## Crockpot Meatballs



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## Serves 8

## Prep Time: 20 minutes

## Cook Time: 5 hours 0 minutes

## Ingredients

## For the Meatballs (for a large batch):

3 lb of Ground Beef
2 Eggs
1-1/2 cups of Fresh Breadcrumbs
_1/4 tsp of Fennel Seeds
1/2 cup of Freshly Grated Parmigiano
Reggiano
2 Cloves of Garlic
__1 Small Yellow Onion
_1 tsp of Italian Seasoning
__Salt and Pepper, to taste

## For the sauce:

_ $1 / 2$ cup of Red Wine

- 24 oz can of Tomato Puree
__14 oz can of Crushed Tomatoes
1 Yellow onion, sliced
__1 Red Bell Pepper, sliced
__10 oz of Cremini Mushrooms, sliced
__2 tsp of Italian seasoning
__Salt and Pepper, to taste

1) To make the meatballs, add the onions and garlic to a food processor and pulse until smooth.
2) In a large bowl, add the ground beef, onion mixture. fennel seeds, parm, bread crumbs, eggs Italian seasoning, salt and pepper, mix everything together well and form your meatballs.
3) Add the meatballs straight into the crock
 pot (make sure you add a small drizzle of oil to the bottom of your crockpot) and cook them on high for 2 hours.
4) After the 2 hours, add all of the ingredients for the sauce right over top of the meatballs, cover and cook on high for an additional 2 hours and 45 minutes.
5) Once everything is cooked, give it a good stir and adjust the seasoning to taste.
