

## ZACH'S CHORIZO SAUSAGE SEASONING – FRESH

Using Zach's Blend ZH561

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This ethnic sausage seasoning produces a full-flavored chorizo product but not too hot. Chorizo mean sausage in Spanish but there are versions of this sausage in many countries - sometimes with different spellings and slight variations in spices. The Mexican-style sausage uses high levels of paprika and chilies. Vinegar is added for lowering the pH of the meat.

Usually made with pork but other meats can be used.

Some suggested meat combinations for 25 Lb. of Chorizo include:			
#1	#2	#3	#4
Lean	Lean Pork Trimmings - 17.5 lb.	Boned Pork Butts	Game Meat - 15 Lb.
Pork Trimmings - 25 lb.	Lean Beef Trimmings - 7.5 lb	Or Pork Shoulders – 25 Lb.	Pork Fat – 10 Lb.

## **Processing**

- 1. Grind the meat through a 3-hole kidney plate
- 2. Add Zach's Chorizo Seasoning (19.75 oz) to the meat mixture and mix together for 5 minutes.
- 3. Add 3 cups (24 Oz.) of vinegar for 25 lb. of meat and mix again. Use the highest grain vinegar available, preferably 100 grain, (10% acidity), to obtain the best result. Lesser strength vinegars found in supermarkets will not produce as satisfactory a product. You can find concentrated vinegar in specially stores. SURIG makes a 25% vinegar which can be diluted to 10% by adding water.
- 4. Grind the mixture through a 3/16-inch sausage plate.
- 5. Allow the sausage to stand for 2 to 3 hours then remix to absorb the vinegar run-out.
- 6. Stuff the Chorizo into 35 to 42 mm natural hog or plastic casing to make links. For bulk sausage stuff into poly bags or pack in vacuum bags.

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