HUNGARIAN · LUNCH · DINNER

Marhapörkölt (Hungarian Beef Shank Stew with Red Wine)

Egri vörösboros marhalábszár pörkölt

150 min | Serves 3 | 450 kcal a serve | Video 10:44 in Hungarian · Mészi cook

Gluten-free ingredients | Dairy-free | Nut-free

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About 55 g protein and 12 g net carbs a serve: beef shank slowly braised with onion, pepper, tomato and paprika, with no flour in the sauce.

Ingredients

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- [ ] 600 g **beef shank** (shin), cut into cubes
- [ ] 40 g **smoked bacon** (füstölt szalonna), finely diced
- [ ] 250 g **onions**, finely chopped
- [ ] 1 tsp **salt**
- [ ] 1 **tomato** (130–150 g), chopped
- [ ] 1 **green pepper** (Hungarian wax pepper, 130–150 g), chopped
- [ ] 1 tsp **ground caraway**, plus a pinch near the end
- [ ] 2 tsp **sweet Hungarian paprika**
- [ ] 4–5 **garlic** cloves, chopped, plus a little more near the end
- [ ] **Chilli**: a little hot pepper or hot paprika, to taste
- [ ] 100 ml **dry red wine** (Egri Bikavér)

Contains: none of the common allergens in the listed ingredients. Check labels on stock, sauces and spice mixes.

Method

TIMES = THE MOMENT IN THE VIDEO

1. Dice the smoked bacon and fry it in a heavy pot over medium heat until the fat runs out. Meanwhile chop the onions finely. 0:46
2. Rinse the beef shank, pat it dry and cut it into cubes. 2:10
3. When the fat has rendered, add the onions with 1 tsp salt and fry until golden brown. 3:55
4. Add the chopped tomato and pepper, then the beef, and turn it in the onions for a few minutes. 4:26
5. Stir in the ground caraway and sweet paprika, then the garlic and hot paprika to taste. 5:17
6. Pour in the red wine and let it bubble. 6:30
7. Add just enough water to cover the meat and vegetables and simmer at least 2 hours, letting the liquid cook down until it almost catches, then topping up a little water again — repeat to build a thick sauce. 7:15
8. Fifteen to twenty minutes before the end, add a little more garlic and caraway, and simmer until the beef is tender and the sauce thick. 8:45

> **Tip** Serves about 3 (the cook doesn't say), or 4 with nokedli or boiled potatoes on the side. Pickled cucumbers or a cabbage salad keep it lower in carbs. Freezes well.

The method is a summary in our words, in English — the video (in Hungarian) shows every step.

One serve gives you

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ENERGY	PROTEIN	CARBOHYDRATE	FIBRE	FAT	SODIUM
450 kcal	**55** g	**16** g	**3.7** g	**16** g	**970** mg
1,880 kJ	109% of a day	12 g net · 6.4 g sugars	13% of a day	5.3 g saturated	42% of a day
		6% of a day		20% of a day	

Energy from net carbs 12% · protein 53% · fat 35% — low carb (under 26% of the energy from carbs)

High in (20%+ of a day) Vitamin B12 240% · Zinc 149% · Selenium 89% · Vitamin C 60% · Vitamin B6 56% · Iron 39% · Potassium 24%

Source of (10–19%) Magnesium 18% · Folate 11%

Recipe and video: Mészi cook (@Mészifőzésbarkácsol) on YouTube — youtube.com/watch?v=HkoxuE9lDqo, published 4 February 2022. All credit for the recipe goes to the cook; please watch and support their channel.

By Notbroken: the method summary, the diet notes and the nutrition estimate — worked out from the ingredient list with USDA FoodData Central values; % of a day compares one serve with the US FDA daily values on food labels (2,000 kcal). Brands, portions and cooking change the real numbers.

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