## **Apricot Stuffed Lamb**



Serves 6

## Ingredients:

1 (1.8kg/4lb) shoulder of lamb, boned

Salt & freshly ground black pepper

25g/1oz oil

1 onion sliced

1 carrot sliced

1 bay leaf,

300 ml/.5 pint stock

## Stuffing:

50g/2oz fresh white breadcrumbs

Pinch of dried thyme

25g/1oz walnuts chopped

1 small onion chopped

1 tablespoon oil

1 (213 g/7.5 oz) can apricots

1 egg beaten

## Method:

Season the lamb generously with salt and pepper and set aside whist preparing the stuffing. Place the breadcrumbs, thyme and walnuts in a bowl. Fry the onion in the oil in a small saucepan until soft but not brown, about 5 minutes, and then add to the breadcrumb mixture. Drain and coarsely chop the apricots and stir into the stuffing mixture. Season to taste and bind with sufficient beaten egg to make a moist stuffing. Spoon the stuffing along the shoulder joint and tie with string into a long neat shape. Heat the oil in a flameproof casserole and brown the meat on all sides. Add the sliced onion, carrot and bay leaf. Pour over the stock and bring to the boil. Cover and cook in a moderate oven (180C, 350F, Gas Mark 4) for 1.5 hours or until cooked. To serve remove the string from the lamb and place on a serving dish. Sieve the stock juices and pour over the lamb. Carve into thick slices and serve.

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