

Summer Shakshouka

Season: Summer/Autumn

Makes: 30 tastes in the classroom or 6 serves at home

Fresh from the garden: bay leaves, capsicums, chilli, coriander, eggs, garlic, onions, parsley, thyme, tomatoes

This tomato-based baked eggs dish is a staple in many Middle Eastern and North African countries and the word 'shakshouka' loosely translates as 'all mixed up' in Arabic.

Note: Any summer vegetable, such as zucchini and eggplants, can be added to this dish. Simply chop and add them at the same time as the capsicums.

Equipment:

Ingredients:

metric measuring spoons	4 tbsp olive oil	
tea towel	2 onions, finely chopped	
chopping board cook's knife	2 cloves garlic, peeled and finely chopped	
deep frying pan with lid wooden spoon small bowl	4 red capsicums, de-seeded and thinly sliced	
	1 long red chilli, finely chopped	
	1 tsp ground cumin	
	1 tsp smoked paprika	
	8 tomatoes, chopped	
	6 sprigs of thyme, leaves picked	
	2 bay leaves	
	1 handful of parsley, chopped	
	1 handful of coriander, chopped	
	salt	
	freshly ground pepper	
	6 eggs	

What to do:

- 1. Prepare all the ingredients based on the instructions in the ingredients list.
- 2. Heat the olive oil in the deep frying pan over medium heat.
- 3. Cook the onions and garlic in the oil until golden.
- 4. Add the capsicum and continue to cook, stirring often, until the capsicums soften.
- 5. Add the chilli, cumin and smoked paprika and cook for 2 minutes or until aromatic.
- 6. Add the tomatoes, thyme and bay leaves. Cook, stirring occasionally, for about 10 minutes or until the sauce becomes rich and thick.

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- 7. Stir in half the quantities of the chopped parsley and coriander (reserve the rest for garnish)
- 8. Season with salt and pepper to taste.
- 9. Make six small wells randomly in the surface of the sauce, using the back of the wooden spoon.
- 10. Crack an egg into the small bowl and pour into a well. Repeat with the remaining eggs.
- 11. Reduce the heat to low and place the lid on the frying pan. Cook for about 10 minutes until the egg whites are set but the yolks are still runny.
- 12. Sprinkle the shakshouka with the reserved chopped herbs before serving.

