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Wagyu Meatball Marinara

with garlic-herb baguette

Indulge in the epitome of luxury, Chef! Crafted from premium wagyu beef, these succulent meatballs are simmered in a rich marinara sauce dotted with bocconcini balls. Accompanied by a golden, garlic-herb baguette, this dish is bound to elevate your dining experience to new culinary heights.

Hands-on Time: 25 minutes

Overall Time: 45 minutes

Serves: 1 Person

Chef: Morgan Offen

 Adventurous Foodie

 Vergelegen | Premium Cabernet Sauvignon / Merlot

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Ingredients & Prep

3	Free-range Wagyu Beef Meatballs
1	Onion <i>½ peeled & roughly diced</i>
15ml	Spicy Rub <i>(10ml NOMU Italian Rub & 5ml Dried Chilli Flakes)</i>
30ml	White Wine
100ml	Tomato Passata
4	Bocconcini Balls <i>drained & halved</i>
50g	Grated Mozzarella Cheese
3g	Fresh Thyme <i>rinsed, picked & roughly chopped</i>
1	Garlic Clove <i>peeled & grated</i>
1	Sourdough Baguette
3g	Fresh Oregano <i>rinsed & picked</i>

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Oil (cooking, olive or coconut)
Salt & Pepper
Water
Tinfoil
Sugar/Sweetener/Honey
Butter

1. BROWN THE MEATBALLS Preheat the oven to 200°C. Place a pan over medium heat with a drizzle of oil. When hot, fry the meatballs until browned but not cooked through, 1-2 minutes per side. Remove from the pan.

2. MAKE THE MARINARA Return the pan to medium heat with all the pan juices. Add a knob of butter. When hot, fry the diced onions until soft and browned, 3-4 minutes. Add the spicy rub and fry until fragrant, 1-2 minutes. Pour in the wine and simmer until almost evaporated, 1-2 minutes. Mix in the tomato passata, 100ml of water, and simmer until slightly reduced 5-6 minutes. Add a sweetener and seasoning. Mix through the meatballs and pour the mixture into an ovenproof dish.

3. MELTING MOMENT Top the saucy meatballs with the halved bocconcini balls, the grated mozzarella cheese, and $\frac{3}{4}$ of the chopped thyme. Pop the dish into the hot oven and roast until the cheese is melted and the meatballs are cooked through, 8-10 minutes.

4. GARLIC BREAD In a small bowl, combine the grated garlic, the remaining thyme, 20ml of oil, and seasoning. Place the baguette on a chopping board and cut 4 horizontal incisions along the top - don't cut all the way through! Smear each incision with the garlic & herb oil and wrap the baguette in tinfoil. Place on a baking tray, and pop in the hot oven. Bake until warmed through, 10-12 minutes. In the final 3-5 minutes, remove the tinfoil and bake until crisp.

5. WINNER OF A DINNER Plate up the meatballs and all the sauce, side with the garlic-herb baguette to scoop up all the deliciousness. Garnish with the picked oregano. Well done, Chef!

Nutritional Information

Per 100g

Energy	786kJ
Energy	188kcal
Protein	9.5g
Carbs	13g
of which sugars	2.7g
Fibre	1.5g
Fat	10.6g
of which saturated	5g
Sodium	258mg

Allergens

Gluten, Dairy, Allium, Wheat, Sulphites, Alcohol

Cook
within 3
Days