

# Easy Slow-Cooked Italian Beef Meatballs with Spaghetti, Tomato Sauce & Parmesan

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Italian Herbs



Stock Powder



Fine Breadcrumbs





Cherry/Snacking Tomatoes









Spaghetti



**Baby Spinach** 



**Beef Mince** 



Cheese

Prep in: 10-20 mins Ready in: 1 hr 25 mins - 1 hr 35 mins

Lace beef meatballs with Italian herbs before slow-cooking them in the oven with a rich red sauce, and the result is worth the wait! Despite the longer cook-time, these meatballs require minimal prep, with most of the magic happening in the oven.

#### **Pantry items**

Olive Oil, Egg, Butter, Brown Sugar

#### 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

Medium or large baking dish · Large saucepan

# Ingredients

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	2 People	4 People	
olive oil*	refer to method	refer to method	
beef mince	1 small packet	1 medium packet	
Italian herbs	1 medium sachet	1 large sachet	
beef-style stock powder	1 medium sachet	1 large sachet	
fine breadcrumbs	1 medium packet	1 large packet	
egg*	1	2	
cherry/snacking tomatoes	1 punnet	2 punnets	
passata	1 box	2 boxes	
garlic & herb seasoning	1 medium sachet	1 large sachet	
salt*	1/4 tsp	½ tsp	
water*	⅓ cup	⅔ cup	
butter*	20g	40g	
brown sugar*	½ tbs	1 tbs	
spaghetti	1 medium packet	1 large packet	
baby spinach leaves	1 medium bag	1 large bag	
grated Parmesan cheese	1 packet (30g)	2 packets (60g)	

<sup>\*</sup>Pantry Items

#### **Nutrition**

Avg Qty	Per Serving	Per 100g
Energy (kJ)	3578kJ (855Cal)	693kJ (166Cal)
Protein (g)	51.2g	9.9g
Fat, total (g)	30.4g	5.9g
- saturated (g)	15.1g	2.9g
Carbohydrate (g)	89.1g	17.3g
- sugars (g)	12.1g	2.3g
Sodium (mg)	1804mg	349mg

The quantities provided above are averages only.

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## Bake the meatballs & get prepped

- Preheat oven to 220°C/200°C fan-forced.
- In a medium bowl, combine beef mince, Italian herbs, beef-style stock powder, fine breadcrumbs and the egg.
- Using damp hands, roll heaped spoonfuls of mixture into small meatballs (4-5 per person). Transfer to a baking dish. Drizzle with olive oil, gently turning to coat.
- Bake meatballs until lightly browned, 10-15 minutes.
- Meanwhile, halve cherry tomatoes.



## Cook the pasta & finish the meatballs

- When the meatballs have 25 minutes remaining, bring a large saucepan of salted water to the boil.
- Cook spaghetti in the boiling water until 'al dente', 10 minutes.
- When the pasta is ready, reserve some pasta water (1/4 cup for 2 people / 1/2 cup for 4 people), then drain pasta and return to pan.
- When the meatballs are ready, transfer to a plate. Gently stir baby spinach leaves and spaghetti through the sauce in the baking dish. Season to taste.

TIP: If needed, loosen the pasta sauce by stirring through a splash of water.



## Make it saucy

- Remove baking dish from oven, then add cherry tomatoes, passata, garlic & herb seasoning, the salt, water, butter and brown sugar. Turn meatballs to coat. Cover baking dish tightly with foil.
- Reduce oven to 180°C/160°C fan-forced. Return baking dish to the oven and bake until tomatoes are softened, a further 50-55 minutes.
- Remove from oven. Uncover, then gently stir meatballs and sauce. Return
  to the oven. Bake, uncovered, until sauce is slightly thickened, a further
  10-15 minutes.



## Serve up

- Divide spaghetti and sauce between bowls. Top with slow-cooked Italian beef meatballs.
- Sprinkle with grated Parmesan cheese to serve. Enjoy!



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