

# **Roast Leg of Lamb with Rich Gravy**

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Tender Roast Leg of Lamb coated with a simple but flavourful herb and lemon rub and served with rich, meaty gravy.

Course Dinner Cuisine British

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**Prep Time** 15 minutes **Cook Time** 2 hours **Resting time** 30 minutes

**Total Time** 2 hours 45 minutes

Servings 6

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#### **Ingredients**

- 2 kg leg of lamb
- 1 tbsp olive oil
- ½ tsp garlic salt
- ½ tsp Maldon salt
- ½ tsp black pepper
- 1 tsp dried rosemary
- 1 tsp dried thyme
- Finely grated zest of 1 lemon

#### For the gravy:

- Meat juices from your roasted lamb
- 2 lamb stock cubes crumbled
- 1 beef stock cube crumbled
- 3 cups 720ml hot vegetable stock from your boiled/steamed vegetables and potatoes
- ¼ tsp salt
- 1/4 tsp black pepper
- 2 tbsp cornflour/cornstarch
- 5 tbsp cold water

#### **Instructions**

- 1. Remove the lamb from the fridge about an hour before cooking to allow it to come up to room temperature.
- 2. Preheat the oven to 180C/350F

- 3. Mix together the olive oil, garlic salt, salt, pepper, rosemary, thyme and lemon zest to form a thick paste.
- 4. Spread the paste all over the lamb.
- 5. Place the lamb in a large roasting tin and place in the oven. Cook for 2 hours (this will cook it to medium).
- 6. Remove from the oven and place on a warm plate to rest for 30 minutes.
- 7. To make the gravy, place the roasting tin on the hob (or transfer the meat juices to a saucepan be sure to scrape up any bits from the tin that's where all the flavour is).
- 8. Sprinkle on the crumbled stock cubes.
- 9. Stir together whilst pouring in the hot vegetable water. Bring to the boil and lightly season with salt and pepper.
- 10. Stir in a the cornstarch slurry using a whisk, until the gravy thickens. Allow to bubble then turn off the heat.
- 11. Serve the roast lamb with the gravy, mint sauce, <u>roast potatoes</u>, <u>carrots</u> and green veg such as green beans or <u>sprouts</u>.

#### **Notes**

### The Lamb:

Go for grass-fed lamb for the absolute best flavour. You're looking for a lamb leg with a layer of fat on the outside, and lightly marbled with fat on the inside.

Welsh lamb is my favourite, but New Zealand lamb is great too.

## Different lamb leg size?

Here are the recommended cooking times for full leg and half leg joints:

**Medium:** Cook for 25 minutes per 500g (1.1lbs), **plus** an extra 20-25 minutes at 180C/350F - until the internal temperature of the lamb is 60C.

**Well done:** Cook for 30 minutes per 500g (1.1lbs), **plus** an extra 25-30 minutes at 180C/350F - until the internal temperature of the lamb is 70C.

# Nutritional information is per serving including gravy.

#### **Nutritional Information**

Calories: 304kcal | Carbohydrates: 3g | Protein: 44g | Fat: 12g | Saturated Fat: 4g | Cholesterol: 134mg | Sodium: 1102mg | Potassium: 607mg | Fiber: 1g | Sugar: 1g | Calcium: 20mg | Iron: 4mg



