

Top Sirloin Roast with Gorgonzola Topping & Balsamic-Cranberry Sauce

Prep: 30 minutes plus standing Bake: 55 minutes • Serves: 8

Top Sirloin Roast

- 1 teaspoon salt
- 3/4 teaspoon ground black pepper
- ½ teaspoon garlic powder
- 1 (3-pound) top sirloin roast, trimmed
- 2 tablespoons olive oil

Gorgonzola Topping

- 2 tablespoons unsalted butter
- 1 cup panko breadcrumbs
- 1 container (4 to 5 ounces) crumbled Gorgonzola cheese
- 1½ tablespoons chopped fresh chives (optional)

Balsamic-Cranberry Sauce

- 1 can (14 ounces) less-sodium beef broth (1¾ cups)
- 34 cup balsamic vinegar
- ½ cup honey
- 1 tablespoon cold water
- 1 tablespoon cornstarch
- 1 cup dried cranberries

- **1.** Prepare Top Sirloin Roast: Place large shallow roasting pan in oven. Preheat oven to 400°. In small bowl, combine salt, pepper and garlic powder. Coat all sides of beef with oil, then coat with salt mixture.
- **2.** Place beef in preheated pan and roast 55 to 60 minutes or until internal temperature reaches 130° for medium-rare, turning once halfway through cooking. Transfer beef to cutting board and loosely cover with foil. Let stand 15 minutes before slicing. (Internal temperature will rise to 135° upon standing.)
- **3.** Meanwhile, prepare Gorgonzola Topping: In small skillet, melt butter over medium-low heat. Add breadcrumbs and cook for 5 to 7 minutes or until breadcrumbs are deep golden brown, stirring occasionally. Transfer to small bowl. Fold in Gorgonzola and chives, if desired, just before serving.
- **4.** Prepare Balsamic-Cranberry Sauce: Remove and discard excess fat from roasting pan. Add broth, vinegar and honey to drippings in roasting pan and cook over medium-high heat 10 minutes, stirring occasionally. In small bowl, combine water and cornstarch. Add cornstarch mixture to simmering liquid; heat to boiling and remove from heat. Strain sauce through fine-mesh strainer; stir in cranberries and let stand 5 minutes.
- **5.** Slice beef into ¼-inch-thick slices; spoon sauce over beef and sprinkle with topping to serve.

Approximate nutritional values per serving: 503 Calories, 25g Fat (12g Saturated), 115mg Cholesterol, 693mg Sodium, 33g Carbohydrates, 1g Fiber, 31g Protein