Lancashire Hotpot with Braised Red Cabbage

(Serves 6)

Ingredients

- 750g diced lamb
- 3 medium potatoes, thinly sliced
- 2 medium carrots, sliced
- 2 small onions, sliced
- 30g plain flour
- sea salt flakes and freshly cracked black pepper
- 250ml lamb or beef stock
- 25g butter

Braised Red Cabbage

- 500g red cabbage, fine shredded
- 1 cooking apple, peeled and diced
- 1 small onion, sliced
- 25g unsalted butter
- 1 tbsp soft brown sugar
- 1 tsp cider/white wine vinegar
- zest of a lemon
- 75ml red wine
- 1 cinnamon stick

Method

- 1. Preheat the BBQ to 160c/325f roasting/indirect heat with the lid down and vents open as applicable.
- 2. Put the flour in a large bowl with the salt and pepper and mix. Add the diced lamb and tumble in the flour to coat thoroughly.
- 3. Assemble the hotpot in a <u>4 litre Dutch oven</u> or oven dish and season each layer with extra salt and pepper. Begin by fanning a layer of potatoes on the base, followed by half the onion and carrot. Next add the floured lamb pieces to the dish before topping with the remaining carrots, onions and a final layer of potato slices.

4. Add the hot stock to the dish, dot the top with butter and give one last seasoning.



- 5. With the lid off the dish place it on the BBQ in the area of roasting / indirect heat and close the lid. Cook for 2 hours before checking and basting the top potato layer with a little extra butter. If the potatoes colour a little quickly cover the dish with a sheet of foil and continue cooking.
- 6. To make the braised red cabbage place a dish or ovenproof pan on the roasting / indirect area and add the butter. Once the butter has melted add the sliced onion, stir and sweat with the lid down for 5-10 minutes.
- 7. Add the remaining ingredients to the cabbage dish, place a piece of parchment on the surface of the cabbage and cover with a lid. Cook for an hour, stirring occasionally to prevent the dish from catching on the bottom, until the cabbage has softened to a gorgeous silky pile of cabbage slithers, perfect to accompany your hotpot!
- 8. The Hotpot will need 2-2.5 hours cooking time but to check everything is cooked thoroughly use a <u>digital temperature probe</u> without disturbing the top layer too much and skewer a few pieces of lamb, which should have a temperature of 95c/205f for that perfect melt-in-the-mouth texture.
- 9. Remove and serve with the spiced braised red cabbage.

