

Chef Michael Kloeti Michael's on the Hill Restaurant Navarin of Lamb with Creamy Polenta & House Preserved Ramp Gremolata Serves 6 people

Ingredients for Lamb:

4 pounds Lamb Stew meat (shoulder or shank), small pieces

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 Carrot, medium dice
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 Celery Root, medium dice

24 each Garlic cloves, small2 cups Red Wine, dry6 cups Beef or lamb broth

1 each Herb bundle, tied with twine (3 sprigs rosemary; 10 sprigs thyme)

¼ cup Extra virgin olive oil

to taste Salt and freshly ground black pepper

4 tablespoons Mixed herbs, chopped (rosemary, thyme, parsley)

2 each Bay Leaves

Method for Lamb:

- -Season meat with salt and pepper.
- -In a hot sauté pot, sear the lamb in the olive oil until brown on all sides.
- -Add the vegetables and sauté for an additional 5-10 minutes until brown.
- -Add the herb bundle, bay leaves and red wine and cook down until wine reduces by half.
- -Add broth and bring to a boil.
- -Reduce the heat and simmer on low for 1 ½ hours or until the meat is fork tender.
- -Cool and refrigerate over night, as it will be better the next day. At this point, you can remove any solidified fat on top and discard.
- -Reheat the lamb slowly and reduce the liquid until it gets to a sauce consistency, and coats the back of a spoon nicely.
- -Season with salt and pepper to taste, add the mixed herbs and serve.

Serve over creamy polenta topped with a drizzle of ramp gremolata.

Ingredients for Gremolata:

4 ounces (15 leaves) Ramp leaves, washed
2 each Lemons, zest only
5 each Anchovy fillets
2 cups Olive oil, extra virgin

½ teaspoon Salt

To Taste Pepper, freshly ground black

Method for Gremolata:

-Put all ingredients into a food processor and blend until it is all incorporated. If you prefer, you may incorporate the ingredients by using a mortar and pestle.

Ingredients for Polenta:

2 cups Cornmeal

¼ pound Onion, chopped

4 each Garlic cloves, chopped

4 cups Milk, whole 2 cups Chicken broth

1 cup Parmesan Cheese, Reggiano

to taste Salt and freshly ground black pepper

½ cup Mixed herbs, chopped (rosemary, thyme, parsley)

2 tablespoons Butter

Method for Polenta:

- -In a thick bottomed sauce pot sauté onions and garlic in the butter until translucent.
- -Add the milk and chicken stock and bring to a boil, then turn it down to a simmer.
- -Whisk in the cornmeal and then simmer for 25 minutes, stirring constantly.
- -Add the parmesan and herbs and season to taste with salt and pepper.