

SERVES 4-6 PREP 15 mins COOK 1 hour EASY V

EXCLUSIVE RECIPE

Spiced aubergine and chickpea

pie with kataifi pastry

Kataifi pastry is a Middle Eastern pastry that feels like a cross between filo and vermicelli pastry. It can be found online or in Middle Eastern shops.

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2 aubergines, roughly chopped
4 tbsp olive oil
1 red onion, roughly chopped
3 garlic cloves, roughly chopped
1 tbsp tomato purée
1 tsp cumin
1 tsp ground coriander
1 tsp turmeric
1/2 tsp chilli powder
3 cardamom pods, bashed
2 x 400g cans of chopped tomatoes
700g chickpeas, drained (try to get

the jarred ones if you can)

200g kaitaifi pastry (slice up some filo pastry if you can't find this), defrosted

75g salted butter, melted and cooled slightly

1 tsp nigella seeds (optional)

For the tahini yogurt

200g Greek yogurt

60g tahini squeeze of lemon juice

Put the aubergines in a large bowl and drizzle with 2 tbsp olive oil. Season, then mix well using your hands. Spread across a large, lined baking tray and roast for 30 mins until golden and charred.

2 Meanwhile, heat a large flameproof casserole dish over a medium heat and drizzle in the remaining oil. Once shimmering, add the red onion and a pinch of salt. Cook for 10-12 mins until beginning

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- shimmering, add the red onion and a pinch of salt. Cook for 10-12 mins until beginning to soften, then add the garlic and cook for 2 mins more.

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- 3 Squeeze in the tomato purée and cook for 2 mins. Add all the spices and toast for 1 min, then pour in the chopped tomatoes and a canful of water. Tip in the chickpeas and aubergines. Bring to the boil, then reduce to a simmer and cover.

- 4 Cook for 15-20 mins until reduced and thickened. Season. Transfer to a roasting dish, roughly 30cm x 30cm. Smooth down the top.
- 5 Put the defrosted pastry in a large bowl and drizzle with the melted butter and a large pinch of salt. Mix well, making sure all the pastry is coated with butter.
- 6 Arrange the pastry across the top of the stew, sprinkle over the nigella seeds, if using, then bake in the oven for 20 mins, until the pastry is crisp and golden.
- 7 For the tahini yogurt, mix the ingredients and seasoning in a small bowl.
- 8 Serve directly from the roasting tin with

a dollop of the yogurt.

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carbs 44g • sugars 11g • fibre 11g • protein 13g • salt 0.63g

PER SERVING (6) 523 kcals • fat 30g • saturates 11g •