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Vegetable-Beef Stew

We enjoyed this hearty stew with beef, but cubed leg of lamb would work, as well. For robust Irish flavor, use Guinness Stout or another stout for the beer that's specified in the recipe.

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Yield: 4 servings (serving size: 1 1/2 cups)



Ingredients

2 teaspoons vegetable oil	1 bay leaf
1 pound beef stew meat	1/2 teaspoon salt
1 (14-ounce) can low-salt beef broth	1/4 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
1 (12-ounce) bottle beer	1/4 cup water
1 1/2 cups cubed peeled baking potato	2 tablespoons all-purpose flour
1 cup (1/2-inch) cubed peeled turnips (about 2 medium)	1 tablespoon fresh lemon juice
1 cup thinly sliced leek (about 1 large)	1 teaspoon sugar
1 cup (1/2-inch-thick) slices carrot	1/4 cup chopped fresh parsley
3 thyme sprigs	Thyme sprigs (optional)

Preparation

Heat the oil in a Dutch oven over medium-high heat. Add beef, and cook 5 minutes, browning on all sides. Add beef broth and next 9 ingredients (broth through black pepper), stirring to combine; bring to a boil. Cover, reduce heat, and simmer 45 minutes or until vegetables are tender, stirring occasionally. Discard bay leaf and thyme sprigs.

Combine 1/4 cup water, flour, lemon juice, and sugar, stirring well with a whisk. Add flour mixture to beef mixture, stirring constantly; bring to a boil. Cook 3 minutes or until slightly thick, stirring constantly. Remove from heat, and stir in parsley. Garnish with thyme sprigs, if desired.

Nutritional Information

Amount per serving

Calories: 337 Calories from fat: 30% Fat: 11.3g Saturated fat: 3.5g Monounsaturated fat: 3.9g
 Polyunsaturated fat: 2.1g Protein: 24.6g Carbohydrate: 27.5g Fiber: 3.7g Cholesterol: 55mg
 Iron: 4.4mg Sodium: 434mg Calcium: 56mg

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