

HOSPITALITY STUDIES

GRADE 11

TERM 2 WEEK 7

SAUCES NOTES

This document consists of 10 pages.

CLASSIFICATION

- Sauces are hot or cold flavoured liquids that have been thickened and seasoned and add the final touch to dishes.
- Sauces are classified into 5 Mother / main sauces.
- Each Mother sauce has Daughter or small sauces that are derived from the Mother sauce (flavourings/ seasonings are added to the mother sauce to form a daughter sauce)
- Not all sauces fall under these traditional classifications though.
- Some sauces use purées of fruit and vegetables as their base (coulis)
- Other sauces include: salsas, flavoured butters and oils, oil-based sauces, and sweet sauces (chocolate / custards / cream)

	MOTHER / MAIN SAUCE	BASIC INGREDIENTS	SMALL / DAUGHTER SAUCES
1	Brown sauce	Brown stock or demi-glace	Chasseur
	(Espagnole)		Bordelaise
			Sauce Robert
			Sauce Colbert
2	White sauce	Milk and roux	Sauce Mornay
	(Béchamel)		Sauce Persil
			Sauce Aurora
3	Velouté	Chicken stock and roux	Sauce Supreme
			Allemande Sauce
		Fish stock and roux	Sauce vin Blanc
4	Butter sauces	Butter and egg	Hollandaise
			Béarnaise
5	Oil-based sauces	Oils	Tartare sauce
	(mayonnaise and		Remoulade
	vinaigrettes)		Salsa Verde
6	Special sauces		Curry sauces
	(Hot or cold)		Bread sauces
			Apple sauce
			Tomato sauce
			Mint sauce
			Horseradish sauce

TYPES OF SAUCES

HOT SAUCES

(1) Hot white sauces:

- **Béchame**/ roux and milk
- Velouté roux and white stock



(2) Hot Brown sauces:

- **Espagnol**e original brown sauce made with brown stock, mirepoix and tomatoes. Thickened with a brown roux. Used to make demi-glace.
- Jus-roti unthickened gravy made from roasted meat juices
- Jus-lie brown stock is thickened with cornflour
- Demi-glace mixture of ½ brown stock and ½ brown sauce reduced by half



(3) Hot emulsified sauces:

• *Hollandaise* – emulsified sauce made from melted butter, egg yolks and flavourings



(4) Other sauces:

- **Tomato sauce** tomatoes, onions, vegetables, seasoning and white stock. Can be thickened with a roux.
- Curry sauce (Sauce indienne)- chopped, seeded tomatoes, spices, curry and seasoning is added to a thin Béchamel sauce. Served with eggs, fish and vegetables.



- (a) *Mayonnaise* thick creamy sauce made from oil and vinegar. Egg yolks are used as an emulsifying agent.
- (b) **Vinaigrette** temporary emulsion of oil and vinegar (3 oil: 1 vinegar). Seasoned with herbs, Dijon mustard, salt and pepper



Mayonnaise



Vinaigrette

SWEET SAUCES

- (a) *Egg custard* liquid (milk) thickened by the coagulation of egg proteins. Vanilla custard = crème anglaise
- (b) Caramel sauce mixture of caramelized sugar and cream
- (c) Chocolate sauce finely chopped / grated chocolate is added to warm vanilla custard. A dark syrup can be made by using cocoa powder or unsweetened chocolate
- (d) *Apple sauce* fruit pulp and a sweetener. Used as a condiment and served cold.



COMPOUND BUTTER SAUCES

- Made by mixing various seasonings into softened butter
- *Parsley butter* (**maitre d'hôtel butter**) is placed on grilled steak or chicken. It melts to form a sauce.
- Store in the fridge for 3 days or freeze for a couple of months



(1) <u>Dehydrated convenience sauces:</u>

- Bisto meat flavoured gravy powder. Gives taste and aroma
- Available in granulated and powdered form
- Saves time/ money and labour



THICKENING METHODS

	THICKENING AGENTS				
1	Roux	 Equal amounts of butter and flour melted together Can be white, blond or brown Liquid is then added and stirred 			
1	Beurre manie	 Equal amounts of butter and flour kneaded together It is whisked into the boiling liquid 			
3	Cornflour (Maizena)	A paste is made from cornflour and water.The paste is whisked into boiling liquid			
4	Arrowroot From the roots of a tropical plant Use as for cornflour Mixture is more stable and clearer THICKENING PROCESSES				
1	Liason	 Mixture of egg yolk and cream Enriches the sauce, while making it smooth and thick Shock the mixture first with some of the hot liquid, and then add to the pot (to prevent the egg curdling) 			
2	Purée	Puréed fruit or vegetables can be added to a sauce			
3	Reduction	 Process of thickening a sauce by evaporation. The remaining liquid is concentrated, thicker and flavourful 			





PREPARATION METHODS

(1) Béchamel and Velouté sauces:

- Made with roux and milk (béchamel) or white stock (velouté)
- Should be rich, creamy and smooth
- The thickness depends on the ratio of roux to liquid and the use of the sauce.

	Uses	Ratio of Flour: Butter: Liquid
Thin	Base for cream soups	15ml : 15ml : 250ml
Medium	To serve as a sauce	25ml : 25ml : 250ml
Thick	As the base of a dish (pies,	50ml : 50ml : 250ml
	savoury tarts and soufflés)	

(2) Demi-Glace:

- Equal quantities of Espagnole sauce and brown stock are reduced to half their volume
- Rich flavour and thickish consistency
- Used as a bases for sauces e.g. Bordelaise, Chasseur and Robert

(3) Meat Sauces:

- a) **Jus-roti** Thin meat sauce made from juice of browned bones and meat, which is simmered with stock and browned with mirepoix
- b) Jus-lie Tomato paste is added to jus-roti and thickened with cornflour

(4) Hollandaise Sauce:

- Made by beating egg yolks and a vinegar reduction over a moderate heat until the eggs coagulate and start to thicken.
- Clarified butter is then beaten slowly into the egg mixture.

If it splits or curdles, it can be corrected by:

- (a) Pouring 5ml of boiling water into a bowl. Beat the curdled sauce into the water, bit by bit.
- (b) Beating an egg yolk and 15ml water over moderate heat until mixture starts to thicken and forms a new base for the sauce. Remove from heat and beat the curdled sauce in, little by little.

(5) <u>Mayonnaise:</u>

- Beat egg yolks and flavourings together.
- Beat in the oil, drop by drop, until thick and creamy.
- It will curdle if the oil is added too quickly, it is not beaten enough or the yolks are too cold.

To correct it:

(a) Pour 5 ml boiling water into a bowl and gradually beat the curdled mixture into it.

(b) Beat 1 yolk and 5 ml water together and beat in the curdled sauce slowly

CHARACTERISTICS OF A GOOD SAUCE

- Light texture
- Glossy appearance
- Definite taste
- Smooth
- No lumps
- Complement the food it's served with
- It should not dominate or disguise the taste of the food

USES OF SAUCES

- Sauces add contrasting flavour and texture and made the dish appealing.
- Classically paired with certain foods, and adds complementary flavours
- Adds moisture to foods
- Improves appearance of dish by adding colour and makes it glossy
- Some sauces garnish and add texture to the finished dish
- Can be used as a soup base, or to bind pastas and stews
- There should be enough sauce for every bite of the sauced food, but not too much that the food drowns in the sauce.

Guidelines: 25 -50ml per person, depending on the dish

Salsa: Cold, chunky mixture of fresh herbs, spices, fruits and vegetables. Used as a sauce for meat, poultry, fish or shellfish.

Mint sauce: Made with finely chopped mint leaves, sugar and vinegar.

Served with Roast Lamb.

Horseradish Sauce: Made from finely grated horseradish root, vinegar and cream. Served with Roast Beef.