## HOW TO MASTER THE CASSEROLE

WAR DICED BEEF

10 MINS

2 HRS

SERVES A

1kg gravy beef or your favourite cut of beef suitable for slow cooking cut into 3cm pieces 2 tbsp olive oil 1 large brown onion, thinly sliced 2 medium carrots, peeled, sliced 2 celery stalks, sliced 2 tbsp plain flour 500ml beef stock 400g can diced tomatoes

CASSEROLE ALTERNATIVES

1 thsp Worcestershire sauce 120g baby spinach leaves Flat leaf parsley to garnish Mash and green beans to serve.

Once you know the basics, you can switch ingredients to make a huge variety of casseroles, curries and stews.



INDIAN BEEF CASSEROLE



JAPANESE BEEF CASSEROLE



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MEXICAN BEEF CASSEROLE

1. Preheat the oven to 180°C (160° fan-forced). Place beef in a large snap lock bag or dish, add half the oil, season and mix well.



2. Heat a large ovenproof casserole dish over medium-high heat. Brown the beef in 2 or 3 batches, setting beef aside on a plate.



3. Reduce heat to medium and add remaining oil. Add onion, carrot and celery, cook, stirring, for 4-5 minutes.



4. Sprinkle in flour and stir until vegetables are coated. Gradually pour in stock stirring well. Return beef to the pan with any juices and add tomatoes and Worcestershire sauce, stirring until the mixture boils.



5. Cover casserole dish, place in oven and cook until beef is very tender (2-21/2 hours), stirring occasionally, adding extra stock or water if necessary. Remove from oven, stir in baby spinach leaves and set aside, covered, for 2 minutes.

Serve beef with mash and green beans, sprinkle with parsley.