

## **JERNEJ KITCHEN**

# BASIC CHEESE SAUCE

Basic cheese sauce, made in just 15 minutes. Perfect for pasta, gnocchi, tortilla chips, vegetables. Rich in flavor and quick to make.

FOR 600 G (21.1 OZ)

PREPARATION: 5 MINUTES

COOK: 10 MINUTES TOTAL TIME: 15 MINUTES

### BASIC CHEESE SAUCE

30 g butter (1 oz)

30 g all-purpose flour (1 oz)

300 ml milk (10.5 oz)

50 ml dry white wine or Vermouth (1.8 oz)

1 bay leaf

50 g Gauda cheese, grated (1.8 oz)

50 g Cheddar cheese, grated (1.8 oz)

#### TOOLS AND EQUIPEMENT

saucepan whisk jar

#### MAKE WHITE ROUX

Add butter to a saucepan and place over low heat. Add the flour and 1/4 tsp of ground black pepper. Cook for about 3 minutes over low heat, mixing constantly with a whisk. The butter and flour mixture must remain white. In a jug, combine milk and white wine.

### MAKE WHITE ROUX

Mix 1/4 of the liquid (milk and white wine mixture) into the flour mixture. Mix vigorously until you get a nice, smooth, thick mixture, then gradually pour in the rest of the liquid, whisking constantly. Add the bay leaf, increase the heat and bring to a light boil, still whisking constantly.

#### ADD THE CHEESE

After about 5 minutes of cooking, remove the saucepan from the heat. Remove them bay leaf and stir in the grated Gauda and Cheddar cheese. Mix very well to get a nice, silky sauce. Season to taste and optionally add a pinch of nutmeg.

#### **USAGE AND STORAGE**

This simple, basic cheese sauce can be used right away in different sauces or for tips, gratin, burgers, sandwiches or you can store it in an airtight container in a fridge for up to 4 days.