Chicken With Shallots

Serves 2-3

- 2-3, skin-on chicken thighs
- 1 T flour
- ½ T salt
- ½ T black pepper
- 14 g unsalted butter
- 6 to 7 whole medium shallots, peeled (cut off both ends) or use *pekorusu* or red onion wedges
- 236 ml white wine or less
- 1 T Dijon mustard
- 1 tarragon sprigs (or 1-2 tsp dried)
- 1 C cherry tomatoes, halved (149 g)





- 1. Pat the chicken thighs very dry with paper towels. Sprinkle the **flour**, **salt** and **pepper** over the chicken.
- 2. Melt the **butter** in a large, heavy-bottomed pot or skillet set over mediumhigh heat. When the butter foams, cook the chicken until well browned and crisp on all sides. Set aside.
- 3. Add the whole **shallots** to the pot and sauté them in the butter and chicken fat until they begin to soften and caramelize, **about 10 to 12 minutes**.
- 4. Add the **wine** to deglaze the pot, stir with a large spoon.
- 5. Add the **mustard** and **tarragon**, then the **chicken** thighs. Cover the pot, turn the heat to low and simmer for 30 minutes.
- 6. Remove the lid, and allow the sauce to reduce and thicken, 15 to 20 minutes.
- 7. Add the cherry **tomatoes** to the pot, stir lightly to combine and serve immediately.

Oven method

- 1. Preheat oven to 200°C.
- 2. Sauté **shallots** in **butter** in oven-proof pan over medium heat until browned.
- 3. Nestle **chicken thighs** over **shallots** (or red onions), skin side up (no flour needed).
- 4. Whisk **mustard** with **120 ml dry vermouth**, whisk in 2-3 sprigs **tarragon**, chopped, with stems. Pour mixture over thighs, tilting pan to distribute sauce.
- 5. Bake 30 mins; remove to baste and add whole cherry tomatoes.
- 6. Bake 20 min or so until chicken is browned and tomatoes are wrinkled.