*Laetitia Rouabah Chef de cuisine Benoit New York* 



# **Onion soup**



# **PROPORTIONS: 4 servings**

# OX COMSOMME:

- <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> lb oxtail
- <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> lb beef shoulder clod
- <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> bunch parsley
- 1 Spanish onion
- 1 tsp whole black pepper
- 1 tsp cloves
- 1/cup celery
- <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> cup carrots
- 1 garlic clove
- 1 bay leaf

## **ONION SOUP:**

- 1 Spanish onion
- 1 garlic clove
- 1 tsp whole black pepper
- 0.8 oz port wine
- 1 bay leaf
- Blended oil

#### **GARNISH SOUP:**

- <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> baguette
- 2/3 cup shredded swiss cheese
- 1/3 cup shredded gruyere
- 2/3 cup king cut gruyere

#### **DIRECTIONS:**

#### OX CONSOMME:

- 1. Wash and peel the celery, carrots and garlic.
- 2. Cut the Spanish onions crosswise, and pick one of the halves. Combine with the cloves, and cook the onions in aluminum foil on top of the stove until almost brown.
- 3. Meanwhile, put the meat in a pot stock and cover with water. When boiling, skim the stock and a bit of fat.
- 4. Add the onions and all garnish. Bring to a boil, then reduce heat and simmer for at least 3 hours.
- 5. Strain the ox consomme and reserve the broth.

#### **ONION SOUP:**

- 1. Peel onions, slicing lengthwise.
- 2. Prepare a pouch with cheesecloth for the garlic, pepper and bay leaves.
- 3. In a roast pan, cook the onion with blended oil until caramelized. Be careful not to burn the onions.
- 4. Boil the ox consommé, add it the pouch with the caramelized onions. Cook slowly, about 30 minutes.
- 5. Season with port wine, moulin a poivre and salt, if needed.

## GARNISH SOUP:

- 1. Slice the baguette in rings (about <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>-inch thick), and let it dry in the hot station.
- 2. Mix the two shredded cheeses together.
- 3. Slice the gruyere  $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch thick.
- 4. With the emporte piece, cut the cheese into rings of the cheese.

# **PRESENTATION:**

- 1. Pour the soup in a bowl, making sure the portion of onions and broth are even.
- 2. Put 3 slices of dry baguettes on top. Then add 1.5 slices of cheese ring and a small mountain of shredded cheese mix.
- 3. Broil until golden in color.

