Chefs A' Field Culinary Adventures That Begin on the Farm



CAMPO LINDO CHICKEN BREAST WITH FARM VEGETABLE SALAD AND SOUR CHERRIES BY CHEF DEBBIE GOLD OF 40 SARDINES RESTAURANT

whole Campo Lindo Chicken (or any chicken from a local farmer)
cup locally-grown sour cherries, remove stems
½ cups ruby port
spears asparagus, peeled
bulb onions, thinly sliced
clove garlic, minced
tablespoons roasted chicken stock
sprigs fresh thyme, pick leaves and discard stems
sprig fresh tarragon, leaves picked
¼ cup olive oil
Salt and pepper to taste

CHERRY PORT SAUCE Place sour cherries in a small sauce pot. Cover with port and let port reduce around cherries until it has a syrup consistency, about 10 minutes. Strain port from cherries and set aside.

ASPARAGUS & ONIONS Fill a 4 quart stainless steel pot with water and bring to a boil. Add 2 tablespoons kosher salt and quickly poach sliced bulb onions. Next, blanch asparagus for 7 minutes. Remove and place in an ice water bath. Remove from water and drain.

CHICKEN Remove breast from whole chicken and save the remaining chicken for another meal. Heat a small sauté pan over high heat and add 2 tablespoons olive oil. Season both sides of chicken breast with salt and pepper. Lower heat to medium and sear chicken skin side down first. Let chicken cook 4-5 minutes until the skin is golden and crispy. Turn chicken over and cook until chicken breast is thoroughly cooked.

FINISHING TOUCHES Heat another small sauté pan and add 1 tablespoon olive oil. Add garlic and sauté for 30 seconds. Add asparagus, bulb onions, and cherries. Sauté without browning for about 1 minute until vegetables and cherries are warm. Add thyme and tarragon. Season with salt and pepper.

Place reduced port in a small sauce pot and add 2-3 tablespoons of roasted chicken stock and heat. Season with salt and pepper.

TO SERVE To serve, place chicken breast on plate. Place asparagus and cherry salad next to chicken breast and drizzle with reduced port. **Courtesy of** *Chefs A' Field.*