

VENISON BRAISED IN STOUT

METHOD

Pre-heat the oven to gas mark 2, 275 F (140 C). Heat the oil to a high temperature in the casserole dish and brown the diced venison to a rich and brown colour on both sides. Take the meat out then add some more oil to the casserole along with the onion and brown this for about 8 minutes before adding the garlic and frying for another 2 minutes. Return the meat into the dish with the bay leaf and thyme , to join the onions. Stir in flour to soak up the juices, then pour in the stout and beef stock, add the walnuts and season well. As soon as it reaches a gentle simmer, put a lid on it. Then transfer the casserole to the middle of the oven and forget about it for an hour and a half. By which time the meat will be tender and the sauce will be marvellously dark and rich.

INGREDIENTS

- 400-500g Diced Venison
- 1 clove of garlic
- 1 onion, sliced
- 1/2 tbsp plain flower
- Salt and pepper
- 150ml stout (we use Lyme Regis brewery, black ven porter)
- 100ml beef stock
- 150g pickled walnuts, drained and halved
- 1 bay leaf
- Dried thyme