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Blue Cheese Polenta & Ostrich Stew

with a zesty salsa

Juicy free-range ostrich strips are added to a deliciously flavourful tomato & red wine sauce. Once all cooked together, this lusciousness is spooned over the creamiest, cheesiest polenta base, before being sprinkled with a fresh & zesty salsa.

Hands-on Time: 45 minutes

Overall Time: 55 minutes

Serves: 2 People

Chef: Kate Gomba

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Ingredients & Prep

300g	Free-range Ostrich Strips <i>pat dry with paper towel & cut into bite-sized pieces</i>
200g	Baby Marrow <i>rinse, trim & cut into bite-sized pieces</i>
1	Onion <i>peel, finely dice ¼ & roughly dice ¾</i>
1	Tomato <i>rinse & finely dice</i>
1	Bell Pepper <i>rinse, deseed, finely dice ¼ & roughly dice ¾</i>
30ml	Lime Juice
240g	Carrot <i>rinse, trim, peel & cut into bite-sized pieces</i>
20ml	NOMU Beef Rub
60ml	Red Wine
200ml	Tomato Passata
150ml	Polenta
60g	Blue Cheese <i>crumble</i>

From Your Kitchen

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

1. BROWN THE OSTRICH Place a pan over medium-high heat with a drizzle of oil. When hot, sear the ostrich until browned, 2-3 minutes (shifting occasionally). Remove from the pan, season and set aside.

2. BABY MARROW Return the pan to medium heat with a drizzle of oil (if necessary). When hot, fry the baby marrow pieces until lightly charred but still crunchy, 2-3 minutes (shifting occasionally). Remove from the pan.

3. QUICK SALSA In a bowl, combine the finely diced onion, the diced tomato, and the finely diced pepper. Add the lime juice, a drizzle of olive oil, and seasoning. Set aside.

4. START THE STEW Return the pan to medium heat with a drizzle of oil. When hot, fry the roughly diced onion, the roughly diced pepper, and the carrot pieces until lightly charred, 5-6 minutes. Add the NOMU rub, and fry until fragrant, 1-2 minutes. Mix in the wine and simmer until almost evaporated, 30-60 seconds.

5. FINISH THE STEW Pour in the tomato passata and 400ml of water. Bring to a boil and simmer until reduced and thickening, 12-15 minutes. In the final 2-3 minutes, add the charred baby marrow and the browned ostrich. Remove from the heat, add a sweetener (to taste), and season.

6. BLUE CHEESE POLENTA Bring a pot with 700ml of water to a boil. Slowly whisk in the polenta until there are no lumps. Reduce the heat and cook until the polenta is soft and creamy, 5-8 minutes (whisking often). Remove from the heat and stir through a knob of butter, the crumbled cheese, and seasoning. Loosen with a splash of warm water (if necessary).

7. SERVICE, PLEASE! Plate up the creamy polenta, top with the flavourful stew, and scatter over the zingy salsa. That's a wrap! Enjoy, Chef.

Nutritional Information

Per 100g

Energy	341kJ
Energy	82kcal
Protein	5.1g
Carbs	9g
of which sugars	2.6g
Fibre	1.6g
Fat	2.5g
of which saturated	1g
Sodium	88mg

Allergens

Allium, Sulphites, Alcohol, Cow's Milk

Eat
Within
4 Days