

BEEF SHORT RIBS

Makes 6 servings.

This recipe was inspired by a popular Belgian dish. Short ribs freeze very well.

INGREDIENTS

- 6 short ribs, 4 inches long and 2 inches wide
- 8 garlic cloves
- 2 onions, quartered
- Small bunch thyme, leave some for garnish
- One 12-ounce bottle Belgian beer
- 1/3 cup honey mustard
- Kosher salt
- Freshly ground black pepper

PREPARATION

- 1. Preheat the oven to 400F.
- 2. Place the ribs bone side down in a roasting pan large enough to hold them in a single layer. Season lightly with salt and pepper on both sides.
- 3. Scatter the garlic, onions and thyme over the meat.
- 4. In a measuring cup combine the beer and mustard. Pour over the meat. Cover the pan with heavy foil and roast for about 2½. The ribs should be soft.
- 5. Uncover the ribs and discard the bones. Turn the meat over and roast, uncovered, for another 20 minutes. The meat should be very tender.

- 6. Remove the ribs from the pan and trim any remaining fat, if necessary.
- 7. Strain the pan juices through a medium mesh sieve set over a small saucepan pushing on the solids with the back of a ladle.
- 8. Cool a bit, then place in the freezer for about ½ an hour so that the fat can quickly rise to the top. This step makes it easier to remove all the fat.
- 9. Season the sauce with salt and pepper.
- 10. Serve with or without the sauce.

NOTE

The meat is easy to reheat. Place it in the pan with the sauce. Cover with foil and heat in a preheated 350F oven for about ½ an hour or until hot.