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Chermoula Beef Mince & Aubergine

with a chickpea & date salad

Perfectly oven-roasted aubergine halves form a savoury base and are topped with mouthwatering mince, enriched with chermoula & tomato paste. A dollop of chive-infused yoghurt adds a creamy finish. Plated with a side of chickpea salad and a sprinkle of chopped dates.

Hands-on Time: 40 minutes

Overall Time: 55 minutes

Serves: 3 People

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Ingredients & Prep

750g	Aubergine <i>rinse & cut in half lengthways, keeping the stem intact</i>
30ml	White Wine Vinegar
180g	Chickpeas <i>drain & rinse</i>
2	Tomatoes <i>rinse & roughly dice</i>
8g	Fresh Chives <i>rinse & finely chop</i>
150ml	Low Fat Plain Yoghurt
450g	Free-range Beef Mince
2	Onions <i>peel & roughly dice 1½</i>
60ml	Pesto Princess Chermoula Paste
45ml	Tomato Paste
2	Garlic Cloves <i>peel & grate</i>
45g	Pitted Dates <i>roughly chop</i>

From Your Kitchen

Oil (cooking, olive or coconut)
Salt & Pepper
Water
Sugar/Sweetener/Honey

1. ROAST THE AUBERGINE Preheat the oven to 220°C. Score the flesh side of the aubergine halves with a knife in a cross-hatch pattern without piercing all the way down to the skin. Spread the aubergine halves cut-side up on a roasting tray. Coat in oil and season. Roast in the hot oven until softened, 35-40 minutes (shifting halfway).

2. PREP THE EXTRAS In a salad bowl, combine the vinegar, a drizzle of olive oil, 15ml of sweetener, and seasoning. Toss through the drained chickpeas, the diced tomato, ½ the chopped chives, and set aside in the fridge. In a small bowl, combine the yoghurt with the remaining chives and season.

3. FRY THE MINCE Place a pan over medium-high heat with a drizzle of oil. When hot, fry the mince and work quickly to break it up as it starts to cook. Fry until browned, 4-5 minutes (shifting occasionally).

4. CHERMOULA TIME Add the diced onions to the pan with the mince. Fry until soft, 4-5 minutes. Add the chermoula paste, the tomato paste, and the grated garlic. Fry until fragrant, 1-2 minutes. Mix in 300ml of water and simmer until reduced and thickening, 8-10 minutes. Remove from the heat, add a sweetener (to taste), and season.

5. WHAT A FEAST! Plate the roasted aubergine flesh-side up. Top with the chermoula mince and dollop over the yoghurt. Side with the chickpea salad and sprinkle over the chopped dates.



Chef's Tip

Air fryer method: Coat the aubergine halves in oil, and season. Air fry at 200°C cut-side up until cooked through, 20-25 minutes (shifting halfway).

Nutritional Information

Per 100g

Energy	399kJ
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Protein	4.8g
Carbs	8g
of which sugars	3.8g
Fibre	2.1g
Fat	4.5g
of which saturated	1.4g
Sodium	32mg

Allergens

Allium, Sulphites, Cow's Milk

Eat
Within
3 Days