Turn up the flavour



It's easy to pack flavour into your weeknight meals without too much fuss. A sticky sweet chilli glaze gives pork cutlets a tangy twist, spice up dinner with a onepot carrot and chorizo soup or let chicken tacos take centre stage with a homemade hot sauce.

Valli Little, delicious.

GLAZED PORK CUTLETS WITH APPLE SLAW

Serves 4



Preparation time: 10 minutes Cooking time: 15 minutes



Skills needed: Intermediate

4 x 180g pork cutlets

1 tbsp olive oil

1/2 cup rice vinegar

1/4 cup caster sugar, plus 1 tsp extra

1 cup chicken stock

1 long red chilli, seeds removed, finely chopped

1 tbsp ginger, grated

2 garlic cloves, finely chopped

1 tbsp fish sauce

1/2 small savoy cabbage, shredded 2 carrots, grated

2 granny smith apples, cut into matchsticks

1 cup mint leaves, roughly torn

1 tbsp Dijon mustard

3/4 cup whole-egg mayonnaise Juice of 1 lemon, plus wedges to serve

Chopped peanuts, to serve

Season the pork. Heat oil in a frypan over medium-high heat. Add pork and cook for about 2-3 minutes each side until golden. Remove from the pan and set aside.

Add vinegar and 1/4 cup sugar to the pan, then cook for about 2-3 minutes until the mixture starts to caramelise.

Add stock, chilli, ginger, garlic and fish sauce, then bring to the boil. Reduce heat to medium-high and simmer for 3-4 minutes until sticky and reduced. Return the pork cutlets to the pan and cook, turning, for 1-2 minutes until well coated in the sauce.

Meanwhile, combine cabbage, carrot, apple and mint in a separate bowl. Combine the Dijon, mayonnaise, lemon juice and extra l teaspoon caster sugar, then toss with the slaw.

Divide the pork cutlets and slaw among the plates and sprinkle with peanuts. Serve with lemon wedges.

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WINE MATCH Serafino 2011 Reserve Chardonnay

\$22 The addition of the slaw to this meal doesn't hide the fact it's quite rich, creamy and complex, and that points to a wine which responds in kind, this chardonnay showing a coconut-like cream note as well which fits in well with the Asian bent to this dish.