Wild Striped Bass Wrapped In Serrano Ham With Asapao Sauce and Mache-Radish Salad

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Served On Spanish Style Rice

Ingredients:

6 each 4oz Fillets Wild Striped Bass 12 Thin Slices Serrano Ham

4 Tablespoons St. Helena Lemon Oil 1 Tablespoon Aged Sherry Vinegar 2 Tablespoons Fresh Thyme Leaves

2 Tablespoons Grapeseed Oil

3 Cups Spanish Style Rice (Your favorite recipe)

Method:

Preheat oven to 350 degrees

- 1. Combine Lemon Oil, Sherry Vinegar and thyme in a bowl. Pour over the fish fillets and marinate for 3 hours or more in the refrigerator, turning the fillets every 30 minutes.
- 2. Remove fish from marinade and lightly salt and pepper
- 3. Wrap the Wild Stripped Bass in Serrano Ham across around the center of each fillet and set aside.
- 4. Heat Grapeseed oil over medium heat in a non-stick sauté pan.
- 5. When oil is hot, sauté bass fillets 2 to 3 minutes on each side.
- 6. Remove the pan from the heat and place in a preheated 350° oven for approx. 8 minutes or until fillets reach desired doneness.

ASAPAO SAUCE

Sofrito Ingredients:

1 Tablespoon
1 Small
1 Each
Grapeseed Oil
Spanish Onion-diced
Piquillo Pepper-diced

3 Each Aji dulce Peppers-seeded and diced 1/4 Cup Cilantro (regular variety) leaves only

2 Cloves Garlic

2 Tablespoons Spanish Olive Oil 1 Tablespoon Spanish Paprika To Taste Salt and Pepper

Method:

- 1. Heat Grapeseed oil in a medium sized saucepan over medium heat, add diced onions, peppers, herbs, paprika, salt and pepper.
- 3. Cook over medium heat, add Spanish Olive Oil and mix thoroughly.

Sauce Ingredients:

1 Small Tomato, diced 1½Teaspoons Spanish Capers ½ Cup Tomato Sauce

3 Cups Water or Vegetable Stock

Method:

- 1. Add Tomato, Spanish Capers and Tomato sauce to the Sofrito and bring to a boil.
- 2. Add 3 cups of water (or vegetable stock) and stir to combine.
- 3. Turn up the heat and return to a boil, continually stirring.
- 4. Reduce the heat and allow the sauce to simmer, 15 minutes or until it reaches the desired consistency.

MACHE AND RADISH SALAD

Ingredients:

1 Cup Mache Leaves

3 Tablespoons St. Helena Lemon Oil

2 Each Radishes-Sliced into Thin Coins

To Taste Salt and Pepper

Method:

1. Gently toss ingredients together in a bowl and adjust seasoning.

To Serve:

- 1. Place a large spoonful of the prepared Spanish Rice in a large, shallow bowl.
- 2. Place a Wild Striped Bass Fillet over the rice.
- 3. Spoon the Asapao Sauce over the fish.
- 4. Top with the Mache-Radish Salad and serve.
- 5. Glass of Rioja Red