



Lamb shoulder with Harira, slow roasted grapes and crispy chickpeas

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25 minutes Preparation Time

2 hours 20 minutes Cooking Time

6 serves Serves

INGREDIENTS

Lamb

600 g piece lamb shoulder, deboned 1 tsp salt flakes 350 ml olive oil 1 cinnamon stick, broken 2 black cardamom pods, lightly cracked 2 tsp black pepper, lightly cracked 2 fresh bay leaves 30 red seedless grapes

Harira

stock

125 ml olive oil 4 brown onions, sliced 2 sticks celery, diced 1 1/2 tsp salt flakes 1 tsp black peppercorns 4 garlic cloves 2 cm piece fresh turmeric 1 long red chilli, sliced into strips 1/2 tsp ground cinnamon 1/2 tsp ground ginger Pinch of saffron 70 g (1/3 cup) lentils du Puy 45 g (¼ cup) black rice 200 g tomato passata 1 litre chicken or vegetable

Chickpeas 400 g can chickpeas, drained and rinsed 1 tbsp olive oil

Salt flakes, to taste

To serve

60 g (¼ cup) cultured butter, room temperature ¼ cup celery leaves, preferably taken from the heart ½ cup flat leaf parsley leaves ½ cup coriander leaves

METHOD

Lamb

- 1. Season the lamb with salt flakes and place into a small saucepan. Pour the olive oil over the lamb, add the cinnamon stick, black cardamom, black pepper and bay leaves. Cover with a round of grease proof paper / cartouche the same size as the pan and fit with a lid.
- 2. Place on medium heat, induction setting 6 for 5 minutes to warm through. Transfer into the oven on shelf level 2 and cook on Fan Plus at 120°C for 2 hours, or until the lamb is tender.
- 3. Arrange the grapes on a baking tray. When the lamb has been cooking for 1 hour, add the grapes to the oven and cook with the lamb for the final hour.
- 4. Allow the lamb to cool in the oil. Once the lamb is cool, remove and discard the oil and aromatics.
- 5. Separate the meat from the fat in large pieces and reserve until required.

Harira

- Place the olive oil, onions, celery and 1 tsp of salt into a large saucepan. Cover with a lid and cook on medium-high heat, induction setting 7 for 3 minutes. Reduce to medium heat, induction setting 5 and cook for 25 minutes, stirring often.
- 2. In a mortar and pestle (or electric spice grinder) crush the remaining salt and black peppercorns. Add the garlic, turmeric and chilli. Pound to a fine paste. Stir in the cinnamon, ginger and saffron.
- 3. Add the paste to the onions and cook for 3 minutes, stirring continuously.
- 4. Add the lentils, black rice, tomato passata and stock. Bring to a simmer over high heat, induction setting 9. Reduce to medium heat, induction setting 6 and simmer, with the lid off, for 40 minutes.

Chickpeas

- 1. Gently dry the chickpeas in a tea towel, removing skins if desired. Transfer onto a universal tray and toss with olive oil and salt.
- 2. Place in a cold oven on shelf level 2. Select Fan Plus at 200°C with Crisp function activated and bake for 20-25 minutes, or until golden and crunchy.

To serve

- 1. Heat a large frying pan on medium-high heat, induction setting 7. Spread the lamb evenly over the pan and cook, untouched, for 4 minutes, or until crispy and brown.
- 2. Carefully turn the lamb and cook for a further 4 minutes. Remove from the heat and season with salt flakes.
- 3. Warm the Harira over medium-low heat, induction setting 4 and stir in the cultured butter. Spoon into warm serving bowls and scatter over the lamb, grapes and chickpeas. Garnish with the celery leaves and fresh herbs.

Hints and tips

- Sustainability tip the smaller the saucepan the lamb is cooked in, the less oil is needed to cover it.
- Lamb shoulder chops can be used to minimise waste.
- Warm the serving bowls in the warming drawer or oven set to 'heat crockery' if desired.