ITALIAN · LUNCH · DINNER

Ossobuco alla Milanese (Braised Veal Shanks with Gremolata)

Ossibuchi alla milanese

90 min · Serves 4 · 560 kcal a serve · Video 5:44 in Italian · Giallozafferano recipes

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About 49 g protein and 12 g net carbs a serve: veal shank braised slowly with onions, wine and stock, only lightly floured, and finished with a fresh parsley, garlic and lemon gremolata; rich in vitamin B12 and zinc.

Ingredients 12 · SERVES 4

- [ ] 4 **veal shank** slices (ossibuchi), about 300 g each (1.2 kg)
- [ ] 250 g **brown onions**, cut into wedges
- [ ] 50 g **plain flour**, for coating (about half clings)
- [ ] 50 g extra **virgin olive oil** (half for the onions, half for browning)
- [ ] 40 g **butter**
- [ ] 50 g **dry white wine** (half for the onions, half for the meat)
- [ ] 500 ml **hot meat stock** (brodo di carne; beef stock works)
- [ ] **fine salt**, to taste
- [ ] **black pepper**, to taste
- [ ] 1 bunch **flat-leaf parsley** (for the gremolata)
- [ ] 2 **garlic** cloves (for the gremolata)
- [ ] **Lemon zest**: grated zest of 1 unwaxed lemon (for the gremolata)

Contains: Gluten, Milk. Check labels on stock, sauces and spice mixes.

Method TIMES = THE MOMENT IN THE VIDEO

1. Heat half the oil in a wide pan and brown the onion wedges over medium-high heat for about 5 minutes. Add half the wine, cook 10 minutes more until golden, then lift them into a bowl. 0:26
2. Snip the membrane around each veal shank in 3 places with scissors so the slices stay flat while they cook. 1:13
3. Mix the flour with salt and pepper, coat the shanks on both sides and tap off the excess. 1:24
4. Add the rest of the oil and the butter to the same pan, raise the heat and brown the shanks for about 4 minutes without moving them, then turn and brown 2 minutes more. 1:52
5. Pour in the remaining wine and let it evaporate. Add hot stock to come halfway up the meat, return the onions, lower the heat, cover and simmer for 35 minutes. 2:36
6. Meanwhile make the gremolata: peel the garlic, remove the green germ, blanch it in boiling water for 2 minutes, then chop it finely with the parsley. 3:14
7. Turn the shanks over, cover again and cook for about 25 minutes more, until tender (larger shanks may need longer). 4:04
8. Take the pan off the heat, scatter over the parsley and garlic, grate the lemon zest on top and serve with the sauce. 4:47

> **Tip** Milan serves it with saffron risotto; green beans or a leafy salad keep the plate lower in carbs. The cook keeps leftovers in the fridge for no more than a day and advises against freezing. Blanching the garlic softens its bite.

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

One serve gives you 1 OF 4 · ESTIMATE

ENERGY	PROTEIN	CARBOHYDRATE	FIBRE	FAT	SODIUM
560 kcal	49 g	13 g	1.7 g	34 g	860 mg
2,340 kJ	99% of a day	12 g net · 3.4 g sugars	6% of a day	11 g saturated	37% of a day
		5% of a day		44% of a day	

Energy from net carbs 9% · protein 36% · fat 55% — very low carb (under 10% of the energy from carbs)

High in (20%+ of a day) Vitamin B12 132% · Vitamin K 112% · Zinc 81% · Selenium 67% · Vitamin B6 25% · Iron 24%

Source of (10–19%) Vitamin C 19% · Magnesium 18% · Vitamin E 18% · Omega-3 13% · Potassium 12% · Vitamin A 11% · Vitamin D 10%

Recipe and video: Giallozafferano recipes (@GialloZafferanoTV) on YouTube — youtube.com/watch?v=bVi4LC9Ufmk, published 7 December 2017. 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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