Pears Poached in Red Wine

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Yield: 6 servings

3 firm ripe pears, peeled, halved, cored

2 cups dry red wine

1 cup apple cider

½ cup brown sugar

1-2 cinnamon sticks

1 Tablespoon whole allspice

2" length fresh ginger, cut into coins

1-2 Tablespoon whole black pepper, optional

Method:

Combine all ingredients. Bring to a simmer. Cover. Stir occasionally. Cook until tender. Remove from poaching liquid. Chill.

Serving suggestions: Great salad topping, can be served warm over ice cream or drizzle with crème anglais.