

EGGPLANT, TOMATO AND COCONUT CURRY WITH CUCUMBER RAITA

Season:	Summer
From the garden:	Eggplant, tomato, garlic, cucumber, mint
Type:	Dinner
Difficulty:	Easy
Country of origin:	India
Serves:	8 mains or 30 tastes
Source:	bbcgoodfood.com

Equipment	Ingredients
*chopping board	*500 g eggplant
*knive	*250 g tomatoes
*measuring cup and spoons	*1 can of coconut milk
*frying pan	*1 onion
*cooking pot with lid	*2 cloves garlic
*wooden spoon	*5cm fresh ginger
*grater	*1 tsp each: turmeric, garam marsala, sugar,
	salt, cumin seeds, coriander seeds, tahini
*can opener	*oil for frying

CUCUMBER RAITA

*vegetable peeler	*1 med. cucumber
*chopping board and knife	*1 cup plain yogurt

*bowl	*1 tsp cumin
*measuring cup and spoon	*2 cloves garlic
*garlic press	*2 tbsp chopped mint or coriander
*mixing spoon	*salt and pepper to taste

Method

1.cut the eggplant into chunks and dice onion, tomatoes and garlic

2.heat some oil in a frying pan and cook eggplant chunks till browned on both sides. You might have to add some more oil, as eggplant absorb quite a bit

3.remove the eggplant from the frying pan and set aside

4. heat some oil in a pot, add the diced onion and garlic and fry for a few minutes

5. crush the coriander seeds with the back of a large knife and grate the ginger

6. add all the spices and ginger to the pot and cook for a few more minutes

7. add the tomatoes and coconut milk into the pot. Swish the coconut milk can out with some water and add that too

8. add the tahini, salt and sugar, put the lid on the pot, and on a medium heat, let the curry cook for around 10 min.

9. add the eggplant and cook for a further 5 min.

10. for the cucumber raita, peel the cucumber and cut into small dice

11. peel and squeeze the garlic into a bowl and chop the mint/coriander

12. add cucumber, yogurt, herbs, curmin, salt and pepper and mix

13. put into the fridge to chill

Notes: This curry can be served with chapati, nan, rice or flatbread

Skills: measuring, *mixing*, *frying*, *cutting*