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## Vegan Potato Moussaka

with a green salad & dried pomegranate gems

There's no denying that many great things came out of Greece, including the magical moussaka! This veggie version is packed with potato rounds, a quick bechamel sauce and nutritional yeast. It really can't get any better than this!

Hands-on Time: 55 minutes

Overall Time: 65 minutes

**Serves:** 4 People

Chef: Ella Nasser

Veggie

Deetlefs Wine Estate | Deetlefs Stonecross

Pinotage Rosé

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#### Ingredients & Prep

800g

40g

20<sub>m</sub>l

rinse & cut into thin rounds

Almonds NOMU Moroccan Rub 40ml

Potato

Garlic Cloves

peel & grate Vegetable Stock

400ml Tomato Passata

480g Tinned Lentils

drain & rinse

160ml Cake Flour 500ml Almond Milk

60ml **Nutritional Yeast** 

Green Leaves 80g

rinse

40g **Dried Pomegranate Gems** 

#### From Your Kitchen

Oil (cooking, olive or coconut) Salt & Pepper

Water

Sugar/Sweetener/Honey

Milk Alternative (optional) Butter Alternative (optional)

1. ROAST SPUDS Preheat the oven to 220°C. Spread the potato rounds on a roasting tray. Coat in oil and season. Roast in the hot oven until soft and turning golden, 20-25 minutes (shifting halfway).

2. TOASTY ALMONDS Place the almonds in a pan over medium heat. Toast until golden brown, 2-4 minutes (shifting occasionally). Remove from the pan and set aside.

3. TOMATO HEAVEN Return the pan to medium-high heat with a drizzle of oil. When hot, fry the NOMU rub and the grated garlic until fragrant, 1-2 minutes (shifting constantly). Stir in the stock, the tomato passata, the drained lentils, a sweetener (to taste), and 600ml of water. Simmer until slightly reduced and thickened, 15-20 minutes. Loosen with a splash of

water if it's too thick.

of oil or butter alternative (optional). When hot, vigorously whisk in the flour to form a roux. Cook out the flour, 1-2 minutes (stirring constantly). Slowly whisk in the almond milk and ½ the nutritional yeast until thickened slightly (stirring constantly). If the bechamel is too thick for your liking, add an extra splash of water or milk alternative (optional). Season and remove from the heat.

4. VEGAN BÉCHAMEL Place a small pot over medium heat with 120ml

5. MOUSSAKA MAGIC When the sauces and potato are done, pour a thin layer of the lentil-tomato sauce into an ovenproof dish. Top with a layer of the potato rounds. Dollop over some of the béchamel sauce and spread out evenly. Repeat the layers until everything is finished. Sprinkle the top layer with the remaining nutritional yeast and seasoning. Turn the oven to grill or the highest setting and grill until golden, 5-8 minutes. In a salad bowl, toss the rinsed green leaves with a drizzle of olive oil and seasoning.

6. GREEK FEAST! Plate up a hearty portion of the moussaka. Side with the dressed green leaves. Sprinkle over the toasted almonds and the dried pomegranate gems. Opa, Chef!

#### **Nutritional Information**

Per 100g

479kJ
115kcal
6.3g
19g
2.6g
5.1g
1.4g
0.1g
178mg

### Allergens

Gluten, Allium, Wheat, Sulphites, Tree Nuts

> Eat Within 4 Days