

Black-Pepper-Roasted Duck Breasts with Grilled Plums



Ingredients

2 teaspoons pepper black divided freshly ground
48 ounce duck breast meat - skin left on boneless trimmed
4 teaspoons thyme sprigs fresh divided chopped
1 tablespoon olive oil extra virgin extra-virgin
6 plums firm pitted ripe halved
1.5 teaspoons salt divided
0.5 teaspoon sugar

Equipment		
	bowl	
	frying pan	
	knife	
	grill	
	aluminum foil	
Directions		
	Using sharp knife, score skin of duck breasts in crisscross pattern (cut skin only; do not cut through meat), spacing cuts 1 inch apart.	
	Sprinkle duck breasts on both sides with 1 teaspoon thyme, 1 teaspoon pepper, and 1 teaspoon salt. Cover and chill.	
	Prepare barbecue (medium-high heat). Toss plum halves, olive oil, sugar, 1 teaspoon thyme, remaining 1 teaspoon pepper, and 1/2 teaspoon salt in medium bowl. Grill plum halves, cut side down, until grill marks appear and plums begin to soften, about 4 minutes. Turn plums over and grill, skin side down, until skin begins to soften but plums still retain their shape, about 4 minutes.	
	Transfer plums to bowl. Cover with foil and let stand while cooking duck.	
	Heat 2 large skillets over medium-high heat.	
	Add 2 duck breasts, skin side down, to each skillet. Cook until skin is crisp and golden, about minutes. Turn duck breasts over and cook to desired doneness, about 8 minutes longer for medium-rare.	
	Remove from heat and let duck rest 5 minutes.	
	Thinly slice duck crosswise. Divide among plates.	
	Place 2 plum halves alongside each serving.	
	Drizzle any plum juices from bowl over.	
	Sprinkle with 2 teaspoons thyme and serve.	
	A Malbec would be a great pairing for the duck. The Argentinean red wine has enough structure to stand up to the tannins in the plums. We like the fruity, floral Alamos 2006 Malbec (\$14)	

Nutrition Facts

PROTEIN 55.62% FAT 33.86% CARBS 10.52%

Properties

Glycemic Index:30.96, Glycemic Load:2.93, Inflammation Score:-9, Nutrition Score:28.112173992655%

Flavonoids

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Nutrients (% of daily need)

Calories: 334.25kcal (16.71%), Fat: 12.32g (18.95%), Saturated Fat: 3.3g (20.61%), Carbohydrates: 8.61g (2.87%), Net Carbohydrates: 7.33g (2.67%), Sugar: 6.88g (7.65%), Cholesterol: 174.63mg (58.21%), Sodium: 710.95mg (30.91%), Alcohol: Og (100%), Alcohol %: O% (100%), Protein: 45.51g (91.02%), Vitamin B12: 29.48µg (491.39%), Vitamin B6: 1.39mg (69.32%), Selenium: 45.4µg (64.85%), Vitamin B1: 0.93mg (61.8%), Iron: 10.63mg (59.08%), Phosphorus: 434.87mg (43.49%), Vitamin B2: 0.71mg (41.48%), Vitamin B3: 8.02mg (40.09%), Copper: 0.73mg (36.74%), Vitamin C: 22.47mg (27.23%), Potassium: 728.56mg (20.82%), Vitamin B5: 1.92mg (19.18%), Magnesium: 57.8mg (14.45%), Zinc: 1.69mg (11.25%), Vitamin A: 414.9IU (8.3%), Manganese: 0.14mg (7.19%), Vitamin K: 6.72µg (6.4%), Fiber: 1.28g (5.12%), Folate: 17.62µg (4.41%), Vitamin E: 0.51mg (3.43%), Calcium: 19.5mg (1.95%)