



# SHORT RIBS









SIMMERING



#### COMMON NAMES: Braising Ribs

MUSCLE COMPOSITION: Consists of the Serratus ventralis, Latissimus dorsi, Intercostales externus and internus and may include ribs 6 thru 12.

#### POINTS REQUIRING SPECIFICATION:

Surface fat not to exceed 1/4" (6 mm)
Purchaser can specify number of ribs and the rib length required

#### CHARACTERISTICS Highly marbled

- Extremely tender and rich in flavour, which is best achieved through slow cooking and/or marinating
- Very popular for braising
- Depending on cooking method, pre-trimming is an important consideration for selecting

The short rib plate is separated from the carcass during the creation of the rib sub-primal, and may include ribs 6 thru 12. Trimming involves removing the first layer of lean and fat from the short rib. Slicing the short rib into thin strips results in the Korean-style short rib cut.

#### HANDLING

- When trimming, strips are sliced across the bone from 1.75 2" (40 50 mm)
- Slow cooking works well for short ribs, as much of the fat will be cooked off
- · For marinating and grilling, use the sliced, bone-in (Korean-style) short ribs
- · When braising, sear short ribs with garlic and other seasonings; then deglaze, add wine and stock until ribs are partially covered; cover pot and cook in a slow oven, or on a low setting on stovetop
- For Korean-styled short ribs, as either a delicious appetizer or component of a main dish, marinate in a soy-based marinade, and then grill at high heat

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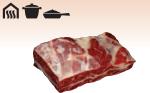
**BEEF SHORT RIBS** 

#### **CLASSIC CUTS**



BEEF SHORT PLATE, SHORT RIBS

Consists of 6th, 7th, 8th ribs of the short rib plate. The *serratus ventralis* is continuous across the cut surface for at least 2 ribs on both the ventral and dorsal sides and the exterior fat cover and the first layer of lean (*latissimus dorsi*) removed.



BEEF SHORT RIB, TRIMMED

Consists of 6th, 7th, 8th ribs of the short rib plate. The s*erratus ventralis* is exposed and continuous for at least 2 ribs on one side only and the exterior fat cover and the first layer of lean (latissimus dorsi) removed. This item shall be trimmed practically free of surface fat.



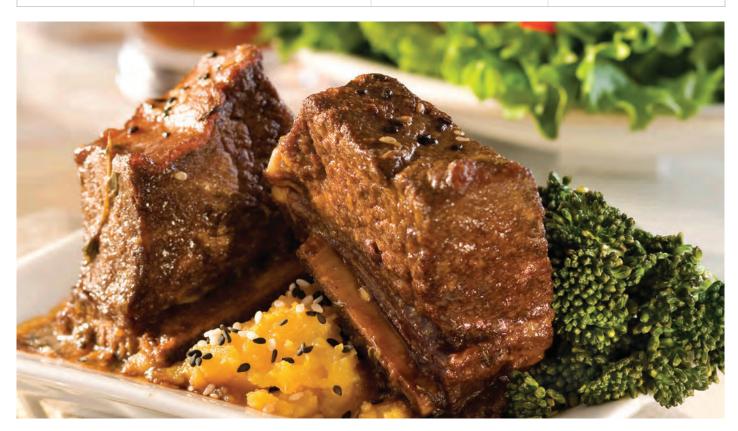
SHORT RIB, SLICED, BONE-IN (KOREAN - STYLE)

This cut utilizes the trimmed short rib and is



BEEF SHORT RIB, BONELESS

Consists of the *serratus ventralis* muscle from any short rib item. The rib bones and intercostal meat are excluded.





## Menu Ideas

Juicy and delicious, short ribs are featured on many menus today in new and interesting ways.

Here are some ideas for interesting ways to serve short ribs:

Tuscan-style Short Ribs – A take off on the traditional osso bucco, use short ribs that have been trimmed to expose the bone. The ribs are seared in olive oil and garlic and then slow cooked in red wine and beef or veal stock. Flavour with rosemary, garlic and other traditional herbs. Serve on polenta or garlic mashed potatoes.

Asian BBQ'd Short Ribs – A new classic–marinate the ribs in soy sauce, brown sugar and rice wine then braise in an Asian-style BBQ sauce flavoured with ginger and lemon. Serve on jasmine rice or Shanghai noodles. Garnish with green onions, cilantro and chilies.

Irish Short Rib Stew – A hearty pub-style dish that uses short ribs to create a flavourful Irish stew. The 2x2 short ribs are dusted with seasoned flour, seared and then deglazed with red wine and beef stock. Add root vegetables, herbs and small baby potatoes and simmer until the beef is tender. Finish the sauce with pearl onions and Irish-style stout for colour and flavour. Serve with traditional Irish soda bread.

BBQ'd Korean Short Ribs – Marinate Korean-style short ribs in soy sauce, brown sugar, ginger and chili paste for 24 hrs. Grill to order, brushing with a teriyaki glaze until medium rare. Serve on a platter with crispy fried noodles and Korean pickled yegetables.

### Sweet and Spicy Thai-Style Short Ribs

#### Ingredients

20 x 140 g thin-cut (Korean-style), short ribs 20 x 5 oz 310 ml 1 1/4 cups lime juice 2 tbsp 30 mL lime zest, grated 3/4 cup 190 mL brown sugar, packed 1 1/4 cups 310 mL soy sauce 3/4 cup 190 mL vegetable oil 2 tbsp 30 mL sambel olek (hot chili sauce) ginger, freshly grated 2 tbsp 30 mL 10 to 12 garlic cloves, crushed 3 cups 750 mL sweet Asian-style chili sauce 1/2 cup 125 mL toasted sesame seeds

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## Method

1. Place the short ribs, slightly overlapping them, in a 2" (5 cm) deep hotel pan. Whisk together ingredients 2 to 9 in a bowl. Pour mixture over the short ribs. Turn short ribs to coat on all sides with the marinade. Cover and marinate in the refrigerator for 24 – 48 hours (the longer you marinate the more tender the short ribs become), turning occasionally.

cilantro sprigs

- 2. Place the sweet chili sauce in a pot and warm over low heat.
- 3. Grill the short ribs over medium-high heat until nicely coloured and just cooked through.
- Divide short ribs among plates. Generously brush or spoon sweet chili sauce over them. Sprinkle with sesame seeds, garnish with cilantro and serve.
- Complete this meal with Asian-style noodles tossed with a mix of stir-fried vegetables, such as garlic, ginger, bean sprouts, green onions, cilantro, carrots, celery and bell pepper.

Recipe serves 10

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