Baked Dutch Flank Steak with Port Wine Reduction, Bacon and Pear

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Serves: 4 Preparation time: 20 minutes Cooking time: 10 minutes

INGREDIENTS

400 g	Veal Flank Steak		Netherlands
100 g	Pear		Belgium
200 g	Bacon		Denmark
100 ml	Port Wine	PDO	Portugal
100 g	Messara (Extra Virgin Olive Oil)	PDO	Greece
100 ml	Pale lager beer	PDO	Czechia
35 g	Butter		Belgium
200 ml	White vinegar		
100 g	Brown Sugar		
50 g	Flour		
50 g	Corn Starch		
200 ml	Glucose syrup		
To taste	Salt and pepper		

PREPARATION

VEAL FLANK

1. Remove fat and silver skin and marinate overnight*

*Marinade

3 parts olive oil

1 part acid (lemon, lime or vinegar)

Aromatics (fresh herbs, garlic, pepper, ect ect)

PORT SAUCE

- 1. Pour the port wine and the glucose syrup in a pan on medium heat
- 2. Add some aromatics: Dried mushroom, shallots and bay leaves (OPTIONAL)
- 3. Reduce until the liquid reaches 107 degrees Celsius
- 4. Season with salt and pepper to taste

BEER BATTER

- 1. Mix cornstarch, flour and beer (make sure there is no clumps)
- 2. Put in the refrigerator for 10 minutes

PICKLED PEAR

- 1. Bring water, vinegar and sugar to boil (until sugar is completely dissolved)
- 2. Peel and slice the pear
- 3. Pour the liquid over the sliced pear to cover

ASSEMBLY

- 1. Cook the steak medium rear on high heat with some oil
- 2. Roll the bacon and the pear then keep it together with a toothpick
- 3. Dip in the beer batter then fry in hot oil (170 degrees)
- 4. Drain on kitchen paper
- 5. Put a slice of the steak and the roll on the two sides of the dish
- 6. Pour the wine reduction in the middle
- 7. Season with salt and pepper
- 8. Garnish with some green leaves



