## MUSHROOM STOCK





## **Ingredients (yelds 2 litres:**

1 tbsp olive oil

1 medium carrot, large dice

1 medium leek, halved lengthwise, rinsed, and

sliced crosswise into 1-inch pieces, white and pale green parts only

1 medium yellow onion, large dice

6 medium garlic cloves

1 kg medium white button mushrooms, stems trimmed and quartered

8 Italian parsley sprigs

6 thyme sprigs

1 bay leaf

2 tsp whole black peppercorns

12 cups water

1/4 tsp salt

## **Preparations:**

- 1. Heat the oil in a large pot over medium-high heat until shimmering.
- 2. Add the carrot, leek, and onion and cook, stirring occasionally, until the onions and leeks have softened, about 8 minutes.
- 3. Add the garlic and cook, stirring occasionally, until fragrant, about 1 minute.
- 4. Add the mushrooms, parsley, thyme, bay leaf, and peppercorns and cook, stirring occasionally, until the mushrooms start to release some moisture, about 4 minutes.
- 5. Add the water and bring to a boil.
- 6. Reduce the heat to low and simmer until the vegetables are completely soft and the stock has a pronounced mushroom flavor, about 1 hour.

- 7. Remove from the heat and strain through a fine-mesh strainer set over a large heatproof container or saucepan.
- 8. Discard the contents of the strainer.
- 9. Stir in the salt. If not using immediately, let cool to room temperature, then refrigerate for up to 3 days or freeze for up to 1 month.