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TAGINE RECIPES





Tagine cooking allows you to prepare fresh and flavoursome foods and serve exciting and exotic dishes. The Tagine is ideally cooked on the stovetop, in an oven at 160°C or on a gas cooker such as the gas burner on the side of a BBQ. We have prepared a few easy recipes to get you started.

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Tagines are cooking vessels commonly used in hot North African countries like Morocco, Tunisia and Algeria, which consist of a plate-like cooking base with a conical shaped lid. The base of the Tagine also serves as a serving dish as it will retain the heat within the food. The conical shaped lid allows the richness to mix and retain the flavours of the cooking within the dish. Cooking with the Tagine produces unique, rich and full of flavour dishes.

For modern cooking your Tagine means low heat and slow cooking with very little fat or liquid compared with methods we are used to. The traditional North African dishes that form the basis of Tagine cuisine feature an abundance of warm spices such as cinnamon, cumin, coriander, the sweet taste of onions, freshness of lemons and garlic, along with the exciting cooking fruits of the hot countries such as figs, dates and prunes.





CHERMOULA SPICE

I small red onion, finely chopped

1/4 cup finely chopped coriander

1/4 cup finely chopped flat-leaf parsley

2 cloves garlic, crushed

2 tsp ground cumin

2 tsp mild smoked paprika

I tsp ground turmeric

I tsp sea salt flakes

½ tsp cayenne pepper

½ tsp finely ground black pepper

80ml (1/3 cup) olive oil

RAS EL HANOUT

I tsp fennel

I tsp cumin

I tsp coriander seeds toasted and ground

I tsp ground tumeric

I tsp ground cinnamon

2 tsp sweet paprika

2 tsp ginger

½ tsp cayenne

½ tsp ground nutmeg

½ tsp cloves

½ tsp all spice

½ tsp cardamon

½ tsp salt and pepper

FLAVOURINGS

Chermoula - Pound all ingredients together in a mortar & pestle or food processor to form a rough textured paste.

Ras el hanout – a dry complex multiple spices blend. Of all the spice blends in the world ras el hanout is possibly the most complicated and highly regarded. Meaning the "head of the shop", ras el hanout is an exotic blend of numerous spices that when mixed is commonly added to many warming dishes. Combine all spices.



1.5cm thick rings

2 Ths olive oil

2 Tbs tomato paste

2 x 400ml cans diced tomatoes

110g (2/3 cup) seeded kalamata olives halved

700g piece boneless kingfish* skinned & cut into 2cm pieces

1/4 cup flat-leaf parsley leaves

I lemon zested into strips

White bean, date and mint salad, to serve Chermoula mix (see prior page) "basic tagine flavourings"

KINGFISH BABY SQUID TAGINE WITH TOMATOES OLIVES

To make chermoula spice place all ingredients into a large bowl, season to taste and stir to combine.

Add squid to chermoula spice and toss well to coat. Cover and refrigerate for 3 hours or overnight.

Heat oil in your SCANPAN Impact Tagine over high heat. Add squid and cook stirring frequently for 15 minutes or until all the moisture from the squid has evaporated. Stir in 250ml (I cup) water, paste, diced tomatoes and olives. Bring to a simmer then reduce heat to low. Cover with lid and simmer stirring frequently for I hour or until squid is tender and sauce has thickened slightly. Add kingfish and stir gently to combine. Cook covered for a further 6 minutes or until kingfish is just cooked through.

Divide kingfish and baby squid Tagine among bowls and top with parsley and lemon zest. Serve with white bean, date and mint salad.



INGREDIENTS

2 medium sized kumara (sweet potato)

2 large carrots (peeled and cut into good sized chunks)

12-15 small onions or shallots, peeled left whole

2 Tbs olive oil

I small knob of butter

I cup ready to eat pitted prunes

I tsp cinnamon

I tsp cardamom

I tsp ginger

2 Tbs liquid honey

1½ cups vegetable stock

Juice and zest of 2 oranges

Topping

Small bunch of finely chopped coriander and mint

1/2 cup of sliced almonds

HINTS & TIPS

 If your BBQ has a side gas burner, try using this to cook your vegetable Tagine while you cook the meats on the BBQ.

TAGINE OF KUMARA, CARROTS AND PRUNES

Warm the SCANPAN Tagine on a medium heat, add olive oil and butter, allow butter to melt. Stir in the peeled onions allowing a good five minutes cooking and then stir in the honey, cinnamon, ginger and cardamom. Add the kumara and carrots, stir well to coat with the spice mix and honey and cook until lightly brown. Season well with freshly ground salt and pepper, stir in stock and prunes, orange juice and zest. Place on Tagine lid and simmer on low heat for about 35 minutes until vegetables are tender and juice is reduced. Alternatively this dish can be cooked in the oven heated to 160°C. Sprinkle over the topping and serve.

The vegetables in this Tagine should be slightly caramelised. They are at their best served with grilled or barbecued meats, a crisp green salad and crusty bread. This vegetable Tagine compliments well a summer BBO.



- 4-6 cloves garlic, crushed
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- 2 tsp ground cumin
- I tsp chilli powder
- I tsp turmeric
- I tsp ground ginger
- 2 Tbs olive oil
- 1½-cup chicken stock
- 4 preserved lemons, rinsed & finely chopped
- I cup mixed green & black olives
- I bunch of fresh coriander, finely chopped
- I bunch of fresh parsley finely chopped
- Season to taste

- The secret to cooking a perfect Tagine where the meat is divinely tender, with deep colour and flavour is to brown the meat to caramelise the natural sugars, then to slow simmer.
- Timing is not important, the Tagine will come to no harm if cooking is prolonged, in fact the flavours will be enhanced as the ingredients will 'melt' to a velvety texture.

TAGINE OF CHICKEN WITH OLIVES & PRESERVED LEMONS

Warm the SCANPAN Tagine on a medium heat, add chicken pieces and lightly brown both sides, add onions, garlic, cumin, chilli powder, turmeric, ginger and olive oil, cook all until onions softened but not browned. Add chicken stock and cover with Tagine lid, bring to the boil, turn down heat and simmer for 45 minutes turning the chicken pieces once or twice until the chicken is cooked and the liquid is much reduced. Adjust seasoning of sauce with salt and pepper to taste and skim off any excess fat from the surface. Stir through the preserved lemons, olives, coriander and parsley and cook for a further 15 minutes. Serve on a bed of couscous. Alternatively, this dish could be cooked in an oven heated to 160°C.

To cook the couscous, add I cup of water to a saucepan with I-2 Tbs of olive oil, bring to the boil, then remove from heat and stir in I cup of couscous. Cover and allow to stand for 5 minutes while it absorbs. Stir with a fork to separate the grains and add half a cup of sliced almonds. This makes a lovely fluffy base upon which to serve your Tagine.



INGREDIENTS

125ml (½ cup) olive oil ½ cup firmly packed flat-leaf parsley ½ cup firmly packed coriander plus extra leaves to serve

2 cloves garlic roughly chopped2cm piece ginger roughly chopped

3 tsp ground cumin

3 tsp ground coriander

I tsp ground fennel

3 cinnamon quills

I pinch saffron threads

I.5kg chicken thigh fillet trimmed & cut into 3cm pieces

1½ Tbs plain flour

750ml (3 cups) good-quality beef stock 100g (2/3 cup) roughly chopped dried apricots

20g ($\frac{1}{4}$ cup) flaked almonds roasted Fresh fig and orange couscous to serve

- Substitute chicken with diced lamb or beef. Allow extra cooking time to ensure meat is very tender.
- If fresh figs for your couscous are not in season, substitute with dried figs.
- As an accompaniment serve with natural yoghurt on the side.

SPICED CHICKEN TAGINE WITH APRICOTS & ALMONDS

Process 80ml (1/3 cup) oil, herbs, garlic, ginger, cumin, coriander and fennel until finely chopped. Transfer mixture to a large bowl. Add cinnamon, saffron and chicken. Season to taste and toss well to combine. Cover and refrigerate for 3 hours or overnight.

Heat remaining 2 Tbs oil in your SCANPAN Tagine over high heat. Add chicken and scatter over flour. Cook stirring frequently for 4 minutes or until browned. Add stock and apricots. Season to taste and stir to combine. Bring to a simmer then reduce heat to low. Cover with lid and simmer stirring occasionally for 40 minutes or until chicken is tender and sauce has thickened.

Divide spiced chicken Tagine among bowls and scatter with flaked almonds and extra coriander leaves. Serve with fresh fig and orange couscous.



2 fillets of thick white fish of a variety suitable for steaming, cut into serving size pieces 15-20 small new seasons potatoes, scrubbed I onion finely chopped 2 Tbs olive oil I cup fish stock I punnet cherry tomatoes

400g fresh of frozen whole beans

Chermoula mix (see page 4) 'basic tagine

HINTS & TIPS

flavourings'

- The fish for this Tagine is marinated in chermoula, which gives it that uniquely Moroccan flavour. It is a delightful dish at any time of the year but lends itself especially well to summer al fresco dining.
- Being quick and easy to prepare, all you need is a fresh, crusty loaf of bread to mop up the tasty juices.

TAGINE OF FISH WITH CHERMOULA, NEW POTATOES, GREEN BEANS & CHERRY TOMATOES

Make up chermoula mix, spread ¾ on top of the fish pieces and leave fish covered in the fridge to marinate. Warm SCANPAN Tagine on medium heat, add olive oil and finely chopped onion. Cook until onion is softened but not brown, add potatoes, the fish stock and the remaining (⅓) of the chermoula. Place the lid on and bring to the boil, then simmer for 10 minutes. Remove lid, layer beans, cherry tomatoes and the fish pieces that have marinated in the chermoula, replace lid and cook on a low heat for 15 to 20 minutes until the fish is tender. A very tasty one-pan meal.



I kg boneless lamb, trimmed & cubed

3 Tbs olive oil

I onion - finely chopped

Crushed garlic, 4 cloves

Small piece of fresh ginger, grated

Pinch of saffron threads

3 Tbs liquid honey

1-2 cups beef stock

I 400g can of chickpeas, drained and rinsed

I cup dried apricots

Salt & pepper seasonings to taste

2 Tbs Ras el hanout mix, (see page 4) 'basic tagine flavourings'

½ cup of freshly chopped mint to serve

HINTS & TIPS

 As with dried figs or prunes mechmech, small aromatic dried apricots, can enhance any chicken or lamb Tagine with their deliciously unique and subtle flavour.

TAGINE OF LAMB WITH DRIED APRICOTS & MINT

Make up ras el hanout mix as instructed on 'basic tagine flavourings'. Warm the SCANPAN Tagine on a medium heat, add oil and lamb, cook until lamb is browned. Add garlic, onion, ginger, saffron and ras el hanout and cook for 2 minutes. Add half of the beef stock, honey and heat until just simmering, cover with lid and simmer for 45 minutes, check regularly during cooking time and add more stock as required to keep the mix quite moist. Add chickpeas and apricots and simmer for a further 45 minutes or until meat is very tender, again adding extra beef stock as required. Remove the lid, season to taste, simmer gently with the lid off until the sauce is reduced and of a thick consistency. Sprinkle with freshly chopped mint to serve. This dish is ideally served with a crispy green salad spiked with chilli to compliment the sweetness of the dish.



60ml (1/4 cup) olive oil

2 red onions thickly sliced

2 cloves garlic thinly sliced

2 tsp ground coriander

I tsp ground cumin

I tsp caraway seeds

I tsp dried chilli flakes (optional)

I tsp mustard seeds toasted*

700g butternut pumpkin peeled, seeded & cut into 3cm pieces

I bunch (250g) baby Dutch carrots trimmed and peeled

400g can chickpeas drained, & rinsed

340g jar fire roasted red pepper strips* drained

3 vine-ripened tomatoes

750g ml jar passata sauce

500ml vegetable stock

1/4 cup roughly chopped flat-leaf parsley

1/4 cup roughly chopped basil

70g (1/3 cup) preserved lemon seeded & cut into strips

Crusty bread to serve

PISTACHIO GOAT'S CHEESE

 2×110 g soft goats cheese crumbled

70g ($\frac{1}{2}$ cup) roughly chopped pistachios

2Tbs roughly chopped mint

2 Tbs roughly chopped coriander

2Tbs extra virgin olive oil

- Place mustard seeds in a small heavy-based saucepan over medium heat. Cook tossing for I minute or until seeds are fragrant. *
- In this recipe we used "Always Fresh" Fire Roasted Red Pepper Strips. They are available from super markets. *
- Substitute baby Dutch carrots with baby Heirloom carrots, if in season.
- Substitute goat's cheese with Persian feta.

PUMPKIN, CHICKPEA & BABY CARROT TAGINF

To make pistachio goat's cheese, place all ingredients into a small bowl and toss gently to combine. Season to taste.

Preheat oven to 180°C. Heat oil in your SCANPAN Tagine over high heat. Add onion, garlic and spices; cook stirring occasionally for 4 minutes or until onion has softened and spices are fragrant. Stir in pumpkin, carrots, chickpeas, peppers, tomatoes, sauce and stock. Bring to a simmer and cover with lid, cook in oven for 35 minutes or until vegetables are tender. Season to taste.

To serve, place SCANPAN Tagine on a wooden board in the middle of your table. Scatter over pistachio goats cheese and preserved lemon. Serve with crusty bread on the side.



We hope that you enjoy your experience of North African Tagine cooking with SCANPAN®



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