

# Saucy Pesto Beef Meatballs with Spinach & Rocket Couscous

NEW

Grab your meal kit with this number





Prep in: 30-40 mins Ready in: 35-45 mins

These beef meatballs have a flavourful twist, can you guess what it is? It's our favourite cheesy, nutty and herby condiment, mixed right in with the mince - pesto! This vibrant addition packs a punch with flavour. Serve these meatballs atop a fluffy couscous, coated in a rich tomato sauce for your new favourite meatball combo!

**Pantry items** Olive Oil, Brown Sugar, Butter

# Before you start

Wash hands and fresh veggies. Avoid cross contamination by washing utensils after handling raw meat/poultry. Always use separate utensils for raw and cooked meat.

If you're cooking for 6, use the 2 people plus 4 people ingredients and cook meat and veggies in batches

#### You will need

Large frying pan with a lid · Medium saucepan with a lid

# Ingredients

-		
	2 People	4 People
olive oil*	refer to method	refer to method
garlic	3 cloves	6 cloves
carrot	1	2
beef mince	1 medium packet	2 medium packets OR 1 large packet
fine breadcrumbs	1 medium packet	1 large packet
salt*	1⁄4 tsp	½ tsp
plant-based basil pesto	1 medium packet	2 medium packets
water* (for the couscous)	¾ cup	1½ cups
beef-style stock powder	1 medium sachet	1 large sachet
couscous	1 medium packet	1 large packet
tomato paste	1 packet	2 packets
brown sugar*	1 tsp	2 tsp
butter*	20g	40g
water* (for the sauce)	¼ cup	½ cup
spinach & rocket mix	1 medium packet	1 large packet
grated Parmesan cheese	1 medium packet	1 large packet
* Dantas Itoma		

\*Pantry Items

# Nutrition

Avg Qty	Per Serving	Per 100g
Energy (kJ)	3705kJ (885Cal)	978kJ (233Cal)
Protein (g)	44.6g	11.8g
Fat, total (g)	51.1g	13.5g
- saturated (g)	18.6g	4.9g
Carbohydrate (g)	57.7g	15.2g
- sugars (g)	10.1g	2.7g
Sodium (mg)	1466mg	387mg
Dietary Fibre (g)	6.3g	1.7g

The quantities provided above are averages only.

# Allergens

Always read product labels for the most up-to-date allergen information. Visit hellofresh.co.nz/foodinfo for allergen and ingredient information. If you have received a substitute ingredient, please be aware allergens may have changed.

#### We're here to help! Scan here if you have any questions or concerns 2024 | CW37



# Get prepped

- Finely chop the garlic.
- Thinly slice the carrot into half-moons.



### Make the meatballs

- In a medium bowl, combine the **beef mince**, fine breadcrumbs, salt and plant-based basil pesto.
- Using damp hands, take a heaped spoonful of the **beef mixture** and gently shape into a small meatball. Set aside on a plate and repeat. You should get 4-5 meatballs per person.

TIP: The pesto makes these meatballs extra tender but also delicate, so handle them carefully!



# Cook the meatballs

• In a large frying pan, heat a drizzle of **olive** oil over a medium-high heat. Cook the beef meatballs until browned, 5-6 minutes (they will continue cooking in step 5). Transfer to a plate.

**TIP:** Cook the meatballs in batches if they don't fit in a single layer!



# Cook the couscous

- In a medium saucepan, combine the water (for the couscous) and beef-style stock powder and bring to the boil.
- Add the couscous, then stir to combine. Cover with a lid and remove from heat.
- Set aside until the water is absorbed, 5 minutes. Fluff up with a fork.



# Make the sauce

- · Return the frying pan to a medium-high heat with another drizzle of **olive oil**, if needed. Cook the carrot until softened, 5 minutes. Add the garlic and cook until fragrant, 1 minute.
- Add tomato paste, the brown sugar, butter and the water (for the sauce). Return the meatballs to the pan and cover with a lid. Reduce the heat to medium and simmer until the meatballs are cooked through, 6-7 minutes.
- Season to taste with salt and pepper.

TIP: Add a splash more water if the sauce is looking dry!

# Serve up

- Stir the **spinach & rocket mix** through the couscous, then divide between bowls.
- Top with the pesto beef meatballs, spooning over the tomato sauce.
- Sprinkle with the grated Parmesan cheese to serve. Enjoy!



If you've chosen to add, swap or upgrade, scan the QR code to see detailed cooking instructions and nutrition information.





DOUBLE BEEF MINCE Follow method above. **SWAP TO PORK MINCE** Follow method above.