

## ROAST STUFFED TURKEY THIGHS

3 HATS

## INGREDIENTS:-

- 2 turkey thighs, skin on, bones removed
- 8 slices jamon, thin cut
- 25 gr unsalted butter
- 1 medium onion, peeled & fine chopped
- 1 garlic clove, peeled, crushed & chopped
- 50 gr chestnuts or macadamias, roughly chopped
- 50 gr dried cranberries
- 2 x quality pork sausages, uncooked
- 100 gr white breadcrumbs, coarse and from a day old loaf
- 1 medium egg, beaten
- Teaspoon fresh thyme, leaves picked and chopped
- 3 leaves fresh sage, rough chopped
- 1 dstsp fresh parsley, rough chopped

## METHOD:-

- Melt the butter in a large pan, add the onions and garlic cook gently for 8 minutes until softened and only lightly coloured. Add the nuts of your choice and cranberries and cook for a further 2 minutes. Allow to cool completely.
- Remove the sausages from their casings. Place the meat in a large bowl and break up with a spatula. Add the nut mixture, breadcrumbs, egg and chopped herbs, season with salt and pepper and mix thoroughly.

- 3. Cover with cling film and put in the fridge, can be left overnight if wished
- 4. Open out the boned turkey thighs, season lightly with salt and pepper. Roll a hand full of the stuffing between your palms to form a thick roll that fits across the opened thigh. Roll up into a neat even sized cylinder. Repeat with the other thigh.
- 5. Wrap and roll up tightly, each thigh, in a sheet of cling film. Then repeat with a sheet of foil.
- 6. Put the rolls into a deep saucepan and top up with cold water. Place on hob and bring to a gentle simmer. Cover pan with a lid and cook for 2 hours. Take pan from heat and leave to stand still covered for another 2 hours.
- 7. Remove the stuffed thighs and leave wrapped and put in the fridge over night to chill right through and set, also the flavours will develop and deepen.
- 8. To Finish set the oven to 180°C Unwrap the foil from the rolled thighs. Cut away the cling film. Place the rolls onto a non stick roasting tray, drizzle with a little vegetable oil and put in the pre set oven. Roast for 40 minutes.
- Remove from oven and allow to rest covered loosely for 25 minutes in a warm place. Carve into thick slices using a sharp knife.Serve alone or with a few slices of roast turkey breast veggies and a good gravy.

MARTIN'S TIP:- Martin says "try these stuffed thighs as a cold cut after the initial cooking and roasting — allow to cool then fridge to firm up. Slice a little thinner and serve with pickles, chutneys and relishes along with a hunk of crusty bread and a crisp salad"

Tip — flavour the stuffing your own way adding other dried fruits, nuts and herbs. The jamon around the thighs is optional but I think adds a distinct taste.

