Fried Blue Catfish

This blue catfish recipe uses Cajun spices and is fried to perfection. I love a thin, spicy coating and dipping in tartar sauce.

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Ingredients

- 1 lb catfish fillets
- 1/4 cup flour
- 1/2 cup milk
- oil for frying
- 1 cup ground yellow cornmeal
- 2 eggs
- 1 tsp Old Bay or Cajun seasoning
- lemon wedges

Instructions

- 1. Whip the eggs and beer together and add the seasoning.
- 2. Mix the cornmeal and flour together and place on a plate.
- 3. Dip the fillet in the seasoned egg mixture and place on the cornmeal/flour mixture.
- 4. Sprinkle the top of the fillet with the dry mixture and press in with your hand.
- 5. Place on a baking sheet and repeat until all fillets are coated.
- 6. Let fish stand for 15 minutes before cooking them in the hot oil.
- 7. Meanwhile, preheat oil to 350 degrees on medium-high heat in a heavy skillet or cast iron pan.
- 8. Carefully place a few pieces of fish in the oil and do not overcrowd.
- 9. Fry until brown and crispy, about 2 to 3 minutes per side (depending on how thick and big the fillets are). If the fish easily flakes with a fork, it is done.
- 10. Place on paper towels and season with a squirt of lemon juice and salt.