



Chicken baked in sauternes

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20 minutes Preparation time

1 hour, 20 minutes

Cooking time

4-6 Serves

INGREDIENTS

1 tbsp duck fat or olive oil 2 kg chicken Maryland (1/2 Summerland chicken) chopped into 100 g pieces 12 shallots, peeled and cut in half lengthways 4 garlic cloves, peeled and finely sliced 2 sprigs thyme 100 ml apple vinegar 1 bottle (375 ml) dessert wine, preferably sauterne 200 ml chicken stock 2 zucchini courgettes, diced or shaped into suitable size 1/2 lemon, zest and juice 50 g cultured butter Sea Salt and pepper

METHOD

- 1. Pre-heat oven on Fan Plus at 140°C.
- 2. Place a heavy Le Creuset style casserole dish on medium heat, Induction setting 6-7.
- 3. Add the oil or fat, and then the chicken pieces, colour until golden, and add the shallots and garlic. Sauté for 3-4 minutes.
- 4. Add thyme, then deglaze the pan with the vinegar, reduce to a glaze then add dessert wine and reduce the liquid by half.
- 5. Add the chicken stock, bring to the boil, cover and place into the oven for 45 minutes.
- 6. Remove from the oven, let rest for a minimum of 15 minutes.
- 7. Remove the chicken pieces and rest on a plate covered with cling film to prevent drying out. Skim off any visible fat from the top of the braising juices and discard.
- 8. Bring the remaining liquid to the boil; add the courgette and simmer for 2 minutes or until cooked.
- 9. Season with lemon juice, zest, salt and butter.
- 10. Bring to the boil, add the chicken pieces, and remove from the heat.