

# Char Siu Pork Belly & Sticky Eggplant with Ginger Rice & Peanuts







Hands-on: 30-40 mins Ready in: 35-45 mins Spicy (optional long green chilli)

What's an instant way to bring bold, international flavours to pork? Add this sweet 'n' salty char siu paste to melt-in-your-mouth pork belly. Teamed with sticky braised eggplant, plus an aromatic ginger rice, this meal will make your tastebuds sing!

Olive Oil, Butter, Soy Sauce, Rice Wine

Vinegar, Honey

#### Before you start

Remember to wash your hands for 20 seconds before you get cooking. You'll also need to give your fruit and veggies a wash.

#### You will need

Oven tray lined with baking paper  $\cdot$  Medium saucepan with a lid  $\cdot$  Large frying pan

### Ingredients

	2 People	4 People
olive oil*	refer to method	refer to method
eggplant	1	2
ginger	1 knob	2 knobs
butter*	20g	40g
jasmine rice	1 packet	1 packet
water*	1¼ cups	2½ cups
salt*	1⁄4 tsp	½ tsp
garlic	2 cloves	4 cloves
baby broccoli	1 bag	2 bags
green beans	<b>1 bag</b> (100g)	<b>1 bag</b> (200g)
mixed sesame seeds	1 sachet	1 sachet
slow-cooked pork belly	1 packet	1 packet
char siu paste	1 packet	1 packet
Sichuan garlic paste	1 packet	2 packets
soy sauce*	1 tbs	2 tbs
rice wine vinegar*	½ tbs	1 tbs
honey*	1⁄2 tbs	1 tbs
long green chilli (optional)	1⁄2	1
spring onion	1 stem	2 stems
crushed peanuts	1 packet	2 packets

\*Pantry Items

# Nutrition

Avg Qty	Per Serving	Per 100g
Energy (kJ)	4640kJ (1108Cal)	776kJ (185Cal)
Protein (g)	47.8g	8g
Fat, total (g)	49.5g	8.3g
- saturated (g)	16.6g	2.8g
Carbohydrate (g)	114g	19.1g
- sugars (g)	43.5g	7.3g
Sodium (mg)	4098mg	686mg

The quantities provided above are averages only.

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# Roast the eggplant

Preheat the oven to **240°C/220°C fan-forced**. Cut the **eggplant** into bite-sized chunks. Place the **eggplant** on a lined oven tray, drizzle with **olive oil** (2 tbs for 2 people / 1/4 cup for 4 people) and season with **salt**. Spread out evenly, then roast until golden, **15-20 minutes**.

**TIP:** Adding enough oil will ensure the eggplant softens in time.



### Cook the ginger rice

While the eggplant is roasting, finely grate the **ginger**. In a medium saucepan, melt the **butter** and a dash of **olive oil** over a medium heat. Cook the **ginger** until fragrant, **1-2 minutes**. Add the **jasmine rice**, the **water** and the **salt**, stir, then bring to the boil. Cover with a lid and reduce the heat to low. Cook for **12 minutes**, then remove the pan from the heat and keep covered until the rice is tender and all the water is absorbed, **10-15 minutes**.

**TIP:** The rice will finish cooking in its own steam so don't peek!



# Cook the garlicky greens

While the rice is cooking, finely chop the **garlic**. Trim the **baby broccoli** and halve lengthways. Trim the **green beans**. Heat a large frying pan over a medium-high heat. Cook the **baby broccoli** and **green beans** with a splash of **water** until softened, **4-5 minutes**. Add the **mixed sesame seeds** and 1/2 the **garlic** and cook until fragrant, **1 minute**. Transfer to a bowl, then season with **salt** and **pepper**. Cover to keep warm.



#### Cook the char siu pork

Pat the **slow-cooked pork belly** dry with paper towel and cut into 2cm chunks. Wipe out the frying pan. Add the **pork** to the pan and place over a high heat (no need for oil). Cook the **pork**, tossing, until golden, **8-10 minutes**. Remove the pan from the heat. Add the **char siu paste** and a splash of **water**, then toss the **pork** to coat. Transfer the glazed **pork** to a plate and cover with foil to rest.



# Cook the sticky eggplant

In a small bowl, combine the **Sichuan garlic paste**, **soy sauce**, **rice wine vinegar**, **honey** and a dash of **water**. Return the frying pan to a medium-high heat with a drizzle of **olive oil**. Cook the **roasted eggplant**, **Sichuan sauce mixture** and remaining **garlic** until slightly reduced and sticky, **2-3 minutes**.



### Serve up

Thinly slice the **long green chilli** (if using). Thinly slice the **spring onion**, then stir through the rice. Divide the ginger rice between bowls. Top with the char siu pork, sticky eggplant and garlicky greens. Garnish with the **crushed peanuts** and chilli to serve.

