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## Vegetarian Chermoula Aubergine

with a chickpea & tomato salad

A flavourful, veggie-forward feast for the eyes and the palate, Chef! Scored oven-roasted aubergine is plated with lentils that have soaked up a concentrated Pesto Princess Chermoula Paste & tomato paste sauce, dotted with silky onion & garlic. Dolloped with creamy yoghurt, sweet dates, and served with a crunchy chickpea salad.

Hands-on Time: 25 minutes

Overall Time: 45 minutes

**Serves:** 2 People

Chef: Megan Bure

Carb Conscious

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Blanc/Semillon

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#### Ingredients & Prep

500g Aubergine
rinse & cut in half
lengthways, keeping the
stems intact

20ml White Wine Vinegar120g Chickpeas

drain & rinse

1 Tomato

rinse & roughly dice
5g Fresh Chives
rinse & finely chop

100ml Low Fat Plain Yoghurt

1 Onion peel & roughly dice

60ml Pesto Princess Chermoula Paste

30ml Tomato Paste

1 Garlic Clove peel & grate

120g Tinned Lentils drain & rinse

30g Pitted Dates roughly chop

#### From Your Kitchen

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

Sugar/Sweetener/Honey

1. 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, 30-35 minutes (shifting halfway).

2. PREP In a salad bowl, combine the vinegar, a drizzle of olive oil, 10ml of sweetener, and seasoning. Add the drained chickpeas, the diced tomato, and ½ the chopped chives. Toss to combine and set aside in the fridge. In a small bowl, combine the yoghurt with the remaining chives and season.

3. CHERMOULA LENTILS Place a pan over medium-high heat with a drizzle of oil. When hot, add the diced onions and fry until soft, 3-4 minutes. Add the chermoula paste, the tomato paste, and the grated garlic. Fry until fragrant, 1-2 minutes. Mix in 200ml of water and the drained lentils. Simmer until reduced and thickening, 6-8 minutes. Remove from the heat, add a sweetener, and season.

**4.** EAT! Plate the roasted aubergine flesh-side up. Top with the chermoula lentils and dollop over the yoghurt. Side with the chickpea salad and sprinkle over the chopped dates.



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	326kJ
Energy	78kcal
Protein	3.4g
Carbs	11g
of which sugars	4.1g
Fibre	3.6g
Fat	1.8g
of which saturated	0.2g
Sodium	28mg

### **Allergens**

Cow's Milk, Allium, Sulphites

Eat Within 3 Days