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Sample Recipe from Home Cooking with Jean-Georges: French Toast with Roasted Apples



Serves: 4

2/3 cup whole milk

2/3 cup heavy cream

1/2 cup sugar

1 large egg

1 large egg yolk

1/3 vanilla bean, split lengthwise and seeds scraped, pod reserved for another use

4 (1-inch-thick) slices brioche, preferably day-old

3 tablespoons unsalted butter, plus more for the pan

2 Golden Delicious apples, peeled, cored, and cut into eighths

Crème Anglaise, optional

Caramel Sauce, optional

Confectioners' sugar

Whisk together the milk, cream, sugar, egg, yolk, and vanilla bean seeds until the sugar dissolves. Arrange the brioche slices in a single layer in a shallow baking dish. Pour the milk-egg mixture over the bread, submerging the bread. Cover with plastic wrap and refrigerate until the bread is completely soaked and almost too soft to handle, at least 1 hour and up to overnight. When you're almost ready to serve, preheat the oven to 400°F. Generously butter a small rimmed baking sheet. Arrange the apples in a single layer. Dot the apples with 1 tablespoon of the butter. Roast until golden brown and tender, about 10 minutes.

Meanwhile, melt the remaining 2 tablespoons butter in a large ovenproof nonstick skillet over medium-low heat. When the butter foams, use both hands to very carefully transfer the soaked brioche slices to the pan. Cook until golden brown, about 5 minutes, then carefully flip. Transfer to the oven and bake alongside the apples until golden brown and puffed, about 5 minutes. Serve the French toast with the apples and the crème anglaise and caramel, if desired. Dust with confectioners' sugar.

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- "This is a terrific book, full of exactly the kinds of recipes I want from a master chef. There's no special equipment, no exotic ingredients, no long, elaborate preparations. Instead, there are creative, practical dishes that are well within the technical grasp of almost any cook."
- Russ Parsons, Los Angeles Times

About the Author

Jean-Georges Vongerichten is one of the most influential chefs in the world, having single-handedly redefined haute French cuisine, lightening and refining it by adding select Asian accents. He is the chefowner of dozens of restaurants in fourteen cities around the world. His flagship restaurant, Jean Georges, at New York's Columbus Circle, is one of six restaurants in the United States to have been awarded three coveted Michelin stars; it received four stars from the *New York Times*. The winner of multiple James Beard Foundation awards, he lives in New York City and Waccabuc, New York, with his family.

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