# Roasted Pork & Braised Cabbage with Barley & Glazed Apples Tonight's recipe borrows from a favorite culinary tradition of Eastern Europe: pairing a hearty pork roast with sweet apples and red cabbage. To bring out the flavor of Junami apples (a particularly juicy, crisp variety), we're glazing them and seasoning them with cinnamon-a classic touch. And as a base for our vibrant red cabbage, we're cooking brown sugar with a bit of vinegar and water to make a delicious sweet and sour glaze. Blue Apron Wine Pairings Medel Pinot Noir, 2015



# **Ingredients**

- 1 Pork Roast
- 1 Cup Pearled Barley
- 2 Junami Apples
- 1 Red Onion
- 3/4 Pound Red Cabbage

### **Knick Knacks**

- 2 Tablespoons Butter
- 2 Tablespoons Light Brown Sugar
- 2 Tablespoons Red Wine Vinegar
- 1/4 Teaspoon Ground Cinnamon

Makes: 4 servings

Prep Time: 10 minutes | Cook Time: 35-45 minutes



#### Sear & roast the pork:

Preheat the oven to 450°F. Heat a medium pot of salted water to boiling on high. Pat the **pork** dry with paper towels; season all sides with salt and pepper. In a large, high-sided pan, heat 1 tablespoon of olive oil on medium-high until hot. Add the seasoned pork. Cook, turning occasionally, 6 to 8 minutes, or until browned on all sides. Leaving any browned bits (or fond) in the pan, transfer to a foil-lined sheet pan. Roast 26 to 28 minutes, or until cooked through. (An instant-read thermometer inserted into the pork should register 145°F.) Transfer to a cutting board; let rest for at least 5 minutes.



#### Cook the barley:

While the pork sears, add the **barley** to the pot of boiling water. Cook, uncovered, 25 to 27 minutes, or until tender. Drain thoroughly and return to the pot. Off the heat, add **half the butter**. Stir to thoroughly combine; season with salt and pepper to taste. Set aside in a warm place.



## Prepare the ingredients:

While the barley cooks, wash and dry the fresh produce. Peel, core and medium dice the apples. Peel and thinly slice the onion. Cut out and discard the cabbage core; thinly slice the leaves.



#### Glaze the apples:

Heat the pan of reserved fond on medium-high until hot. Add the **apples**; season with salt and pepper. Cook, stirring occasionally and scraping up any fond, 5 to 6 minutes, or until slightly softened. Add the **cinnamon** and ¼ **of the sugar**. Cook, stirring frequently, 30 seconds to 1 minute, or until well combined. Add ½ **cup of water**. Cook, stirring frequently, 6 to 7 minutes, or until cooked off. Stir in ¼ **of the vinegar**; season with salt and pepper. Turn off the heat. Transfer to a serving dish. Rinse and wipe out the pan.



# Braise the cabbage:

In the same pan, combine the **remaining sugar and vinegar** and ¼ **cup of water**. Heat on medium-high until the sugar has melted. Add the **onion** and **remaining butter**; season with salt and pepper. Cook, stirring occasionally, 3 to 4 minutes, or until slightly softened. Add the **cabbage**. Cook, covering with foil, 9 to 10 minutes, or until softened. Season with salt and pepper to taste. Remove from heat.



# Finish & serve your dish:

Find the lines of muscle (or grain) of the **rested pork**; thinly slice crosswise against the grain. Add any juices from the cutting board to the serving dish of **glazed apples**; stir to thoroughly combine. Transfer the **cooked barley** to a serving dish; top with the **braised cabbage** and sliced pork. Serve with the glazed apples on the side. Enjoy!