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## **Ostrich Au Poivre**

with French fries & a crème fraîche peppercorn sauce

There's nothing quite like the combo of steak, creamy pepper sauce, crispy chips, and fresh salad. Here, this classic is at its best with ostrich fillet lathered in a French-style au poivre sauce of rainbow peppercorns, garlic, and crème fraîche.

Hands-On Time: 25 minutes Overall Time: 45 minutes

Serves: 2 People

Chef: Alex Levett

삭 Easy Peasy

Steenberg Vineyards | Stately Cabernet Sauvignon/Shiraz

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Ingredients & Prep		
400g	Potato peeled (optional) & cut in skinny, 1cm thick chips	
30g	Almonds	
10ml	Rainbow Peppercorns	
5ml	Beef Stock	
30ml	Salad Dressing (20ml Willow Creek Cabernet Sauvignon Vinegar & 10ml Honey)	
100g	Cucumber sliced into half-moons	
40g	Radish rinsed & sliced into thin rounds	
40g	Green Leaves rinsed	
2	Garlic Cloves peeled & grated	
60ml	Crème Fraîche	
300g	Free-range Ostrich Fillet	
From Your Kitchen		

Oil (cooking, olive or coconut) Salt & Pepper Water Paper Towel Butter (optional) **1. CHIP! CHIP! HOORAY!** Preheat the oven to 200°C. Generously cover the base of a roasting tray with oil. Add in the potato chips, season well with salt and pepper, and toss until coated. Spread out in a single layer and roast in the hot oven for 30-35 minutes.

**2. IT'S PREP TIME** Boil the kettle. Place the almonds in a pan over a medium heat. Toast for 3-5 minutes until browned, shifting occasionally. Remove from the pan on completion and set aside. Roughly chop when cool enough to handle. Coarsely crush the peppercorns using a pestle and mortar or the back of a large, sturdy knife. Dilute the stock with 100ml of boiling water. Set the stock and peppercorns aside.

**3. ALL CRUNCHED UP** In a small bowl, whisk together the salad dressing, 2 tbsp of olive oil, and seasoning. Place the cucumber half-moons, radish rounds, rinsed green leaves, and ½ of the chopped almonds in a bowl. Toss through the dressing to taste and set aside for serving.

**4. LET'S GET SAUCY** When the chips reach the halfway mark, gently shift and drain any excess oil – lose it or reuse it! Return to the oven for the remaining time until cooked and crispy. Return the pan to a medium heat with a drizzle of oil. When hot, sauté the grated garlic and crushed peppercorns for 30-60 seconds until fragrant. Stir in the stock and simmer for 3-4 minutes until slightly reduced. Remove from the heat, whisk in the crème fraîche, and season to taste. If too thin, return to a low heat and simmer until thickened, stirring occasionally. Transfer to a bowl, cover to keep warm, and set aside for serving.

**5. THE STEAKS ARE HIGH** When the chips have 10-15 minutes remaining, wipe down the pan and return it to a medium heat with another drizzle of oil. Pat the steaks dry with paper towel. When the pan is hot, fry for 8-10 minutes, shifting and turning until browned all over and cooked to your preference. (The time frame recommended will yield a medium-rare result.) During the final 1-2 minutes, baste with a knob of butter (optional). Remove from the pan on completion and set aside to rest for 5 minutes before thinly slicing and lightly seasoning.

**6. ET VOILÀ!** Lay out the juicy slices of ostrich and smother in the creamy peppercorn sauce. Side with the crispy chips and the salad, and sprinkle over the remaining chopped almonds. You just can't beat the classics!

## **Nutritional Information**

Per 100g

Energy	531kJ
Energy	127Kcal
Protein	8.3g
Carbs	10g
of which sugars	2.7g
Fibre	1.6g
Fat	5.9g
of which saturated	2.2g
Sodium	129mg

## Allergens

Dairy, Allium, Sulphites, Tree Nuts

Cook within 4 Days