BRITISH · DINNER

Veggie Lentil Cottage Pie with Sweet Potato Mash

120 min · Serves 8 · 546 kcal a serve · Video 6:54 · Chef Tom Kerridge

Vegetarian · Nut-free

Lentils replace mince and the mash is sweet potato, so each serve gives around 20 g of fibre, about 18 g of plant protein and well over a day's vitamin A (as beta-carotene), with only a little butter and cheese.

Diet notes: Gluten-free with a swap: Check that the stock cube is gluten-free.

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Ingredients 22 · SERVES 8

- [ ] about 3 tbsp **olive oil**
- [ ] 2 large **onions**, peeled and diced
- [ ] 2 **carrots**, peeled and diced
- [ ] 3 **celery** sticks, diced
- [ ] 4 cloves of **garlic**, grated
- [ ] 2 tbsp **tomato purée**
- [ ] ½ cup **red wine**, reduced to a glaze
- [ ] 1 tin of chopped **tomatoes**
- [ ] **vegetarian stock** (1 stock cube and a splash of water)
- [ ] 7 oz **baby chestnut mushrooms**, quartered
- [ ] 3 sprigs of **fresh thyme**
- [ ] a little **fresh rosemary** (about 1 sprig)
- [ ] 2 **bay leaves**
- [ ] 1¾ lb cooked **Puy lentils** (2 ready-cooked packets)
- [ ] 7 oz **frozen peas**
- [ ] 8 large **sweet potatoes**, baked until soft, flesh scooped out
- [ ] a few **cubes of butter** (about 1 oz)
- [ ] **Dijon mustard**: 1 tsp English mustard and 1 tsp Dijon mustard
- [ ] 3½ oz **cheddar**, grated
- [ ] 1 tsp **smoked paprika**
- [ ] **salt** to taste
- [ ] **black pepper** to taste

Amounts in US units, converted from the cook's and rounded — the video has the originals.

Contains: Gluten, Milk. Check labels on stock, sauces and spice mixes.

Method TIMES = THE MOMENT IN THE VIDEO

1. Bake the sweet potatoes at 350°F for about an hour until soft. 2:50
2. Meanwhile, heat the oil in a wide, high-sided pan and fry the onion, celery and carrot over high heat, stirring only now and then so they colour. Add the garlic and cook until soft and golden. 0:20
3. Stir in the tomato purée and cook it out, then add the red wine and let it bubble down to a glaze, scraping the bottom of the pan. 1:20
4. Add the chopped tomatoes, stock cube and a splash of water, bring to the boil, then add the mushrooms, bay, thyme, rosemary and lentils. Simmer 25–30 minutes until thick. 2:00
5. Remove the herb stalks and bay leaves, stir in the frozen peas, season, and spread the filling in an ovenproof dish. 4:28
6. Scoop out the sweet potato flesh and mash with a fork with the butter, both mustards and a pinch of salt. Spread over the filling, fork ripples on top, then add the cheddar and smoked paprika. 3:00
7. Bake at 325°F for 45 minutes until hot in the middle and golden on top. 5:45

> **Tip** Make the filling a day ahead or freeze the assembled pie in portions. For a vegan version, swap the butter for olive oil and leave off the cheese or use a plant-based one.

The method is a summary in our words — the video shows every step.

One serve gives you 1 OF 8 · ESTIMATE

ENERGY	PROTEIN	CARBOHYDRATE
546 kcal	21 g	89 g
2,290 kJ	43% of a day	68 g net · 26 g sugars
		32% of a day

FIBRE	FAT	SODIUM
21 g	14 g	710 mg
74% of a day	5.4 g saturated	31% of a day
	17% of a day	

Energy from net carbs 57% · protein 17% · fat 26%

High in (20%+ of a day) Vitamin A 293% · Vitamin C 73% · Vitamin B6 69% · Folate 61% · Potassium 45% · Iron 38% · Magnesium 33% · Zinc 29% · Vitamin E 25% · Vitamin K 24% · Calcium 20%

Source of (10–19%) Selenium 17% · Omega-3 10%

Recipe and video: Chef Tom Kerridge (@ChefTomKerridge) on YouTube — youtube.com/watch?v=KCTid7WOKx8, published 21 January 2021. All credit for the recipe goes to the cook; please watch and support their channel.

By Notbroken: the method summary, the unit conversions, the diet notes and the nutrition estimate — worked out from the ingredient list with USDA FoodData Central values; % of a day compares one serve with the US FDA daily values on food labels (2,000 kcal). Brands, portions and cooking change the real numbers.

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