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I was planning a nice lazy day all to myself with a roast pork joint, lots of books and Xmas telly all snuggled up with cats and dogs. Sheer heaven. My son's Italian partners mother and sisters were coming from Italy to spend the Xmas break with them and I thought I'd let them have an nice time together. That plus I really like to be alone. So I get a call the other day to find out that my son will be working xmas day and his partner cannot cook English food very well. I somehow found myself offering to come over on the day and cook a traditional English Xmas dinner. The thing is, because I wasn't planning on a turkey, I didn't rear one. Luckily my local auction house have an annual sale of deadstock so I wrapped up well and went out to see what I could get. Not many birds but a good selection of norfolk black and standard white turkeys, also geese, ducks, pheasants, partridges and chickens. I bagged a nice oven ready turkey free ranged and weighing 7 kilos for £28. Not bad at all. Drove the 8 miles home at 25 mph because of the very thick fog and left the bird in my car which, I'm sure, is colder than my 'fridge. Brrrr

Everything will have to be planned meticulously because the reputation of English traditional food is at stake. I'm cooking for my country on Xmas day :0)

I wonder what they'll make of stuffing and yorkshire pudding lol. Yes I know I know, yorkshire pudding for beef, but I love it so we'll be having it with turkey. I have the fat bacon for the breast, we'll have carrots and brocolli, cranberry sauce, mashed and roast potatoes and lashings of thick onion gravy with a sherry trifle for afters since none of us likes Xmas pudding. And in case there is a little corner of anyones appetite left, I have a nice xmas cake too.

Merry Christmas/Buono natale

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