

Back-to-Basics

How to prepare clear soups/ consommé

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Details:

1. What are clear Soups / Consommé?



- A Consommé is a clear soup made from richly flavored stock or bouillon that has been clarified usually through a fining process involving egg protein. It usually requires an advanced knowledge of cooking and past experience to create a high quality consommé. Consommé has maintained its place as one of the most highly regarded and appreciated soups in the world.
- A Consommé can also be done in a vegetarian version such as a Tomato Consommé for example.
- 2. How to prepare clear Soups / Consommé?







- Make a chicken or rich brown beef stock as per your recipe
- Add the extra vegetables (not the optional garnishes), spices and tomato to the hot stock and allow steeping (just like when making tea) for 1 hour.
- Stir the stock as little as possible using a balloon whisk gently through the liquid without breaking up or disturbing the stock ingredients
- Transfer the stock to the fridge.
- When it is at room temperature or still mildly warm, ladle the clear liquid gently into a jug or a clean saucepan without disturbing the sediment and chill it until any fat has set into solid clumps
- Remove the fat
- Prepare your ground meat and egg whites
- Add both ingredients to the cold stock and put on the stove on medium heat
- Heat up the stock slowly, do not boil the soup, it will become cloudy
- The meat and egg whites will firm and start to swim on top of your stock
- Turn down the heat until this process is finished
- Remove gently the meat-egg white mixture
- Strain the rich stock through a fine sieve and a cloth
- A very clear soup / Consommé is the result
- · Check the seasoning
- Always serve the Consommé very hot since compare to other soups a Consommé intends to cool down faster



Training Notes:

Introduce

- Yourself, the task, what Trainee will learn and how testing is conducted

Demonstrate When To Start and Materials

- Getting prepared immediately when the duty starts
- Materials: Pot, stove, listed ingredients

Demonstrate Actions

- Explain why each step is performed in a certain way.
- Explain what team members should notice when doing each step and any safety precautions

Demonstrate the Result and Task Standards

- Tools and equipments should be clean before usage

Practice

- Trainee explains each step of task during practice. Check for errors and remind Trainee to correct them immediately, Task performed independently of trainer and to standard

Test for knowledge

- Q. Why you should not boil the stock after adding ground meat/egg whites?
- A. The stock will become cloudy.
- Q. Why a Consommé should be served very hot?
- A. It cools down much faster than other soups.

Follow-up

- Task performed to standard in actual job conditions; observed by manager of dept.
- Dept. Quiz completed to 100% accuracy

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