# **Dinner Parties for Eight**

#### Menu 1

Arugula and fennel salad with shaved parmesan Herb-crusted rack of lamb with fresh mint relish Wild rice pilaf with 'confetti' vegetables Crème brulee

#### Menu 2

Mixed greens & grape tomatoes with balsamic vinaigrette
Pan-seared pork chop with mushrooms and Marsala
Creamy parmesan polenta
Upside-down caramelized apple tart with vanilla bean ice cream

#### Menu 3

Fennel and frisée salad with oranges and dried cranberries
Pan-roasted salmon with red wine, red onion butter & thyme
Potato and celeriac puree
Asparagus tips or haricots verts
Chocolate pots de crème

#### Menu 4

Haricots verts with creamy balsamic vinaigrette, frisée & tomatoes Roast Cornish game hens with vinegar and tarragon jus Roasted garlic mashed potatoes Chocolate pots de crème

#### Menu 5

Mixed greens with Dijon mustard vinaigrette
Braised lamb shanks with red wine and fresh herbs
White bean gratin
Garlicky braised kale
Upside-down caramelized pear tart with whipped cream

## Menu 6

Leek and watercress soup
Roasted pork loin with apples and brandied pan jus with thyme
Whipped sweet potatoes
Haricots verts with shallots
Bittersweet chocolate truffle cake with vanilla bean ice cream

### Menu 7

Chickpea cakes with cucumber-yogurt & mixed greens
Provencal chicken stew with leeks, fennel, tomatoes & Pernod
Rouille with garlic toasts
French butter cake with fresh berries & lightly whipped cream