



Marinated Beef

Tender and tasty for fajitas!

Level: Medium

Serves: 4

Kids' Tool Kit

Cutting
board
Sharp knife
Medium glass
bowl
Plastic wrap
Measuring spoons
Measuring cups
Large skillet
Large spoons

Ingredients:

- 12 ounces beef round steak
- 1 clove garlic, minced, or ½ teaspoon garlic powder
- 2 tablespoons lemon juice
- 4 tablespoons vegetable oil, divided
- ½ teaspoon salt
- ½ teaspoon pepper





Directions:

Remember to wash your hands!

- 1. Using a cutting board and sharp knife, cut round steak across the grain into thin strips, about $\frac{1}{2}$ inch wide and 2 to 3 inches long.
- 2. In a medium glass mixing bowl, combine garlic, lemon juice, 2 tablespoons vegetable oil, salt and pepper.
- 3. Add beef strips and stir to coat with the marinade sauce. Cover bowl with plastic wrap and refrigerate about 2 hours.
- 4. In a medium skillet over medium-high heat, heat 2 tablespoons oil 1 to 2 minutes or until hot.
- 5. Drain marinade. Put beef in skillet, stir and cook 5 to 7 minutes or until meat is thoroughly browned.



Helpful Hints: Kids may need help cutting and cooking the meat in this recipe.

The acid in a marinade helps tenderize meat. If you don't have lemon juice, try substituting tomato, lime or grapefruit juice; vinegar; yogurt; milk; or buttermilk. Marinades also add flavor. Try adding herbs such as marjoram, thyme, and rosemary for more flavor variations.



Safety Tip: Don't let the oil get too hot. Remember hot oil may splatter when ingredients are added.

If you would like to use some of the marinade for basting the meat as it is cooking, set some of the marinade aside before adding it to the raw meat. The liquid left from marinating the meat should be discarded. It contains bacteria from the raw meat that can make you sick.

Chef's Choice

Marinated Beef
Flour tortilla
Sautéed onions and
green peppers
Salsa
Low fat milk



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