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**Boeuf Bourguignon** 

## Ingredients

If I oz. olive oil 2.5lb. beef chuck or shank, cubed 8 slices bacon, cubed 1 large carrot, chopped roughly 1 large onion, chopped roughly 1 celery sticks, roughly chopped 11b shallots, peeled but left whole 2 punnets small brown or button mushrooms 1 clove garlic, crushed 2 fresh thyme sprigs 2 bay leaves 3 tsp. tomato puree 1 bottle red Burgundy wine 24fl oz. beef stock Salt and pepper to taste Servings 4 Person **Preparation Time** 30 min Cooking Time 4 hr

## Preparation

- 1 Preheat the oven to 160°C
- 2 Pat the beef dry using paper towels, this will help it brown
- 3 In a casserole dish add a tablespoon of oil and brown the beef. Make sure that it is well browned on all sides. Remove the beef to one side
- 4 In the same casserole add remaining oil and brown the bacon for about 5 minutes. Add the vegetables and mushrooms and sauté them for an additional 10 minutes. Add the herbs and sauté for another 2 minutes
- 5 Over the vegetables and mushrooms pour the tomato puree and wine and bring to a boil. Boil it for about 10 minutes until it is reduced
- 6 Pour the stock in and add the meat and return to boil. Season this with salt and pepper
- 7 Cover the dish and place in the oven for 3 hours or until the meat is tender
- 8 Once cooked strain the liquid and pour it into a pan. Reduce the liquid by a third over a high heat. Add the vegetables and meat back into the sauce and heat up
- 9 Serve with mashed or boiled potatoes.

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