Soup Stock - Brown Stock

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Yield: 3 quarts

- 3 pounds veal breast (or veal-shank or beef-shank meat), cut into threeinch pieces
- 3 pounds uncooked veal or beef bones, cracked
- 2 onionsw, quartered
- 2 stalks celery, chopped
- 2 carrots, sliced
- 3 cloves unpeeled garlic, crushed
- 8 black peppercorns
- 3 cloves
- 2 teaspoons fresh thyme OR 1/2 teaspoon dried thyme leaves 1 bay leaf

Preparation Time: 40 minutes

Preheat the oven to 425 degrees.

Place the meat, bones, onions, celery and carrot in a large roasting pan and roast them in the oven until they are well browned - about one hour.

Transfer the contents of the roasting pan to a large pot. Pour two cups of water into the roasting pan. With a spatula, scrape up the browned bits from the bottom of the pan. Pour the liquid into the pot.

Add the garlic, peppercorns and cloves. Pour in enough water to cover the contents of the pot by about three inches. Bring the liquid to a boil, then reduce the heat to maintain a simmer and skim any impurities from the surface. Add the thyme and bay leaf. Simmer the stock very gently for four hours, skimming occasionally during the process.

Strain the stock. Allow the solids to drain thoroughly into the stock before discarding them.

Degrease the stock (see note).

Start to Finish Time: 5 hours 30 minutes

Thoroughly browning the meat, bones and vegetables should produce a stock with a rich mahogany color. If your stock does not seem dark enough, cook one tablespoon of tomato paste in a small pan over medium heat, stirring constantly, until it darkens, about three minutes. Add this to the stock about one hour before the end of the cooking time.

Any combination of meat and bones may be used to make the stock. Ideally, the meat and bones together should weigh about six pounds. Ask your butcher to crack the bones.

The easiest and most effective degreasing method is to refrigerate the finished dish, then lift the congealed layer of fat from the surface. Because chilling takes time, it is ideal for soups, stews or stocks that are made ahead. To inhibit bacterial growth, a hot soup or stew should be quickly cooled to room temperature, then partially covered and refrigerated. The fat may then be removed before the dish is reheated. Stock, too, should be cooled rapidly: pour it into small containers and set them in a shallow bath of ice water. So that the stock will not sour, it should be covered and refrigerated only when it has cooled. Before transferring chilled stock to the freezer, scrape away all surface fat.

To degrease a hot dish just before fat.

serving it, use a soup ladle or large, shallow spoon too skim off as much fat as you can. Tip the pot, if need be, to pool the last bit of unwanted

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Per Serving (excluding unknown items): 140 Calories; 4g Fat (22.7% calories from fat); 3g Protein; 30g Carbohydrate; 13g Dietary Fiber; 0mg Cholesterol; 168mg Sodium. Exchanges: 1 Grain(Starch); 3 1/2 Vegetable; 1 Fat.

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| Calories (kcal): | 140 | Vitamin B6 (mg): | .5mg |
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| % Calories from Fat: | 22.7% | Vitamin B12 (mcg): | 0mcg |
| % Calories from Carbohydrates: | 69.7% | Thiamin B1 (mg): | .1mg |
| % Calories from Protein: | 7.7% | Riboflavin B2 (mg): | .1mg |
| Total Fat (g): | 4g | Folacin (mcg): | 61mcg |
| Saturated Fat (g): | 1g | Niacin (mg): | 2mg |
| Monounsaturated Fat (g): | trace | Caffeine (mg): | 0mg |
| Polyunsaturated Fat (g): | 2g | Alcohol (kcal): | 0 0.0% |
| Cholesterol (mg): | 0mg | 7. Danies | 1111-74 |
| Carbohydrate (g): | 30g | Food Exchanges | |
| Dietary Fiber (g): | 13g | Grain (Starch): | 1 |
| Protein (g): | 3g | Lean Meat: | 0 |
| Sodium (mg): | 168mg | Vegetable: | 3 1/2 |
| Potassium (mg): | 920mg | Fruit: | 0 |
| Calcium (mg): | 202mg | Non-Fat Milk: | 0 |
| Iron (mg): | 3mg | Fat: | 1 |
| Zinc (mg): | 1mg | Other Carbohydrates: | 0 |
| Vitamin C (mg): | 35mg | • | |
| Vitamin A (i.u.): | 40725IÜ | | |
| Vitamin A (r.e.): | 4071RE | | |

Nutrition Facts

| Amount Per Serving | | | |
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| Calories 140 | Calories from Fat: 32 | | |
| | % Daily Values* | | |
| Total Fat 4g Saturated Fat 1g Cholesterol 0mg Sodium 168mg Total Carbohydrates 30g Dietary Fiber 13g Protein 3g | 7% 6% 0% 7% 10% 50% | | |
| Vitamin A Vitamin C Calcium Iron | 815% 59% 20% 16% | | |

^{*} Percent Daily Values are based on a 2000 calorie diet.