

## Sarah's Chocolate Rabbit

Recipe by Sarah Stockwin



**Serves 8 - 10** 

## **INGREDIENTS**

- 2 rabbits (cut into 6 pieces each)
- 200ml chicken stock
- 100gm dark chocolate (75% or more)
- 6 French shallots (finely chopped)
- 2 carrots (diced small)
- 2 garlic cloves (crushed)
- ½ tbsp brandy
- 1 bouquet garni (bay leaf, parsley, thyme)
- pepper & salt
- 1 cup white or red wine
- ¼ cup wine vinegar
- 1 celery stalk (finely sliced)
- pinch chili flakes
- ¼ cup sultanas (optional)
- 1 tbsp brown sugar
- ½ cup of oil

## **NOTES**

This dish is best served with a creamy mash potato. Be sure to source the rabbit from your local butcher.

## **DIRECTIONS**

- 1. Marinate rabbit pieces for 1-2 hours in wine & oil. Turn over halfway through.
- 2. Remove the rabbit and drain, saving the marinade for later.
- 3. Add 2 tbsp oil to a hot casserole dish. Sauté rabbit pieces until brown. Remove & set aside.
- 4. Add carrots, shallots and celery to the pan, sauté until soft. Deglaze with brandy.
- 5. Reduce heat then add wine marinade, bouquet garni, pepper, salt, chili, vinegar, stock and rabbit pieces.
- 6. Cover with lid and simmer gently until soft. (Time will vary: 1 hour for farmed rabbit. 2-3 hours if wild rabbit.)
- 7. Keep checking the pot, adding water if it gets dry.
- 8. When ready, remove rabbit pieces and set aside.
- 9. Strain liquid and return sauce to pot.
- 10. Keep sauce on low. Add chocolate, sultanas and brown sugar. Stir gently until sauce thickens a little.
- 11. Once thickened, return rabbit to sauce and serve when ready.



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