Salami Wrapped & Stuffed Spicy Cream Cheese Dates

Ingredients:

- o 30 Dates- pitted- I buy mine pitted.
- o 30- Salami- cut in half- Buy "silver dollar" sized sliced Salami so it wraps around the whole date.
- o 8 oz. cream cheese- ROOM TEMPERATURE so it is soft and manageable.
- 4 dashes of Cholula
- o 2 Tablespoons chives- minced
- o 2 cracks of black pepper

Garnish:

o Chives or fresh eatable flower pedals.

Equipment:

- o Sheet tray 12"x17"
- o Steel Cooling Rack 11.1" x 16"
- Mixing bowl
- Spoon for stirring
- o 30 toothpicks

Method:

- 1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees
- 2. Mix all ingredients, except dates and salami, together in the mixing bowl.
- 3. Assemble dates by stuffing the dates with as much spicy cream cheese as they can handle, then wrap them in a half piece of salami and spear with a toothpick.
- 4. Bake for 20 minutes or until golden brown and delicious