

PEPPERCORN-CRUSTED SIRLOIN WITH SHALLOT PAN SAUCE with Roasted Asparagus and Mashed Sweet Potatoes



= HELLO --- **BLACK PEPPERCORNS**

Freshly cracked pepper adds so much more flavor than the preground spice.

















PREP: 10 MIN

TOTAL: 30 MIN

CALORIES: 740

START STRONG:

Trimming asparagus is a snap literally. Hold the spears near the bottom ends and bend until they break. They'll snap off naturally at the point where they go from tough to tender.

BUST OUT

- Peeler
- Paper towels
- Zip-close bag
- Baking sheet
- Medium pot
- Strainer
- Large pan
- Potato masher
- Small bowl
- Sugar (¼ tsp | ½ tsp)
- Olive oil (4 tsp | 8 tsp)
- Butter (3 TBSP | 6 TBSP)

INGREDIENTS

Ingredient 2-person | 4-person

Shallot

1 | 2 8 oz | 16 oz

Asparagus

2 | 4

Sweet Potatoes

Black Peppercorns 1TBSP | 1TBSP

14 oz | 28 oz

· Sirloin Steak* Sour Cream

2 TBSP | 4 TBSP

· Beef Stock Concentrate

1 | 2

* Steak is fully cooked when internal

temperature reaches 145 degrees.

WINE CLUB

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PREP Adjust rack to upper position and preheat oven to 425 degrees. Wash and dry all produce. Halve, peel, and thinly slice **shallot**. Trim woody bottom ends from asparagus. Peel sweet potatoes, then dice into ½-inch pieces. Crush **peppercorns** in a zip-close bag with a rolling pin or a heavy pan.



ROAST ASPARAGUS AND MASH SWEET POTATOES

Meanwhile, toss **asparagus** with a large drizzle of olive oil on a baking sheet. Season with salt and pepper. Roast until just tender, 7-10 minutes. Drain sweet potatoes and return to pot. Mash with sour cream and 1 TBSP butter (2 TBSP for 4 servings). Season with salt and pepper. Cover to keep warm.



COOK SWEET POTATOES AND SHALLOT

Place **sweet potatoes** in a medium pot with enough **salted water** to cover by 2 inches. Cover, bring to a boil, and cook until tender, about 10 minutes. Meanwhile, melt 1 TBSP butter (2 TBSP for 4 servings) in a large pan over medium-high heat. Add **shallot** and a pinch of **salt** and sugar; cook until browned, 5-8 minutes. TIP: If shallot browns too quickly, add 1 TBSP water to pan.



MAKE SAUCE Heat same pan over medium

heat. Return **shallot** to pan along with a pinch of remaining crushed peppercorns. Stir in stock concentrate and ¼ cup water (½ cup for 4 servings). Simmer until slightly thickened, 2-3 minutes. Turn off heat. Stir in 1 TBSP **butter** (2 TBSP for 4 servings) and any resting juices from steak.





Z COOK STEAK

Transfer **shallot** to a small bowl. Pat **steak** dry with paper towels and season all over with salt. Press 2 tsp crushed peppercorns (1 TBSP for 4 servings) into steak to form a crust. (TIP: For a milder flavor, sprinkle steak with peppercorns instead.) Heat a large drizzle of **olive oil** in pan used for shallot over mediumhigh heat. Add steak and cook to desired doneness, 3-6 minutes per side. Transfer to a plate. Wash and dry pan.



6 SERVE Slice **steak** against the grain. Divide between plates and spoon sauce on top. Serve with mashed sweet potatoes and roasted asparagus alongside.

ROUND OF APPLAUSE =

You just outdid your local steakhouse!