FLAG

UNDER ABSOLUTELY
NO CIRCUMSTANCE
SHOULD YOU GIVE THE
CHEF ADVICE



BBQ tip #6: keep some tabasco handy so you can 'enhance' the backseat BBQers steak or beer

MOST IMPORTANTLY - BBQ TIP #7

DON'T BARBEQUE BACON IN YOUR
BUDGIE SMUGGLERS.

(equal parts health warning and public service announcement)



ABOUT THE CONTRIBUTORS

Brett and Craig Smyth are my husband's older brothers. They're also the naughtiest boys I know. This makes them great fun. They share an affection for cold beer, proper food and games involving balls but hold strong (and divergent) opinions on the grilling of corn in the husk and the use of meat thermometers.

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BBQ MIX TAPE

Harley and Rose - Black Sorrows

Come said the boy - Mondo Rock

Rush you - Baby Animals

Great Southern Land - Icehouse

My Happiness - Powderfinger

Horses - Darryl Braithwaite

Sounds of Then - Gangajang

Run to Paradise - Choir Boys

Reckless - Australian Crawl

Miss Freelove '69 - Hoodoo Gurus

Holy Grail - Hunters and Collectors

Forgotten Years - Midnight Oil

Khe Sanh - Cold Chisel

Thunderstruck - ACDC

The nips are getting bigger - Mental as Anything

Treaty - Yothu Yindi

Never tear us apart - INXS

Bradman - Paul Kelly

Are you old enough - Dragon

Way out West - James Blundell

Pressure Down - John Farnham

Watch over me - Bernard Fanning

Down Under - Men At Work

Hammerhead - James Reyne

Working Class Man - Jimmy Barnes

