Pork Ham/Leg Cuts

Pork : Ham : Fresh Ham Center Slice



Cookery Method – Dry/Moist

> Cut from center of leg. Contains top, bottom, eye and tip muscles, and cross section of round leg bone.

Pork : Ham : Fresh Ham Rump Porition



Cookery Method – Dry/Moist

> Sirloin end of the pork leg. Contains pelvic bone and part of round leg bone.

Pork : Ham : Fresh Ham Shank Portion



Cookery Method – Dry/Moist

> Lower half of leg. Contains shank bone and part of round leg bone. Skin partially covers shank end of cut.

Pork Loin Cuts

Pork : Loin : Back Ribs



Cookery MethodDry/Moist

Cut from blade and center section of loin. Contains rib bones and muscles between ribs.

Pork : Loin : Blade Chops



Cookery Method – Dry/Moist

> Cut from blade end of loin, containing blade, rib and backbones and a variety of muscles.

Pork : Loin : Blade Chops Bnls



Cookery Method – Dry/Moist

> Cut from Blade Roast Boneless. Blade, rib and backbones removed.

Pork : Loin : Blade Roast



Cookery Method – Dry/Moist

> Contains part of blade bone, rib bones and backbone. Loin eye muscle is surrounded by several smaller muscles.

Pork : Loin : Butterfly Chops Bnls



Cookery Method – Dry

> Double chop, initially cut about 2 inches thick from boneless loin. Sliced almost in half from fat side to form two sides resembling a "butterfly".

Pork : Loin : Center Loin Roast



Cookery Method – Dry

> Cut from center of loin. Contains loin eye, tenderloin, several smaller muscles, rib bones and "T-Bones"

Pork : Loin : Center Rib Roast



Cookery Method – Dry

> Cut from center rib section of loin. Contains loin eye muscle, and rib and back bones.

Pork : Loin : Country-Style Ribs



Cookery Method – Dry/Moist

Made by splitting blade end of loin into halves lengthwise. Contains part of loin eye muscle, and either rib bones or backbones. May be cut into ³/₄ to 1 inch slices as shown here.

Pork : Loin : Chops



Cookery MethodDry

Cut from sirloin half of loin. Contains loin eye and tenderloin muscles separated by "T-Bone".

Pork : Loin : Rib Chops



Cookery Method – Dry

> Contains loin eye muscle, backbone and part of rib bone. Usually cut ³/₄ to 1 inch in thickness.

Pork : Loin : Sirloin Chops



Cookery Method – Dry

> Cut from sirloin end of loin. Same muscle and bone structure as sirloin Roast, but cut into chops ³/₄ to 1 inch thick.

Pork : Loin : Sirloin Cutlets



Cookery Method – Dry

> Boneless slices cut from sirloin end of loin after tenderloin muscle, hip bone and backbone are removed. Usually 1/4 to 1/2 inch thick.

Pork : Loin : Sirloin Roast



Cookery Method – Dry

> Contains hip bone and backbone. Larger muscle on end is the loin eye, separated from tenderloin muscle by "T-Bone".

Pork : Loin : Tenderloin, Whole



Cookery Method– Dry

Boneless cut from the inside of the loin, located next to the backbone. Larger end is round in shape, and gradually tapers to the thinner, flat end.

Pork : Loin : Top Loin Chops



Cookery Method – Dry

> Similar to Loin Chops, but tenderloin muscle and part of chine bone removed. Primary muscle is the loin eye (top loin) muscle.

Pork : Loin : Top Loin Chops Bnls



Cookery Method– Dry

Same muscle structure as Top Loin Chops, but bones removed.

Pork : Loin : Top Loin Roast Bnls



Cookery Method – Dry

> Cut from center of the loin. Primary muscle is the loin eye, with several smaller surrounding muscles. The tenderloin muscle and all bones have been removed.

Pork : Loin : Top Loin Double Roast Bnls



Cookery Method – Dry

> Two Top Loin Roasts (Bnls) tied or netted together, fat side out.

Pork Shoulder Cuts

Pork : Shoulder : Arm Picnic



Cookery Method – Dry/Moist

> Contains arm bone, portion of blade bone, and a variety of muscles. Shank and part of shoulder covered with skin.

Pork : Shoulder : Arm Roast



Cookery Method – Dry/Moist

> Cut from Arm Picnic. Shank removed, leaving round arm bone and a variety of muscles.

Pork : Shoulder : Arm Steak



Cookery Method – Dry/Moist

> Same muscle and bone structure as Arm Roast, but cut about ³/₄ inch thick.

Pork : Shoulder : Blade Boston Roast



Cookery Method – Dry/Moist

> Contains blade bone, exposed on two sides of the cut. Includes a variety of muscles.

Pork : Shoulder : Blade Steak



Cookery Method – Dry/Moist

> Cut from Blade Boston Roast, ³/₄ inch thick. Contains blade bone and surrounding muscles.

Pork Side "Belly" Cuts

Pork : Side : Fresh Side Pork



Cookery Method – Dry/Moist

> Section of side remaining after loin and spareribs have been removed. Similar in appearance to Smoked Pork Slab Bacon, but fresh.

Pork Spareribs Cuts

Pork : Spareribs : Pork Spareribs



Cookery Method – Dry/Moist

> Contains long rib bones, with thin covering of meat on outside and between ribs. May contain rib cartilage.

Pork Variety Meats Cuts

Pork : Variety : Pork Heart



Cookery Method – Dry/Moist

Generally sold cut or split.

Pork : Variety : Pork Kidney



Cookery Method – Dry/Moist

> Dark red in color, shaped like a kidney bean and larger than a lamb kidney.
Pork : Variety : Pork Liver



Cookery Method – Dry/Moist

3 lobes about equal in size

Pork : Variety : Pork Tongue



Cookery Method – Dry/Moist

> Rough skin covers muscles of tongue, including base. It is removed before serving. Sold fresh, cured, or cured and smoked.

Pork Various Cuts

Pork : Various : Pork Cubed Steak



Cookery Method – Dry/Moist

> Can be made from any boneless, lean cut. Cubed effect made by a machine that tenderizes mechanically.

Pork : Various : Ground Pork



Cookery Method – Dry

> Ground Pork is unseasoned and made by mechanically grinding lean meat and/or trimmings from several larger cuts.

Pork : Shoulder : Hock



Cookery Method – Moist

> Cut from Pork Shoulder, containing shank bones and surrounding muscles. Skin usually remains on cut.

Pork : Various : Sausage



Cookery Method– Dry

Made from fresh ground pork and seasonings, such as salt, pepper and sage. Sold in bulk or as patties, shown here.

Pork : Various : Pork Sausage Links



Cookery Method – Dry

> Made from fresh ground pork and seasonings, such as salt, pepper and sage. Stuffed into edible casings and shaped into links.

Pork Smoked/Cured Ham/Leg Cuts

Pork : Ham : Smoked Ham Center Slice



Cookery Method – Dry

> Cut from center portion of Whole Smoked Ham, about ³/₄ to 1 inch thick. Contains top, bottom, eye and tip muscles, and cross section of round leg bone.

Pork : Ham : Smoked Ham Bnls



Cookery Method – Dry

> Fresh pork leg with bones, skin and fat removed. Remaining leg muscles are cured, placed in a casing, and smoked.

Pork : Ham : Whole



Cookery Method – Dry

Entire leg of pork, cured and smoked.

Pork : Ham : Smoked Rump Portion



Cookery Method – Dry

> Section of leg from the sirloin end, cured and smoked. Center slices have been removed. Contains pelvic bone and part of round leg bone.

Pork : Ham : Smoked Ham Shank Portion



Cookery Method – Dry

> Lower part of leg, cured and smoked. Center slices have been removed. Contains shank bone and part of round leg bone.

Pork Smoked/Cured Jowl Cuts

Pork : Jowl : Smoked Pork Jowl



Cookery Method – Moist

> Square-shaped cut from neck (jowl) area. Cured and smoked.

Pork Smoked/Cured Loin Cuts

Pork : Loin : Smoked Back Ribs

Cookery Method – Dry/Moist



Cured and smoked version of fresh Loin Back Ribs.

Smoked Pork : Loin : Canadian Bacon Style Loin



Cookery Method – Dry

> Boneless loin eye muscle from the pork loin, cured and smoked. May be sold sliced or in larger portions as roasts.

Smoked Pork : Loin : Chop



Cookery Method – Dry

> Same muscle and bone structure as fresh Loin Chops, but cured and smoked.

Smoked Pork : Loin : Rib Chops



Cookery Method – Dry

> Same muscle and bone structure as fresh Loin Rib Chop, but cured and smoked.

Pork Smoked/Cured Shoulder Cuts

Smoked Pork : Shoulder : Picnic, Whole



Cookery Method – Dry/Moist

> Same muscle and bone structure as fresh Arm Picnic. Cured and smoked.

Pork Smoked/Cured Side "Belly" Cuts

Pork : Side : Slab Bacon



Cookery Method– Dry

Cured and smoked pork side. Other side may be covered with skin.

Pork : Side : Sliced Bacon

Cookery Method – Dry



Sliced from Slab Bacon. Thickness based on customer desires (usually 1/8 inch or less).

Pork Smoked/Cured Spareribs Cuts

Pork : Spareribs : Smoked Spareribs

Cookery Method – Dry/Moist



Cured and smoked version of fresh Pork Spareribs.

Smoked Pork : Shoulder : Hock



Cookery Method – Dry/Moist

> Cured and smoked cut containing shank bones and surrounding muscles. Oval in shape, cut 2 to 3 inches thick.