

INGREDIENTS

To poach the salmon 1 x whole piece of salmon fillet 2 x shallots 1 x carrot 1 x leek 6 x whole Peppercorns 150 ml white wine 2 x bay leaf 2 x garlic cloves For the salad niçoise Green beans cooked

Small new potatoes cooked Anchovy fillets Baby plum tomatoes Fresh free-range eggs cooked and peeled Little gem lettuce 1 x whole shallot peeled and cut into rings Black olives

For the dressing

1 x fresh egg yolk ½ a tsp Tarragon vinegar 1 x Tsp chopped chives 1 tsp English mustard 200ml Rapeseed oil Maldon salt & Black pepper Lemon juice

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CHEF'S TABLE Shaun Rankin

Michelin Starred Chef & Wester Ross Brand Ambassador **December 2022**

Poached Salmon with Salad Niçoise

PREP 15 minutes • COOK 5 Minutes • SERVES 4

This is a fantastic pescatarian alternative to the traditional Christmas Dinner or equally suitable for a lighter lunch with family and friends if there has been overondulgence....

METHOD

To poach the salmon

- 1. Slice the carrot, shallot, leek, wash well and place into a large deep pan.
- 2. Add the white wine, peppercorns herbs and garlic.
- 3. Cover with cold water and bring to a simmer.
- 4. Carefully add the salmon fillet, leave on the heat for around 5 minutes then turn off the heat and allow the salmon to finish poaching in the liquid, which should take around a further 5 minutes.
- 5. Once cooked (firm to the touch) carefully remove from the cooking liquid onto a clean tray and place in the fridge until cold and firm.

To make the dressing

- 6. Place the egg yolk vinegar and mustard in large round bottom bowl
- 7. While whisking the ingredients together drizzle in the rapeseed oil slowly allowing it to emulsify add a touch of cold water if it starts to get too thick and continue to whisk until all of the oil is incorporated
- 8. Finish the dressing with a squeeze of lemon juice the chopped chives and season with salt and black pepper
- 9. Spoon out into a small bowl cover and place in the fridge until needed

To finish

- 10. Remove the salmon from the fridge and either break into chunks or slice carefully and place onto your serving platter.
- 11. Arrange the salad ingredients around the salmon and drizzle over the dressing.

Shaun says:

"Sharing platters are a wonderful way to make eating sociable and engaging"