## SINGAPORE

## Singapore Savory Bread

## Roti Babi

The multicultural, multiracial population of Singapore is mirrored in its cuisine, which mixes Chinese, Malay, and Indian ingredients and cooking techniques, as this recipe demonstrates. Roti is a collective name in India for a wide variety of breads, and ground seafood and pork are traditional Chinese ingredients.

- 1. Combine fish paste, shrimp, pork, crabmeat, soy sauce, sesame oil, pepper, and eggs in a medium bowl. Beat together with a spoon to thoroughly blend.
- 2. Spread mixture evenly on each slice of bread. Cut each slice into 6 small rectangles, or bite-size pieces.
- 3. In a deep pan, heat vegetable oil until hot. Fry bread pieces until they are golden brown, about 7 minutes.
- 4. Drain pieces on paper towels. Let cool before serving.

## servings: 8 to 10

- 1/2 pound fresh fish paste\*
- 1/2 pound small shrimp, peeled and minced
- 1/2 pound ground pork
- 1 can (6 ounces) crabmeat, drained
- 3 tablespoons light soy sauce
- 2 teaspoons Asian sesame oil Pepper to taste
- 2 large eggs, lightly beaten
- 11/4-pound loaf white bread, sliced, with or without crusts
  - 1 quart vegetable oil for frying

<sup>\*</sup>Available at Asian food markets.