## HARISSA CHICKEN WITH A COUSCOUS PILAF

Serves 4 | Prep time: 20 mins Cook time: 60 mins

## **INGREDIENTS**

- 4 large skinless chicken thighs
- 1 tbsp harissa paste
- 1 tbsp honey
- 2 garlic cloves, minced
- 1 tsp smoked paprika
- Zest from 1 lemon
- Juice from 1 lemon
- 2 tbsp extra virgin olive oil

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- 200g couscous
- 1/2 red onion, sliced
- 1 small head broccoli, cut into bite size florets
- 1x 400g tin chickpeas, rinsed and drained
- 1/3 cup currants

Serve with additional extra virgin olive oil, fresh lemon juice and roughly chopped coriander.

## METHOD

- 1. Preheat the oven to 180°C.
- 2. Mix the harissa, honey, garlic, paprika, lemon zest, and juice in a small bowl.
- Place chicken thighs on a baking tray and coat well with marinade mixture. Drizzle with half the oil. Bake for 40 minutes or until cooked through. Remove and set aside.
- 4. Meanwhile, cook couscous as directed on the packet.
- 5. Heat the remaining oil in a large frying pan and cook the onion over medium-high heat for 1-2 minutes. Add broccoli and cook for a further 3-4 minutes.
- 6. Stir in the couscous, chickpeas and currants and heat through.
- 7. Transfer pilaf to a large serving plate and top with chicken thighs.

Drizzle with extra virgin olive oil, fresh lemon juice and coriander before serving.

## **NUTRITION TIP**

Couscous is rich in selenium, a powerful antioxidant that can help reduce inflammation in the body. It has also been found to improve heart health by reducing plaque build-up and LDL cholesterol in the arteries.