

## Polenta Cicchetti From the "All Things Venetian" Event

## Ingredients:

- 1 cup polenta (Use Golden Pheasant brand if possible)
- 4 cups water (you can substitute chicken stock for all or part of the water)
- 1/4 teaspoon salt (if using chicken broth, reduce the salt)
- 2 tablespoons of butter, plus extra for coating the pan

Shredded Monterey Jack cheese

## **DIRECTIONS:**

In a deep pot, bring water and salt to a boil

With a wooden spoon, gradually add the polenta to the salted water, stirring constantly until thickened (about 25 minutes). Blend in butter.

Spread warm polenta into a buttered casserole dish to about a 1" thickness. Add a generous layer of shredded Monterey Jack cheese on top.

Place in a warm oven (350°) until cheese is melted. Or, you can put it under the broiler until the cheese is melted and golden brown.

Cut into small squares and serve as an appetizer.