

## Jalapeño Beer Cheese

## **Ingredients**

- 1 cup Birdsong Jalapeño Pale Ale
- ½ cup heavy cream
- 8 oz shredded Fontina
- 8 oz shredded Mild Cheddar
- 2 tbsp cornstarch
- 4 tbsp unsalted butter
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1/4 cup green onions, white parts only, minced
- 2 large fresh jalapeño peppers, seeds removed and diced
- 2 tbsp flour
- ½ tsp cayenne pepper
- ½ tsp salt

## Instructions

- 1. Mix Fontina, Cheddar and cornstarch together in a large bowl. Set aside.
- 2. In a large saucepan, melt the butter over medium heat. Add the onion, garlic and diced jalapeño pepper. Stir until fragrant.
- 3. Add the flour, cayenne and salt and stir constantly for one minute.
- 4. Slowly whisk in the Jalapeno Pale Ale and heavy cream. Bring to a boil and then immediately reduce heat to medium-low and simmer until thickened, about 5 minutes.
- 5. Remove from heat and begin adding the cheese-cornstarch mixture cup by cup, slowly stirring it in as it melts.
- 6. Season to taste with salt and pepper and transfer to a serving dish or a small slow cooker to keep it warm.
- 7. Serve immediately with soft pretzels or tortilla chips.