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Chinese Beef and Broccoli

Recipe by: Maggie Zhu Omnivores Cookbook

Serves 2-4

Ingredients-have your ingredients prepared in advance as suggested in the ingredient list.

Meat and Marinade

- 450 g (1 lb) boneless flank steak , skirt steak, or top round steak
- 1 tablespoon soy sauce
- 1 tablespoon peanut oil (or olive oil)
- 1 tablespoon cornstarch
- 1/2 teaspoon baking soda (helps for tougher cuts of meat)

Sauce

- 1/2 cup chicken stock (or beef stock)
- 2 tablespoons Shaoxing wine (or dry sherry)
- 2 tablespoons soy sauce
- 1 teaspoon dark soy sauce (reg soy sauce okay)
- 2 teaspoons brown sugar (or white sugar)
- 1 tablespoon cornstarch

Stir-fry

- 1 head broccoli, cut to bite-size florets
- 1 tablespoon peanut oil (or olive oil)
- 3 garlic cloves
- 2 teaspoons ginger

Equipment for class

Chef's knife
Cutting board
Medium bowl
Small bowl
Large saute pan with lid
Tongs



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- 450 g (1 lb) boneless flank steak , skirt steak, or other cut (*see footnote 1)
- 1 tablespoon soy sauce
- 1 tablespoon peanut oil (or vegetable oil)
- 1 tablespoon cornstarch
- 1/2 teaspoon baking soda (Optional) (*see footnote 1)

Sauce

- 1/2 cup chicken stock (or beef stock)
- 2 tablespoons Shaoxing wine (or dry sherry)
- 2 tablespoons soy sauce
- 1 teaspoon dark soy sauce (*footnote 2)
- 2 teaspoons brown sugar (or white sugar)
- 1 tablespoon cornstarch

Stir-fry

- 1 head broccoli, cut to bite-size florets
- 1 tablespoon peanut oil (or vegetable oil) (*Footnote 3)
- 3 garlic cloves, minced
- 2 teaspoons ginger, minced
- 1. Slice the beef against the grain into 0.5 cm (1/4 inch) thick slices or 1-cm (1/2 inch) sticks. Transfer to a small bowl. Add soy sauce, peanut oil, and cornstarch (*Footnote 1). Gently mix well by hand until all the slices are coated with a thin layer of sauce. Marinate for 10 minutes while preparing the other ingredients.
- 2. Combine all the ingredients for the sauce in a medium-sized bowl. Mix well.
- 3. Add 1/4 cup water into a large nonstick skillet over medium-high heat until the water begins to boil. Add the broccoli and cover. Steam until the broccoli just turns tender and the water evaporates,1 minute or so. Transfer broccoli to a plate. Wipe the pan with a paper towel held in a pair of tongs if there's any water left.
- 4. Add the oil and swirl to coat the bottom. Spread the steak in a single layer. Allow to cook without touching for 30 seconds, or until the bottom side is browned. Flip to cook the other side for a few seconds. Stir and cook until the surface is lightly charred and the inside is still pink.
- 5. Add the garlic and ginger. Stir a few times to release the flavor and fragrance.
- 6. Return the broccoli to the pan. Stir the sauce again to dissolve the cornstarch completely and pour it into the skillet. Cook and stir until the sauce thickens, about 1 minute. Transfer everything to a plate immediately. Serve hot as a main dish.