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Lush Mzansi-inspired Samp Risotto

with burnt sage butter, goat's cheese & oven-caramelised onions

It's traditional samp and beans, but with a few flavoursome twists. Inspired by the creamy comfort of risotto, this recipe marries the familiar with unexpected tastes and textures, such as crispy sage, cheese and spinach. A dish as rich as the South African bushveld, it's umngqusho-style heartiness on a plate!

Hands-on Time: 40 minutes

Overall Time: 65 minutes

Serves: 4 People

Chef: Tess Witney

Veggie

Leopard's Leap | Unwooded Chardonnay

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Ingredients & Prep

400ml

240g

soaked overniaht, rinsed & drained (please see Chef's Tip for instructions)

40ml Vegetable Stock **Baby Onions** 8

Samp

40g Pine Nuts Cannellini Beans

drained & rinsed 240a Kidney Beans

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Spinach 160g rinsed

Grated Italian-style Hard 80ml Cheese

Lemons zested & cut into wedges

15g Fresh Sage rinsed, picked & dried

100g Goat's Cheese

From Your Kitchen

Oil (cooking, olive or coconut) Salt & Pepper Water

Tinfoil Butter

1. AMP UP THE SAMP Preheat the oven to 200°C. Boil a full kettle. Place the soaked, rinsed samp in a large pot. (See Chef's Tip for instructions.) Submerge in 1,5L of boiling water, stir through the stock, and place over a high heat. Once boiling, reduce the heat and simmer uncovered for

45-50 minutes until cooked, stirring occasionally. If it starts to dry out during cooking, add water in small increments. On completion, it should be tender and a thick, porridge-like texture.

2. LAYERS OF FLAVOURS Peel the baby onions and halve lengthways. Don't remove the tip that keeps the layers joined together. Place on a tinfoil-lined roasting tray, coat in oil, and season. Spread out evenly, turn cut-side down, and roast in the hot oven for 20-25 minutes until soft and caramelised.

3. PINING FOR MORE Place the pine nuts in a pan over a medium heat. Toast for 3-5 minutes until golden brown, shifting occasionally. Keep a close eye on them; they burn easily! Remove from the pan on completion and set aside for serving. Set the pan aside for step 5.

4. FULL OF BEANS! When the samp is cooked, stir through the drained cannellini and kidney beans. Cook for a further 7-8 minutes until heated through, stirring occasionally. Then, add in a naughty-sized knob of butter, the rinsed spinach, and the grated Italian-style cheese. Stir until the spinach has wilted, then remove from the heat. Stir through some

seasoning and a squeeze of lemon juice – both to taste. Cover with a lid

5. NUTTY BURNT BUTTER Return the pan to a medium heat with 80g of butter. Once foaming, add in the rinsed, dried sage leaves and spread out in a single layer. Fry for 2-3 minutes, shifting occasionally and watching closely to ensure they don't burn. On completion, the leaves should be

crispy and the butter should have a nutty aroma. Remove the pan from

to keep warm until serving.

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6. IT'S BEAN A CULINARY ADVENTURE Serve up lavish bowls of samp and bean "risotto" and lay the caramelised baby onions on top. Garnish with dollops of goat's cheese and the lemon zest to taste. Drizzle over the burnt sage butter, scatter over the sage leaves, and finish with a sprinkling of toasted pine nuts. Nikonwabele ukutya kwenu! Have a nice meal!



Samp must be soaked in water to speed up the cooking process. Submerge in cold water to 3cm above its surface, cover. and soak overnight. Alternatively, soak for at least 3 hours before cooking.

Nutritional Information

Per 100g

Energy 690kI Energy 165kcal Protein 6.9g Carbs 27g of which sugars 2.6g Fibre 4.8g Fat 3.9g of which saturated 1.6g Sodium 373mg

Allergens

Egg, Dairy, Allium, Sulphites, Tree Nuts

Cook within 4 Days