Garlic Thyme Pork Chops

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Ingredients

- ¹/₂ tsp sugar
- 1/2 tsp kosher salt
- 2-4 bone-in pork chops (3/4-1" thick)
- 4 TBSP butter
- 5-6 cloves garlic
- 3 TBSP apple cider vinegar
- 2 TBSP chopped fresh thyme
- 1/2 tsp fresh cracked black pepper
- 2 TBSP canola or olive oil



Instructions

- 1. To cure the pork chops: mix together the sugar & salt. Rub mixture all over pork chops and place into zip lock baggie. Refrigerate for at least one hour (or as long as 4 hours).
- 2. Marinade: Melt 4 TBSP butter in small saucepan. Add the garlic and cook until fragrant, but not brown.
- 3. Add vinegar, thyme, and pepper. Remove from heat.
- 4. In an oven proof skillet (I used cast iron), heat the canola oil over high heat. Place pork chops into hot pan and sear until golden brown (approx. 3 minutes per side).
- 5. Remove pan from heat.
- Generously baste the chops with the butter/garlic/thyme mixture and place into preheated 375* oven. Cook for 6-10 minutes or until internal temp reaches 140-145* (in thickest part of chop). Do not overcook.
- 7. Before serving, top with a little fresh chopped thyme.