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## Butternut Chana Masala

with brown rice & fresh mint

Literally meaning 'spiced chickpeas', this popular Indian and Pakistani dish's beautiful aromatics will be filling your home today. If you think it smells delicious, wait until you taste it, Chef! Fluffy basmati rice, topped with golden butternut and crispy chickpeas coated in a tomato-based masala sauce. Cooling raita and refreshing mint bring it all together.

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**Hands-on Time:** 50 minutes

**Overall Time:** 60 minutes

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**Serves:** 4 People

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**Chef:** Megan Bure



Veggie



Creation Wines | Creation Sauvignon  
Blanc/Semillon

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## Ingredients & Prep

400ml	Brown Basmati Rice <i>rinse</i>
1kg	Butternut <i>rinse, deseed, peel (optional) &amp; cut into bite-sized pieces</i>
480g	Chickpeas <i>drain &amp; rinse</i>
200g	Cucumber <i>grate &amp; squeeze liquid out</i>
200ml	Cashew Nut Yoghurt
10g	Fresh Mint <i>rinse, pick &amp; roughly slice</i>
80ml	Indian Seasoning <i>(20ml Vegetable Stock &amp; 60ml NOMU Indian Rub)</i>
2	Onions <i>peel &amp; finely dice</i>
4	Garlic Cloves <i>peel &amp; grate</i>
2	Fresh Chillies <i>rinse, trim, deseed &amp; finely chop</i>
800g	Cooked Chopped Tomato

## From Your Kitchen

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

**1. BOILING RICE** Place the rinsed rice in a pot with 900ml of salted water. Cover with a lid and bring to a boil. Reduce the heat and simmer until the water has been absorbed, 25-30 minutes. Drain (if necessary) and cover.

**2. ROAST THE BUTTERNUT** Preheat the oven to 200°C. Spread the butternut pieces on a roasting tray. Coat in oil and season. Roast in the hot oven until golden, 30-35 minutes (shifting halfway). Place the drained chickpeas in a bowl and toss with a drizzle of oil and seasoning. Set aside.

**3. MINTY RAITA & VEGGIE STOCK** Boil the kettle. In a bowl, combine the cucumber with the yoghurt and  $\frac{3}{4}$  of the sliced mint. Season and set aside. Dilute the Indian Seasoning with 250ml of boiling water.

**4. GET THOSE CHICKPEAS CRISPY** When the butternut reaches the halfway mark, shift and scatter over the dressed chickpeas. Return to the oven for the remaining cooking time.

**5. MASALA TIME** Place a deep pan over medium heat with a drizzle of oil. When hot, fry the diced onion until beginning to brown, 8-10 minutes (shifting occasionally). Add the grated garlic and the chopped chilli (to taste). Fry until fragrant, 30 seconds - 1 minute (shifting constantly). Pour in the cooked chopped tomato and the diluted Indian seasoning. Simmer until thickened, 10-12 minutes (stirring occasionally). When the sauce has 5 minutes remaining, stir through the roasted butternut and  $\frac{3}{4}$  of the chickpeas. Add a sweetener and season.

**6. GET THOSE TASTE BUDS DANCING!** Dish up a bowl of the steaming rice and top with the chunky chana masala. Scatter over the remaining crispy chickpeas. Garnish with the remaining sliced mint and serve with the raita on the side. Delicious and nutritious!



## Chef's Tip

Air fryer method: Coat the butternut pieces in oil and season. Air fry at 200°C until crispy, 20-25 minutes (shifting halfway).

## Nutritional Information

Per 100g

Energy	422kj
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Protein	3.6g
Carbs	18g
of which sugars	2.7g
Fibre	3.2g
Fat	1.1g
of which saturated	0.1g
Sodium	165mg

## Allergens

Allium, Sulphites, Tree Nuts

Eat  
within  
4 Days