## Loaded Meatballs with Vegetables and Couscous

## Ingredients

- 2 cups wholemeal breadcrumbs
- 1 cup plain Greek yoghurt
- 5 eggs, whisked
- 3 tablespoons tomato paste
- 1 onion, finely diced
- 2 teaspoons ground paprika
- 1/2 cup fresh parsley, finely chopped
- 1kg lean beef mince
- 3 carrots, grated
- 2 zucchinis, grated
- 1kg mixed vegetables (e.g. peas, corn, broccoli)
- 1.5 kg couscous

Serves: 20 Prep Time: 30 mins Cook Time: 20 mins



## Method

- 1. Preheat oven to  $180^{\circ}$ C. Line 1 2 baking trays with baking paper.
- 2. In a large mixing bowl, combine the wholemeal breadcrumbs, plain Greek yoghurt, whisked eggs, tomato paste, finely diced onion, ground paprika and finely chopped parsley.
- 3. Add the lean beef mince, grated carrot and grated zucchini. Mix until combined.
- 4. Scoop out 1 tablespoon of mixture and roll into a ball. Place on the prepared baking tray.
- 5. Continue with remaining mixture.
- 6. Bake meatballs for approx. 20 minutes or until golden and cooked through.
- 7. Steam the mixed vegetables until cooked through.
- 8. Cook the couscous according to packet instructions and serve with the prepared meatballs and vegetables.

## **Recipe Notes:**

Dampen hands when rolling mixture into balls to avoid sticking. Instead of carrot and zucchini, use grated pumpkin or sweet potato. Another way to serve these meatballs is in a wrap with salad and a homemade tzatziki dip using Greek yoghurt.

Food Group	Serves per portion
Vegetables	1.2
Fruit	0
Grain foods	1.6
Lean meat and alternatives	0.9
Milk, yoghurt and cheese	0.1



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