

Herb-Roasted Turkey with Apple Cider Gravy

Very Healthy







LUNCH

MAIN COURSE

MAIN DISH

DINNER

Ingredients

3 tablespoons flour
1 cup apple cider
2 tablespoons peppercorns black
2 tablespoons calvados (apple brandy)
2 cups kosher salt
8 large bay leaves fresh
3 tablespoons marjoram fresh minced

1 teaspoon rosemary leaves fresh minced

	3 tablespoons sage fresh minced
	3 tablespoons thyme sprigs fresh minced
	2 large apples i use 2 granny smith apples cored quartered
	1 teaspoon nutmeg
	4 cups chicken broth
	2 large onion quartered
	3 tablespoons parsley fresh italian minced
	16 pound turkey giblets
	0.8 cup butter unsalted room temperature ()
	8 quarts water cold
	0.5 cup whipping cream
	2 tablespoons allspice whole
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Directions

Line extra-large pot or bowl with two 13-gallon (or larger) plastic bags, 1 inside the other.
Combine 1 quart water, salt, bay leaves, peppercorns, and allspice in large saucepan. Stir over medium heat until salt dissolves.
Remove from heat.
Add 1 quart cold water and cool to lukewarm.
Pour into plastic bags; mix in remaining 6 quarts water. Wrap turkey neck and refrigerate. Submerge turkey in brine to cover completely, gathering bags tightly to eliminate any air; tie bags closed. Refrigerate turkey in brine in pot at least 18 hours and up to 20 hours.
Line large roasting pan with 4 layers of paper towels.
Remove turkey from brine and drain well; discard brine.
Place turkey in prepared pan. Cover with plastic wrap and refrigerate overnight.
Mix parsley, thyme, sage, marjoram, rosemary, and nutmeg in small bowl.
Transfer 1/4 cup herb mixture to small bowl; mix in 1/2 cup butter.
Combine broth and apple cider in heavy large saucepan. Boil until reduced to 3 cups, about 20 minutes.
Pour broth reduction into bowl. Melt remaining 1/4 cup butter in same saucepan over medium-high heat.
Add flour; stir 1 minute.
Whisk in broth reduction, then cream, Calvados, and remaining herb mixture. Bring to boil; reduce heat to medium-low and simmer until gravy base is thickened and reduced to 2 3/4 cups, whisking often, about 20 minutes. Cool gravy base slightly. (Gravy base and herb butter can be made 2 days ahead. Cover and chill.)
Position rack in bottom third of oven and preheat to 350°F.
Remove turkey from roasting pan; drain any accumulated juices from main cavity. Discard paper towels from roasting pan. Melt herb butter in small saucepan over medium heat.
Brush bottom of roasting pan with some of herb butter. Return turkey to prepared pan. Tuck wing tips under; tie legs together loosely to hold shape.
Place some apple quarters and onion quarters in main cavity.
Brush remaining herb butter over turkey; sprinkle with pepper. Scatter remaining apples and onions around turkey in pan.
Add reserved turkey neck to pan.

Nutrition Facts
Serve turkey with gravy.
Pour degreased juices into gravy base and bring to boil over medium-high heat, whisking occasionally. Boil until gravy thickens enough to coat spoon and is reduced to 3 1/2 cups, about 15 minutes. Season gravy to taste with pepper.
Pour pan juices into large glass measuring cup; spoon off fat from surface.
Discard apples, onions, and turkey neck from pan.
Transfer turkey to platter; let stand at least 30 minutes before carving (internal temperature will rise 5 to 10 degrees).
Roast turkey 1 hour. Baste with 1/2 cup apple cider. Roast turkey 30 minutes. Baste with remaining 1/2 cup cider. Roast turkey until thermometer inserted into thickest part of thigh registers 175°F, basting turkey every 30 minutes with pan juices and covering breast loosely with foil if browning too quickly, about 2 hours longer (3 1/2 hours total).

Properties

Glycemic Index:41.58, Glycemic Load:5.07, Inflammation Score:-10, Nutrition Score:70.284782699917%

PROTEIN 48.3% FAT 45.03% CARBS 6.67%

Flavonoids

Cyanidin: 0.7mg, Cyanidin: 0.7mg, Cyanidin: 0.7mg, Cyanidin: 0.7mg Peonidin: 0.01mg, Peonidin: 0.01mg,

Nutrients (% of daily need)

Calories: 1154.13kcal (57.71%), Fat: 56.18g (86.43%), Saturated Fat: 22.4g (140.02%), Carbohydrates: 18.71g (6.24%), Net Carbohydrates: 15.67g (5.7%), Sugar: 8.75g (9.72%), Cholesterol: 2466.79mg (822.26%), Sodium: 23698.43mg (1030.37%), Alcohol: 1g (100%), Alcohol %: 0.07% (100%), Protein: 135.57g (271.14%), Vitamin A: 96184.08IU (1923.68%), Vitamin B12: 94.93µg (1582.08%), Folate: 2419.2µg (604.8%), Vitamin B2: 10.22mg (601.17%), Selenium:

359.46μg (513.51%), Copper: 9.92mg (495.81%), Vitamin B3: 64.76mg (323.8%), Vitamin B5: 28.4mg (284.03%), Iron: 44.63mg (247.97%), Vitamin B6: 4.84mg (241.97%), Phosphorus: 1684.73mg (168.47%), Zinc: 23.94mg (159.61%), Manganese: 2.05mg (102.63%), Vitamin B1: 1.14mg (76.06%), Potassium: 1728.87mg (49.4%), Magnesium: 189.94mg (47.49%), Vitamin D: 6.25μg (41.68%), Vitamin K: 38.38μg (36.55%), Calcium: 236.85mg (23.69%), Vitamin E: 2.44mg (16.29%), Vitamin C: 10.91mg (13.22%), Fiber: 3.04g (12.17%)