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16	TASHA MILLER, an individual, Case No.:			
17	Plaintiff,	COMPLAINT AND DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL		
18	V.	Strict Products Liability		
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	PICK FIVE IMPORTS, INC. d/b/a MAXI-	2. Negligent Products Liability		
20	MATIC U.S.A., INC, a California corporation; and DOES 1-100, inclusive,  Defendants.	3. Breach of Express Warranty		
21 22		4. Breach of Implied Warranty of Merchantability		
23		5. Breach of Implied Warranty of Fitness for a Particular Purpose		
24		6. Violations of California Civil Code § 1750		
25		et. seq.		
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27	Plaintiff, TASHA MILLER (hereafter	referred to as "Plaintiff"). by and through her		
27		referred to as "Plaintiff"), by and through her		

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the following Complaint and Demand for Jury Trial against Defendants PICK FIVE IMPORTS, INC. d/b/a MAXI-MATIC U.S.A., INC. (hereafter referred to as "Defendant Maxi-Matic") and **DOES 1-100** (hereafter referred to as "Doe Defendants") (collectively referred to as "Defendants"), alleges the following upon personal knowledge and belief, and investigation of counsel:

### NATURE OF THE CASE

- 1. Defendant Maxi-Matic designs, manufactures, markets, imports, distributes and sells a wide-range of consumer kitchen products, including the subject "Elite Bistro Pressure Cooker," which specifically includes the Model Number EPC-816 (referred to hereafter as "pressure cooker(s)") that is at issue in this case.
- Defendant Maxi-Matic touts the "safety" of its pressure cookers, and states that they 2. cannot be opened while in use. Despite Defendant's claims of "safety," it designed, manufactured, marketed, imported, distributed and sold, both directly and through third-party retailers, a product that suffers from serious and dangerous defects. Said defects cause significant risk of bodily harm and injury to its consumers.
- 3. Specifically, said defects manifest themselves when, despite Defendant's statements, the lid of the pressure cooker is removable with built-up pressure, heat and steam still inside the unit. When the lid is removed under such circumstances, the pressure trapped within the unit causes the scalding hot contents to be projected from the unit and into the surrounding area, including onto the unsuspecting consumers, their families and other bystanders. The Plaintiff in this case was able to remove the lid while the pressure cooker retained pressure, causing her serious and substantial bodily injuries and damages including, but not limited to, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> degree burns to her chest and abdomen.
- 4. Defendant knew or should have known of these defects, but has nevertheless put profit ahead of safety by continuing to sell its pressure cookers to consumers, failing to warn said consumers of the serious risks posed by the defects, and failing to recall the dangerously defective pressure cookers regardless of the risk of significant injuries to Plaintiff and consumers like her.

See, e.g. Elite Bistro EPC-816 Owner's Manual, pgs. 13, 14. A copy of the Owner's Manual is attached hereto as "Exhibit A".

- 5. Defendant ignored and/or concealed their knowledge of these defects in its pressure cookers from the Plaintiff in this case, as well as the public in general, in order to continue generating a profit from the sale of said pressure cookers, demonstrating a callous, reckless, willful, depraved indifference to the health, safety and welfare of Plaintiff and consumers like her.
- 6. As a direct and proximate result of Defendant's conduct, the Plaintiff in this case incurred significant and painful bodily injuries, medical expenses, lost wages, physical pain, mental anguish, and diminished enjoyment of life.

### PLAINTIFF TASHA MILLER

- 7. Plaintiff is a resident and citizen of the city of Oklahoma City, County of Cleveland, State of Oklahoma.
- 8. On or about January 4, 2016, Plaintiff purchased a new pressure cooker, Model No. EPC-816.
- 9. On or about December 17, 2017, Plaintiff suffered serious and substantial burn injuries as the direct and proximate result of the pressure cooker's lid being able to be rotated and opened while the pressure cooker was still under pressure, during the normal, directed use of the pressure cooker, allowing its scalding hot contents to be forcefully ejected from the pressure cooker and onto Plaintiff. The incident occurred as a result of the failure of the pressure cooker's supposed "safety feature[s]," which purport to keep the consumer safe while using the pressure cooker. In addition, the incident occurred as the result of Defendant's failure to redesign the pressure cooker, despite the existence of economical, safer alternative designs.

### **DEFENDANTS MAXI-MATIC U.S.A., INC. & DOES 1 - 100**

10. Defendant Maxi-Matic designs, manufactures, markets, imports, distributes and sells a variety of consumer kitchen products including pressure cookers, air fryers, and blenders, amongst others. Defendant Maxi-Matic is a California corporation, with is principal place of business and registered service address at 18401 Arenth Avenue, STE. B, City of Industry, California 91748.

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## JURISDICTION AND VENUE

Plaintiff is ignorant of the identities of Doe Defendants, and therefore sues these

defendants by such fictitious names. The Doe Defendants may be individuals, partnerships, or

corporations. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that at all times mentioned

herein, each of the Doe Defendants were the parent, subsidiary, agent, servant, employee, co-

venturer, and/or co-conspirator of the other Defendant Maxi-Matic and were at all times mentioned,

acting within the scope, purpose, consent, knowledge, ratification and authorization of such agency,

employment, joint venture and conspiracy. Plaintiff will amend this Complaint to allege their true

names and capacities when ascertained. Plaintiff is informed and believes and thereon alleges that

each of the fictitiously named Doe Defendants are responsible in some manner for the occurrences

herein alleged, and that Plaintiff's damages as herein alleged was proximately caused by their

- 12. Venue is proper in this Court in that Defendant Maxi-Matic resides in Los Angeles County.
- 13. Jurisdiction in this Court is proper in that Defendant Maxi-Matic is located and regularly conducts business here and is subject to general and specific personal jurisdiction in this Court. Defendant Maxi-Matic's negligent and wrongful acts or omissions caused tortious injury in the State of California and are subject to personal jurisdiction in this Court.
- 14. Jurisdiction in this Court is also proper in that Doe Defendants have purposely availed themselves to the privilege of conducting business in the State of California and are therefore subject to specific personal jurisdiction in this Court. Doe Defendants' negligent and wrongful acts or omissions caused tortious injury in the State of California and are therefore subject to personal jurisdiction in this Court.

### **FACTUAL BACKGROUND**

15. Defendant Maxi-Matic is engaged in the business of designing, manufacturing, warranting, marketing, importing, distributing and selling the pressure cookers at issue in this litigation.

- 16. Defendant Maxi-Matic aggressively warrants, markets, advertises and sells its pressure cookers as "advanced technology" <sup>3</sup> allowing consumers to cook "faster and healthier." <sup>4</sup>
- 17. According to the Owner's Manual accompanying each individual unit sold, the pressure cookers purport to be designed with a "safety feature" and that prevents the lid from opening until all pressure is released; misleading the consumer into believing that the pressure cookers are reasonably safe for their normal, intended use.
- 18. By reason of the forgoing acts or omissions, the Plaintiff and/or her family purchased the pressure cooker with the reasonable expectation that it was properly designed and manufactured, free from defects of any kind, and that it was safe for its intended, foreseeable use of cooking.
- 19. Plaintiff used her pressure cooker for its intended purpose of preparing meals for herself and/or family and did so in a manner that was reasonable and foreseeable by the Defendants.
- 20. However, the aforementioned pressure cooker was defectively and negligently designed and manufactured by the Defendants in that they failed to properly function as to prevent the lid from being removed with normal force while the unit remained pressurized, despite the appearance that all the pressure had been released, during the ordinary, foreseeable and proper use of cooking food with the product; placing the Plaintiff, her family, and similar consumers in danger while using the pressure cookers.
- 21. Defendants' pressure cookers possess defects that make them unreasonably dangerous for their intended use by consumers because the lid can be rotated and opened while the unit remains pressurized.
- 22. Further, Defendants' representations about "safety" are not just misleading, they are flatly wrong, and put innocent consumers like Plaintiff directly in harm's way.
- 23. Economic, safer alternative designs were available that could have prevented the Pressure Cooker's lid from being rotated and opened while pressurized.

 $||_{5} Id.$  at pg. 13.

<sup>3</sup> *Id.* at pg. 6.

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- 24. Defendants knew or should have known that its pressure cookers possessed defects that pose a serious safety risk to Plaintiff and the public. Nevertheless, Defendants continue to ignore and/or conceal its knowledge of the pressure cookers' defects from the general public and continues to generate a substantial profit from the sale of their pressure cookers, demonstrating a callous, reckless, willful, depraved indifference to the health, safety and welfare of Plaintiff and consumers like her.
- 25. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants intentional concealment of such defects, its failure to warn consumers of such defects, its negligent misrepresentations, its failure to remove a product with such defects from the stream of commerce, and its negligent design of such products, Plaintiff used an unreasonably dangerous pressure cooker, which resulted in significant and painful bodily injuries upon Plaintiff's simple removal of the lid of the Pressure Cooker.
- 26. Consequently, the Plaintiff in this case seeks compensatory damages resulting from the use of Defendants' pressure cooker as described above, which has caused the Plaintiff to suffer from serious bodily injuries, medical expenses, lost wages, physical pain, mental anguish, diminished enjoyment of life, and other damages.

### FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION

### **STRICT PRODUCTS LIABILITY**

PLAINTIFF, FOR A FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION AGANST PICK FIVE IMPORTS, INC. d/b/a MAXI-MATIC U.S.A., INC, and DOES 1-100, INCLUSIVE, ALLEGES AS FOLLOWS:

- 27. Plaintiff incorporates by reference each preceding and succeeding paragraph as though set forth fully at length herein.
- 28. At the time of Plaintiff's injuries, Defendants' pressure cookers were defective and unreasonably dangerous for use by foreseeable consumers, including Plaintiff.
- 29. Defendants' pressure cookers were in the same or substantially similar condition as when they left the possession of the Defendants.
  - 30. Plaintiff and her family did not misuse or materially alter the pressure cooker.
- 31. The pressure cookers did not perform as safely as an ordinary consumer would have expected them to perform when used in a reasonably foreseeable way.

- 32. Further, a reasonable person would conclude that the possibility and serious of harm outweighs the burden or cost of making the pressure cookers safe. Specifically:
  - a. The pressure cookers designed, manufactured, sold, and supplied by Defendants were defectively designed and placed into the stream of commerce in a defective and unreasonably dangerous condition for consumers;
  - b. The seriousness of the potential burn injuries resulting from the product drastically outweighs any benefit that could be derived from its normal, intended use;
  - c. Defendants failed to properly market, design, manufacture, distribute, supply, and sell the pressure cookers, despite having extensive knowledge that the aforementioned injuries could and did occur;
  - d. Defendants failed to warn and place adequate warnings and instructions on the pressure cookers;
  - e. Defendants failed to adequately test the pressure cookers; and
  - f. Defendants failed to market an economically feasible alternative design, despite the existence of economical, safer alternatives, that could have prevented the Plaintiff' injuries and damages.
- 33. Defendants actions and omissions were the direct and proximate cause of the Plaintiff's injuries and damages.
- 34. Defendants conduct, as described above, was extreme and outrageous. Defendants risked the safety and well-being of the consumers and users of their pressure cookers, including the Plaintiff to this action, with the knowledge of the safety and efficacy problems and suppressed this knowledge from the public. Defendants made conscious decisions not to redesign, warn or inform the unsuspecting consuming public. Defendants' outrageous conduct warrants an award of punitive damages.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff demands judgment against Defendants for compensatory and punitive damages, together with interest, costs of suit, attorneys' fees, and all such other relief as the Court deems proper.

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### SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION

### NEGLIGENT PRODUCTS LIABILITY

PLAINTIFF, FOR A SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION AGANST PICK FIVE IMPORTS, INC. d/b/a MAXI-MATIC U.S.A., INC, and DOES 1-100, INCLUSIVE, ALLEGES AS FOLLOWS:

Plaintiff incorporates by reference each preceding and succeeding paragraph as though set forth fully at length herein.

- 35. Defendants had a duty of reasonable care to design, manufacture, market, and sell non-defective pressure cookers that are reasonably safe for their intended uses by consumers, such as Plaintiff and her family.
- 36. Defendants failed to exercise ordinary care in the manufacture, sale, warnings, quality assurance, quality control, distribution, advertising, promotion, sale and marketing of its pressure cookers in that Defendants knew or should have known that said pressure cookers created a high risk of unreasonable harm to the Plaintiff and consumers alike.
- 37. Defendants were negligent in the design, manufacture, advertising, warning, marketing and sale of its pressure cookers in that, among other things, they:
  - a. Failed to use due care in designing and manufacturing the pressure cookers to avoid the aforementioned risks to individuals;
  - b. Placed an unsafe product into the stream of commerce;
  - c. Aggressively over-promoted and marketed its pressure cookers through television, social media, and other advertising outlets; and
  - d. Were otherwise careless or negligent.
- 38. Despite the fact that Defendants knew or should have known that consumers were able to remove the lid while the pressure cookers were still pressurized, Defendants continued to market (and continue to do so) its pressure cookers to the general public.
- 39. Defendants conduct, as described above, was extreme and outrageous. Defendants risked the safety and well-being of the consumers and users of their pressure cookers, including the Plaintiff to this action, with the knowledge of the safety and efficacy problems and suppressed this

1	knowledge from the public. Defendants made conscious decisions not to redesign, warn or inform		
2	the unsuspecting consuming public. Defendants' outrageous conduct warrants an award of punitive		
3	damages.		
4	WHEREFORE, Plaintiff demands judgment against Defendants for compensatory and		
5	punitive damages, together with interest, costs of suit, attorneys' fees, and all such other relief as		
6	the Court deems proper.		
7	THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION		
8	BREACH OF EXPRESS WARRANTY		
9	PLAINTIFF, FOR A THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION AGANST PICK FIVE IMPORTS, INC.		
10	d/b/a MAXI-MATIC U.S.A., INC, and DOES 1-100, INCLUSIVE, ALLEGES AS FOLLOWS:		
11	40. Plaintiff incorporates by reference each preceding and succeeding paragraph as		
12	though set forth fully at length herein.		
13	41. Defendants expressly warranted that its pressure cookers were safe and effective to		
14	members of the consuming public, including Plaintiff and her family. Moreover, Defendants		
15	expressly warranted that the lid of the pressure cooker could not be removed while the unit remained		
16	pressurized. For example, the pressure cooker Owner's Manual states that "[a]s a safety feature, the		
17	lid will not open unless all pressure is released."		
18	42. Members of the consuming public, including consumers such as the Plaintiff, were		
19	the intended third-party beneficiaries of the warranty.		
20	43. Defendants marketed, promoted and sold its pressure cookers as a safe product,		
21	complete with "safety features."		
22	44. Defendants' pressure cookers do not conform to these express representations		
23	because the lid can be removed using normal force while the units remain pressurized, despite the		
24	appearance that the pressure has been released, making the pressure cookers not safe for use by		
25	consumers.		
26	45. Defendants breached their express warranties in one or more of the following ways:		
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- a. The pressure cookers as designed, manufactured, sold and/or supplied by the Defendants, were defectively designed and placed into the stream of commerce by Defendants in a defective and unreasonably dangerous condition;
- Defendants failed to warn and/or place adequate warnings and instructions on their pressure cookers;
- c. Defendants failed to adequately test its pressure cookers; and
- d. Defendants failed to provide timely and adequate post-marketing warnings and instructions after they knew the risk of injury from their pressure cookers.
- 46. Plaintiff used the pressure cooker with the reasonable expectation that it was properly designed and manufactured, free from defects of any kind, and that it was safe for its intended, foreseeable use of cooking.
- 47. Plaintiff's injuries were the direct and proximate result of Defendants' breach of their express warranties.
- 48. Defendants' conduct, as described above, was extreme and outrageous. Defendants risked the safety and well-being of the consumers and users of its pressure cookers, including the Plaintiff to this action, with the knowledge of the safety and efficacy problems and suppressed this knowledge from the public. Defendants made conscious decisions not to redesign, warn or inform the unsuspecting consuming public. Defendants' outrageous conduct warrants an award of punitive damages.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff demands judgment against Defendants for compensatory and punitive damages, together with interest, costs of suit, attorneys' fees, and all such other relief as the Court deems proper.

### FOURTH CAUSE OF ACTION

### BREACH OF IMPLIED WARRANTY OF MERCHANTABILITY

PLAINTIFF, FOR A FOURTH CAUSE OF ACTION AGANST PICK FIVE IMPORTS, INC. d/b/a MAXI-MATIC U.S.A., INC, and DOES 1-100, INCLUSIVE, ALLEGES AS FOLLOWS:

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### FIFTH CAUSE OF ACTION

### BREACH OF IMPLIED WARRANTY OF FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE

PLAINTIFF, FOR A FIFTH CAUSE OF ACTION AGANST PICK FIVE IMPORTS, INC. d/b/a MAXI-MATIC U.S.A., INC, and DOES 1-100, INCLUSIVE, ALLEGES AS FOLLOWS:

- 57. Plaintiff incorporates by reference each preceding and succeeding paragraph as though set forth fully at length herein.
- 58. Defendants manufactured, supplied, and sold their pressure cookers with an implied warranty that they were fit for the particular purpose of cooking quickly, efficiently and safely.
- 59. Members of the consuming public, including consumers such as Plaintiff, were the intended third-party beneficiaries of the warranty.
- 60. Defendants' pressure cookers were not fit for the particular purpose as a safe means of cooking, due to the unreasonable risks of bodily injury associated with their use.
- 61. Plaintiff reasonably relied on Defendants' representations that its pressure cookers were a quick, effective and safe means of cooking.
- 62. Defendants' breach of the implied warranty of fitness for a particular purpose was the direct and proximate cause of Plaintiff's injuries and damages.
- 63. Defendants' conduct, as described above, was extreme and outrageous. Defendants risked the safety and well-being of the consumers and users of its pressure cookers, including the Plaintiff to this action, with the knowledge of the safety and efficacy problems and suppressed this knowledge from the public. Defendants made conscious decisions not to redesign, warn or inform the unsuspecting consuming public. Defendants' outrageous conduct warrants an award of punitive damages.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff demands judgment against Defendants for compensatory and punitive damages, together with interest, costs of suit, attorneys' fees, and all such other relief as the Court deems proper.

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### SIXTH CAUSE OF ACTION

### VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA CIVIL CODE SECTION 1750, et. seq.

PLAINTIFF, FOR A SIXTH CAUSE OF ACTION AGANST PICK FIVE IMPORTS, INC. d/b/a MAXI-MATIC U.S.A., INC, and DOES 1-100, INCLUSIVE, ALLEGES AS FOLLOWS:

- 64. Plaintiff incorporates by reference each preceding and succeeding paragraph as though set forth fully at length herein.
- 65. California Business and Professions Code Section 17500 provides that it is unlawful for a corporation "to induce the public to enter into any obligation relating thereto, to make or disseminate or cause to be made or disseminated ... from this state before the public in any state, in any newspaper or other publication, or any advertising device, or by public outcry or proclamation, or in any other manner or means whatever, including over the Internet, any statement ... which is untrue or misleading, and which is known, or which by the exercise of reasonable care should be known, to be untrue or misleading ..."
- 66. Defendants' representations, including statements made in Defendant's television, radio, and print advertising, websites, brochures, and all other written and oral materials disseminated by Defendants contained statements that were false, misleading, or that omitted material information that Defendants were under a duty to disclose and which were known or should have been known to Defendant to be false, misleading or deceptive.
- 67. Specifically, Defendants warranted and represented that their pressure cookers were safe and free of defects in materials and workmanship and that they possessed certain "safety features".
- 68. Defendants warranties and representations that their pressure cookers were safe and free from defects, including that they possessed "safety features," would influence a reasonable consumer's decision whether to purchase and use the pressure cookers.
- 69. Defendants' failure to warn of its pressure cookers defects was a material omission that would influence a reasonable consumer's decision whether to purchase its pressure cookers.

- 70. Plaintiff's mother and/or her family relied on the truth of Defendants' warranties and representations concerning the pressure cookers, and Plaintiff suffered personal damages as result of this reliance.
- 71. Had Plaintiff' and/or her family been adequately warned concerning the likelihood that the pressure cooker's lid could be removed while pressurized, they would have taken steps to avoid damages by not using this product.
- 72. As a result of these violations of consumer protection laws, the Plaintiff in this case has incurred and will incur: serious physical injury, pain, suffering, loss of opportunity, loss of family and social relationships, and medical and hospital expenses and other expense related to the diagnosis and treatment thereof, for which the Defendants are liable.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff demands judgment against Defendants for compensatory and punitive damages, together with interest, costs of suit, attorneys' fees, and all such other relief as the Court deems proper.

### **INJURIES & DAMAGES**

- 73. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' negligence and wrongful misconduct as described herein, Plaintiff has suffered and will continue to suffer physical and emotional injuries and damages including past, present, and future physical and emotional pain and suffering as a result of the incident on or about December 17, 2017. Plaintiff is entitled to recover damages from Defendants for these injuries in an amount which shall be proven at trial.
- 74. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' negligence and wrongful misconduct, as set forth herein, Plaintiff has incurred and will continue to incur the loss of full enjoyment of life and disfigurement as a result of the incident on or about December 17, 2017. Plaintiff is entitled to recover damages for loss of the full enjoyment of life and disfigurement from Defendants in an amount to be proven at trial.
- 75. As a direct and proximate cause of Defendants' negligence and wrongful misconduct, as set forth herein, Plaintiff has and will continue to incur expenses for medical care and treatment, as well as other expenses, as a result of the severe burns she suffered as a result of the incident on or about December 17, 2017. Plaintiff is entitled to recover damages from

1	Defendants f	For her past, present and future medical and other expenses in an amount which shall be		
2	proven at tria	al.		
3		PRAYER FOR RELIEF		
4	WHEREFORE, Plaintiff demands judgment against the Defendants as follows:			
5	A.	That Plaintiff has a trial by jury on all of the claims and issues;		
6	B.	That judgment be entered in favor of the Plaintiff and against Defendants on all of		
7		the aforementioned claims and issues;		
8	C.	That Plaintiff recover all damages against Defendants, general damages and special		
9		damages, including economic and non-economic, to compensate the Plaintiff for her		
10		injuries and suffering sustained because of the use of the Defendants' defective		
11		pressure cooker;		
12	D.	That punitive or exemplary damages be awarded according to proof;		
13	E.	That all costs be taxed against Defendants;		
14	F.	That prejudgment interest be awarded according to proof;		
15	G.	That Plaintiff be awarded attorney's fees to the extent permissible under California		
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1	H. That this Court awards any other relief that it may deem equitable and just, or that		
2	may be available under the law of another forum to the extent the law of anothe		
3	forum is applied, including but not limited to all reliefs prayed for in this Complain		
$_4$	and in the foregoing Prayer for Relief.		
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### **DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL** 1 2Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 38, Plaintiff demands a trial by jury of all the 3 claims asserted in this Complaint so triable. 4 5 6 Dated: November 9, 2019 HARLAN LAW, PC 7 By: 8 Jordon R. Harlan, Esq. 9 In association with: 10 JOHNSON BECKER, PLLC 11 Kenneth W. Pearson, Esq. (MN #016088X) 12 Pro Hac Vice to be filed Adam J. Kress, Esq. (MN #0397289) 13 Pro Hac Vice to be filed 444 Cedar Street, Suite 1800 14 St. Paul, MN 55101 15 Telephone: (612) 436-1800 Fax: (612) 436-1801 16 Email: kpearson@johnsonbecker.com Email: akress@johnsonbecker.com 17 18 Attorneys for Plaintiff 19 20 21 22 23 2425 26 27

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# 8 QT. DIGITAL PRESSURE COOKER

Model: EPC-816(A~Z)

### INSTRUCTION MANUAL

Before operating your new appliance, please read all instructions carefully and keep for future reference.









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## **IMPORTANT SAFEGUARDS**

When using pressure cookers, basic safety precautions should always be followed:

- 1. Read all instructions before operation.
- 2. Do not operate while unattended.
- 3. Do not touch hot surfaces. Use handles or knobs.
- 4. Close supervision is necessary when the pressure cooker is used near children.
- 5. DO NOT allow children to operate under any circumstance.
- 6. Do not place the pressure cooker in a heated oven.
- 7. Extreme caution must be used when moving a pressure cooker containing hot liquids.
- 8. Do not use pressure cooker for other than intended use.
- 9. Never immerse product in water or other liquids.
- 10. This appliance cooks under pressure. Improper use may result in scalding injury.
- 11. Make certain unit is properly closed before operating. See" Operating Instructions".
- 12. Do not fill the unit over 2/3 full. When cooking foods that expand during cooking such as rice or dried vegetables, do not fill the unit over 1/2 full. Over filling may cause a risk of clogging the vent pipe and developing excess pressure. Failure to follow this procedure can result in injury to person(s) and/or damage to the unit.
- 13. Be aware that certain foods, such as applesauce, cranberries, pearl barley, oatmeal or other cereals, split peas, noodles, macaroni, rhubarb, or spaghetti can foam, froth, and sputter, and clog the pressure release device (steam vent). These foods should not be cooked in a pressure cooker.
- 14. When the normal operating pressure is reached, turn the heat down so all the liquid which creates the steam does not evaporate.
- 15. Always check the pressure release devices for clogging before use.
- 16. Do not open the pressure cooker until the unit has cooled and all internal pressure has been released. If the handles are difficult to push apart, this indicates that the cooker is still pressurized do not force it open. Any pressure in the cooker can be hazardous. See Operating Instructions.
- 17. Do not use this pressure cooker for pressure frying with oil.
- 18. DO NOT place the product near flammable materials or use in a humid environment.
- 19. DO NOT damage the Seal Belt and DO NOT replace it with anything other than the replacement belt designated for this unit.
- 20. DO NOT tamper with the Steel Ring in the Lid (2) with any tools or external forces. If the Steel Ring is damaged, please stop using immediately and replace the Lid.
- 21. Clean the Filter (17) regularly to keep the cooker clean.
- 22. NEVER use additional weight on the Pressure Limiting Valve (3) or replace the Pressure Limiting Valve (3) with anything not intended for use with this unit.
- 23. The surface of contact between the Inner Pot (6) and inner surface of Main Body (13) should always be clean. DO NOT use the Inner Pot with other heating sources. DO NOT replace the Inner Pot with a container other than what is recommended by the manufacturer.
- 24. The Inner Pot consists of a non-stick layer surface. To avoid scratching the non-stick surface, please use wooden or plastic utensils.

## **IMPORTANT SAFEGUARDS**

- 25. Food should not be kept warm for more than 4 hours in order to maintain the freshness of the food. The pressure cooker should not be used for more than 6 hours continuously. Serious Injury and/or damage may occur if any safeguards are ignored.
- 26. If steam releases around the Lid (2) during the cooking process, please unplug from the power supply immediately, let cool, remove contents and return the product to the manufacturer for exchange or repair. The Pressure Discharging Device has activated. This is a safeguard to alert the user that the Pressure Limiting Device is malfunctioning
- 27. If there is any malfunction of the cooker during the cooking process, please stop using the device and return to the manufacturer for repair or exchange.
- 28. Do not let cord hang over edge of table or counter, or touch hot surfaces.
- 29. Unplug from outlet when not in use and before cleaning. Allow to cool before putting on or taking off parts.
- 30. Do not operate this appliance with a damaged cord or plug or after it malfunctions or has been damaged in any manner. Bring it to a qualified technician for examination, repair or electrical or mechanical adjustment. DO NOT disassemble the product, or replace parts with parts not intended for this unit.
- 31. Always attach plug to appliance first, then plug cord into the wall outlet. To disconnect, turn any control to off, then remove plug from wall outlet.
- 32. Do not use outdoors.
- 33. Do not place on or near a hot gas or electric burner, or in a heated oven.
- 34. Any other servicing should be performed by an authorized service representative.
- 35. The use of accessory attachments not recommended by the appliance manufacturer may cause injuries.
- 36. Some countertop and table surfaces, such as Corian®, wood and / or laminates, are not designed to withstand prolonged heat generated by certain appliances. It is recommended by countertop manufacturers and Maxi-Matic that a hot pad or trivet be placed under your appliance to prevent possible damage to the surface.

# SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS FOR HOUSEHOLD USE ONLY

### SAFETY WARNING

- There is a potential risk of fire, electric shock or injury to persons if the product is not used as instructed. Protection against electric shock is assured only if the main power cord is connected to a properly grounded 120V | 60Hz power receptacle.
- This product is to be used in an indoor environment only and is not intended for commercial use. Dry locations only.
- All parts and accessories for this appliance must be used properly according to the
  instructions. All parts and accessories must be the original provided from
  manufacturer. All other parts or accessories that is not intended for use with this
  appliance is strictly prohibited.
- The use of an extension cord, power adapter or other electric devices is highly not recommended.
- CAUTION: Be sure to fully insert both ends of power plug into receptacle of pressure cooker socket and wall socket. Failure to do so could result in extreme over-heating of power cord.
- IMPORTANT: This is NOT a Stovetop Pressure Cooker. Under NO circumstances should this Pressure Cooker or any of its parts or components be placed ON or NEAR a Stovetop, Range, or Open Flame. Doing so will cause serious damage to the Pressure Cooker and/or injury to person.
- **NOTE:** The Inner Pot (6) consists of a non-stick surface. To avoid scratching the non-stick surface, please use wooden or plastic utensils.

### **ADDITIONAL SAFETY TIPS**

- Always keep hands and face away from Pressure Release Device when releasing pressure.
- Use extreme caution when removing the lid after cooking. Always tilt the lid away from you, so any remaining steam is away from your face.
- Never attempt to open lid while cooking, or before float valve (4) has dropped. Do not attempt to defeat this safety feature by forcing lid open.
- Do not cover or block the pressure valves.
- Do not touch the pot or lid except for the handle immediately after using.
- To avoid burns, allow food to cool before tasting. The temperature of the food gets considerably hotter than with conventional cooking.

### LED ERROR INDICATOR

- If any of the below error codes appear on the pressure cooker display, unplug the power cord and re-plug after 10 minutes. If the error code remains, contact the manufacturer for a replacement part.
- See Troubleshooting on page 31 for instructions regarding an E4 error.

Indicator Code	Problems/Causes
E1	Open Circuit of the Sensor
E2	Short Circuit of the Sensor
E3	Overheating
E4	Signal Switch Malfunction

## **SHORT CORD PURPOSE**

**NOTE:** A short power cord is provided to reduce the risk of personal injury resulting from becoming entangled in or tripping over a longer cord.

Longer power-supply cords or extension cords are available and may be used if care is exercised in their use.

If an extension cord is used: (1) the marked electrical rating of the extension cord should be at least as great as the electrical rating of the product; (2) the extension cord should be arranged so that it will not drape over the countertop or tabletop where it can unintentionally be pulled on or tripped over by children or pets.

### **POLARIZED PLUG**

If this appliance is equipped with a **polarized plug** (one blade is wider than the other), please follow the below instructions:

To reduce the risk of electrical shock, this plug is intended to fit into a polarized outlet only one way. If you are unable to fit the plug into the electrical outlet, try reversing the plug. If the plug still does not fit, contact a qualified electrician. Never use the plug with an extension cord unless the plug can be fully inserted into the extension cord. Do not alter the plug of the product or any extension cord being used with this product. Do not attempt to defeat the safety purpose of the polarized plug.

## **ABOUT YOUR PRESSURE COOKER**

This digitally controlled and automatic pressure cooker uses advanced technology so you and your family can enjoy the benefits of better, faster and healthier cooking. Your Elite Bistro Pressure Cooker seals in steam to cook hotter and faster while maintaining important nutrients for healthier meals. Cooking fast and with less water saves vital natural resources and energy! The unit features easy touch-button settings, a countdown timer, and a very large cooking pot big enough for family gatherings! It's the easiest pressure cooker to use on the market. It may seem like a complicated unit but rest assured, this pressure cooker is simple to use, makes meals quick and easy, and overall it saves you money! Please accept our thanks for purchasing an Elite Bistro Pressure Cooker and Enjoy!

### PRESSURE COOKER WITH MULTIPLE FUNCTIONS:

- Multiple functions for cooking, stewing, braising, simmering, and roasting.
- Cooking will be done automatically by selecting the different menu choices on the unit. When the food has completed its cooking cycle, there will be a (3) beep indicator, followed by the unit automatically switching to the Keep Warm mode.
- A delay timer allows the user to delay the start of cooking by up to 24-hours.
   When the timer is set, the count-down will start. At the end of the countdown, the cooker will start to heat up.
- The pressure cooker also has its own memory. During interruptions such as a
  power failure, the unit will automatically renew the cooking cycle where the
  unit left off when the power resumes.

### RAPID COOKING; TIME & POWER SAVING:

 By using high pressure (high temperature), food will be cooked much more rapidly. This will reduce the cooking time and consumption of power. For example: when cooking rice, this pressure cooker will save up to 20% of the electricity and up to 15% of the time when compared to a conventional rice cooker. When cooking stew, soups or braising meats, this cooker will save more than 40% of time and more than 45% of power as compared to a conventional slow cooker. Cooking can also be done at high altitudes.

### PRESERVES NUTRIENTS & PROMOTES HEALTHY EATING:

Airtight cooking methods preserve nutrients and original flavor of food.

## **PARTS IDENTIFICATION**



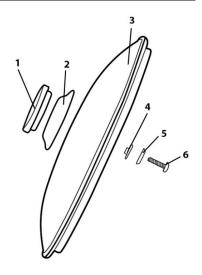
## **GLASS LID ASSEMBLY**

\*\*Your Pressure Cooker is equipped with a Tempered Glass Lid (19) that can be used with the **STEAM**, **SIMMER**, and **SLOW COOK** functions. Please **do not** use this Glass Lid (19) with any other functions on this Pressure Cooker.

Assembly of the Knob on the Glass Lid will require a Phillips Screwdriver (not included).

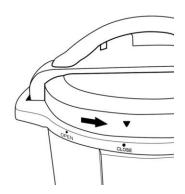
Follow the diagram on the right to assemble the knob on the Glass Lid (19).

- 1. Handle + 2. Handle Base (Pre-assembled)
- 3. Glass Lid Body
- 4. Silicon Gasket
- 5. Gasket
- 6. M4 Screw



## PRESSURE COOKER LID MARKINGS

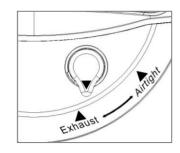
Please note the "OPEN" and "CLOSE" markings on the rim of the pressure cooker body (13) and the "\sqrt{o}" on the rim of the Lid (2). To properly close and secure the pressure cooker Lid (2), always line up the "CLOSE" marking on the Upper Ring (9) and the "\sqrt{o}" on the rim of the Lid (2).



## PRESSURE LIMITING VALVE WARNING

<u>WARNING</u>: Avoid serious injury. Always use tongs or a long kitchen tool to set the valve to EXHAUST.

<u>CAUTION HOT STEAM:</u> KEEP HANDS AND FACE AWAY FROM THE PRESSURE LIMITING VALVE WHEN ROTATING TO EXHAUST.



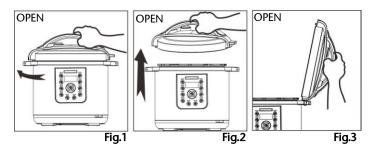
## **BEFORE FIRST USE**

Working PSI Pressure		Maximum Pressure	Keep Warm Temperature	Delay Timer
0~70kPa	12 PSI	90kPa	140°F ~ 175 °F	0.5~24 HR

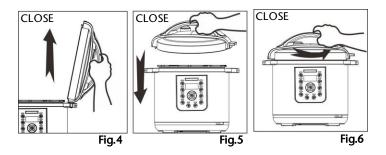
- 1. Remove packaging materials such as cardboard, plastics or Styrofoam and discard appropriately.
- 2. Clean all the parts by wiping with a soft damp cloth or sponge and dry thoroughly.

### **LID ASSEMBLY:**

**How to open the lid:** Hold the handle (1) firmly, turn the lid (2) clockwise until it loosens and lift vertically. (Figures 1-2); the lid (2) can stand on the Lid Rest (9) (Figure 3). **Note:** For new units, the seal of the lid (2) may be slightly stronger than normal and may be slightly difficult to unlock. Once the lid (2) has been opened and closed several times, it will loosen up.



**How to close the lid:** Take the lid (2) off the lid rest (9) (Figure 4), hold the handle (1) and close it downwards at the Opened Lid position (Figure 5). Turn counter-clockwise until you reach the Closed Lid position. (Figure 6)



## **BEFORE FIRST USE (CONT.)**

### RUBBER SEAL RING ASSEMBLY

Always ensure the Rubber Seal Ring (18) is securely fitted onto the metal X-Ring in the interior of the Lid (2). The Rubber Seal Ring (18) should fit around the outside of the entire X-Ring. Make sure the crease in the Rubber Seal Ring (18) meets with the X- Ring all the way around. Then place the X-Ring and Rubber Seal Ring (18) back into the Lid (2) making sure the hole in the center of the X-Ring's cross-section is lined up with the metal pin in the center of the Lid (2). Press down firmly until the X-Ring is secured onto the Lid (2). (Figures 7-8)

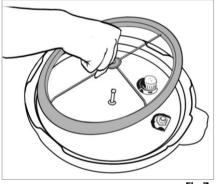




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Fig.8

### **WATER TEST**

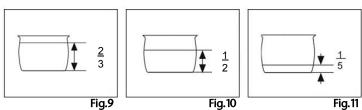
To ensure correct assembly of the Rubber Seal Ring (18), fill the Inner Pot (6) with water about 2/3 full, place the Lid on the cooker, rotate the Pressure Limiting Valve (3) to the Airtight position and run on **CANNING/PRESERVING** mode for 10 minutes. When cycle is complete, using tongs or another long kitchen tool, carefully rotate the Pressure Valve to the Exhaust position allowing all pressure to escape.

\*CAUTION HOT STEAM: KEEP HANDS AND FACE AWAY FROM THE PRESSURE LIMITING

VALVE WHEN ROTATING TO EXHAUST. Let the appliance cool to room temperature. Pour out the water. Rinse and towel dry the Inner Pot (6). The Elite Bistro pressure cooker is now ready for use.

## PREPARING YOUR PRESSURE COOKER

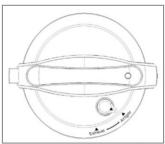
 Remove the inner pot (6) and add desired ingredients. The amount of water and food should not exceed 2/3 of the height of the inner Pot (6) (Figure 9). For food that will expand in water, the level should not exceed 1/2 of the Inner Pot (6) (Figure 10). The minimum level for cooking would be 1/5 of the Inner Pot (6) (Figure 11).



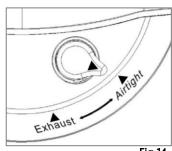
2. Be certain the inner receptacle, where the Electronic Heater is located, is clean and dry before inserting the Inner Pot (6) into the pressure cooker and adjust the pot left and right to ensure optimal contact between the Inner Pot and the Electronic Heater (Figure 12).



- 3. Closing the Lid: Make sure the Rubber Seal Ring
  (18) is fitted properly onto the X-Ring inside the lid (2). Observe
  the Rubber Seal Ring (18) inside the lid (2) and ensure that it is
  fitted onto the outer part of the X-Ring all the way around. (Caution: If the rubber seal ring is damaged, do not use the pressure cooker. Contact Customer Service to repair or replace).
- 4. Hold the handle (1) and turn it Counter-Clockwise to the "LOCKED" position. (A clamping sound can be heard.
  - Note: To ensure you are properly closing the lid (2), make sure the <u>pressure limiting</u> <u>valve</u> (3) is on your left side when you are facing the front of the pressure cooker (when facing the control panel (10)).
- 5. Adjust the Pressure Limiting Valve (3) to the "Air Tight" position, and ensure that the Float Valve (4) sinks.
- 6. When adjusting the Pressure Limiting Valve (3) to either the "Airtight" or the "Exhaust" positions, line up the marking on the Pressure Limiting Valve (3) with the arrow on the Handle (1) as shown in Figures 13 and 14.







## **OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS**

### HOW TO USE THE **MENU SELECT** FUNCTIONS:

There are ten **MENU SELECT** functions programmed for your pressure cooker. The default times are programmed for quick and easy cooking for small portions of food. (When cooking food that is more than 3lbs. or more than 6-cups, please use the Timed Cooking function.) Each of the default times is programmed to detect the weight of food being cooked and how much liquid is inside the pot during the cooking cycle. The unit will automatically build up the pressure, cook the food and go to **KEEP WARM** when cooking is complete.

DEFAULT COOK TIMES FOR MENU SELECT BUTTONS:			
BEEF/PORK	26-minutes	POTATOES	12-minutes
POULTRY	20-minutes	PASTA	15-minutes
RICE	12-minutes	BEANS	40-minutes
FISH	5-minutes	DESSERTS	18-minutes
SOUP/STEW	25-minutes	VEGETABLES	4-minutes

- 1. Prepare desired food and place into cooking pot.
- 2. Secure the Lid (2) onto the unit, turn it Counter-clockwise to lock it properly in place.
- 3. Make sure the Pressure Limiting Valve (3) is set to the "Airtight" position.
- 4. Plug the power cord into a 120V power outlet.
- 5. The LED screen will display 00 00.
- Press the MENU SELECT button to scroll through the Menu Functions. The Cook-Time will display for each selection. Press START once you have selected the desired MENU Function.
- 7. Once you press **START**, the LED screen will display <u>00 XX</u> (XX stands for the selected cook time).
- When proper pressure is achieved, the unit will beep once and the display will show P: XX. The "HOLDING PRESSURE" indicator light will illuminate and the cooktime will begin to count down (Figure 15).



Fig.15

### NOTES & TIPS #1:

When selecting a **MENU** function, the unit may take approximately 5 minutes up to 30 minutes to build up pressure depending on the quantity of food you are cooking.

### NOTES & TIPS #2:

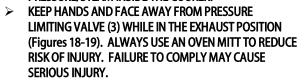
\*\*At any point during the selection process or the cooking process, you can press the **CANCEL** button to cancel your selection or to cancel the cooking process.

- 9. The unit will begin to pressure-cook the food. You may hear quiet hissing or sizzling sounds coming from inside of the unit during this time. \*\*See Notes & Tips #4 on page 15 if there is steam escaping from the Lid (2) or the Pressure Limiting Valve (3).
- 10. When cooking has completed, the pressure cooker will beep 3-times and automatically go to **KEEP WARM**. The display will show **bb**.
- 11. The **KEEP WARM** indicator light will illuminate (Figure 16) and the Pressure Cooker will begin naturally releasing the pressure. (See Notes & Tips #6 on page 15). Depending on the contents inside, natural pressure release may take some time to fully release. As a safety feature, the lid will not open unless all pressure is released Once all pressure has released the Float Valve (4).

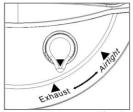


Fig.16

- the lid will not open unless all pressure is released. **DO NOT FORCE THE LID OPEN.** Once all pressure has released, the Float Valve (4) should sink and the lid should open easily. If the lid feels tight, please allow additional time for pressure to fully release before attempting to open the lid.
- 12. You may also <u>Quick Release</u> the pressure. To use <u>Quick Release</u>, move the <u>Pressure Limiting Valve</u> (3) to the "Exhaust" position to release the pressure until the Float Valve (4) sinks. (Figures 17-19)
- CAUTION HOT STEAM RISK OF SCALDING: USE TONGS OR A LONG UTENSIL AND CAREFULLY ROTATE THE PRESSURE LIMITING VALVE (3) TO THE EXHAUST POSITION (Figure 17) TO FULLY RELEASE PRESSURE/STEAM INSIDE THE COOKER.



- To avoid liquid splatter, do not use <u>Quick Release</u> for foods with a high volume of liquid (Stews, soups, porridges, etc.).
- 13. Make sure that all the steam has dissipated from the cooker. Carefully turn the handle clockwise to open. Always open the lid away from you to avoid skin contact with any remaining heat or steam.
- 14. Always be certain the pressure is released completely before unlocking the lid (2) and opening it.
- 15. Press **CANCEL** to end operation or allow the unit to remain in **KEEP WARM** mode. (It is not recommended to keep food warm for over 4-hours).



**Fig.17** 



Fig. 18



Fig. 19

### NOTES & TIPS #3:

Please note the <u>Pressure Limiting Valve</u> (3) will be loose when not in use. It will rock slightly and turn 360° manually. Once the pressure cooker is in use and has fully pressurized, the <u>Pressure Limiting Valve</u> (3) will tighten and resemble a bobble-head on the surface. Once all pressure has released, it will become loose again.

### NOTES & TIPS #4:

During the Pressurizing process, you may notice steam or pressure escape from the <u>Pressure Limiting Valve</u> (3). Carefully adjust the valve by gently tapping it side to side using tongs until it seals properly.

If steam is escaping around the lid, it means the <u>Rubber Seal Ring</u> (18) may not have formed a tight seal when the Lid (2) was locked. This can happen to brand new units. Try pressing down firmly on the Lid (2). This should allow the <u>Rubber Seal Ring</u> (18) to seal and stop any more steam from releasing.

Please note that steam escaping from the <u>Valve</u> (3) or around the lid is normal for the first 5 minutes or so during the <u>Pressurizing process</u>. If it continues beyond 10 minutes or steam is still releasing when the timer has begun counting down, press down firmly on the Lid (2) to help form a tighter seal. If this does not fix the issue, press the **KEEP WARM/CANCEL** button and follow the instructions to release all pressure before removing the lid to check the <u>Float Valve</u> (4) or the <u>Rubber Seal Ring</u> (18). See page 11 on how to install the <u>Rubber Seal Ring</u> (18). Note that the <u>Float Valve</u> (4) is properly assembled and you are able to pull it up and down with ease by grasping the <u>Float Valve Seal Ring</u> (16). Reposition and secure the lid. Start the cooking process again.

### NOTES & TIPS #5:

When cooking soups or stews with other hearty ingredients such as potatoes or meat, as much as 5 or 6 cups of liquid must be used to prevent ingredients from over-cooking or burning.

#### NOTES & TIPS #6:

<u>NATURAL RELEASE</u> is recommended when cooking foods that will not have the tendency to overcook such as Potatoes, Beans, Soups & Stews. During the Natural Release time period, the pressure cooker may still be heated and cooking the food slightly. In Natural Release, do not move the <u>Pressure Limiting Valve</u> (3) to EXHAUST immediately after cooking. Depending on the contents inside, Natural Release may take some time to fully release. Gently tap the <u>Valve</u> (3) using an oven mitt or utensil. If it is loose and turns easily and no steam is released from the <u>Valve</u> (3), then all pressure has been released. As a safety feature, the lid will not open unless all pressure is released. **Do not force the lid open.** Once all pressure has released, the Float Valve (4) should sink and the lid should open easily. If the lid feels tight, please allow additional time for pressure to fully release before attempting to open the lid.

QUICK RELEASE is recommended when cooking foods that you wish to be Medium or Medium-Rare such as Beef Roasts or Lamb. This will release the pressure quickly and prevent the food from overcooking.

CAUTION: <u>Use an oven mitt or long utensil</u>. Keep hands and face away from Pressure Limiting Valve (3) while in Exhaust position. Failure to comply may cause serious injury.

### \*\*HOW TO COOK RICE:

- When cooking rice, the maximum amount of rice allowed for this 8 quart pressure cooker is 16 cups of uncooked rice.
- Normally one cup of rice requires one cup of water. This may vary according to taste.
- Only measure rice with the included measuring cup.
- For best results rinse measured rice until the water becomes relatively clear.
- 1. Place rinsed rice in the pot, add water.
- 2. For 6 cups of uncooked rice (yields 12 cups of cooked rice), use 6 full scoops of rice to the line indicated on the measuring cup and add to inner pot.
- Add water to the 6 cup line on the markings inside the pot. Always add the rice to the pot BEFORE adding water to the pot. The water level marked on the inner pot is based upon having rice already added.
- 4. Press the **MENU SELECT** button until the **RICE** function is selected.
- Press START.
- 6. Follow steps 8-15 on pages 13-14 to finish the cooking process.

### HOW TO USE THE "PRESSURE COOK TIME" FUNCTION:

Setting your own cook time is ideal for cooking meat or poultry that weighs more than 3-pounds. It is also suggested for slow-cooking certain recipes that require cooking for more than 30-minutes. The programmed cook time can be set up to 99-minutes.

- 1. Prepare desired food and place into cooking pot.
- 2. Secure the Lid (2) onto the unit, turn it Counter-clockwise to lock it in place properly.
- 3. Make sure the Pressure Limiting Valve (3) is set to the "Airtight" position.
- 4. Plug the power cord into a 120V power outlet.
- 5. The LED screen will display <u>00 00</u>...
- 6. Press the **PRESSURE COOK TIME** button once, then press the **MIN** button to the desired time frame. Each incremental press of the button increases the cooking time by 1 minute. Hold the button down for rapid increase of cooking time. (EX: If you set the cook time to 30-minutes, the LED screen will display **P 30**).
- Once the time has been selected, press the START button and the display will show 00 30.
- 8. Follow steps 8-15 on pages 13-14 to finish the cooking process.

## HOW TO USE THE **STEAM~SIMMER~SAUTÉ** FUNCTIONS:

DEFAULT COOK TIMES:		
STEAM	20-minutes	
SIMMER	40-minutes	
SAUTÉ	5-minutes	

### \*\*STEAM FUNCTION

- 1. Place a wire rack (included) into Inner Pot.
- 2. Place heat resistant dish or container on top of wire rack.
- 3. Add water to a level just below the top of the rack.
- 4. Place food in heat resistant container on the rack. Do not fill pot more than 2/3 full with food. If steaming rice, place rice in an 8 inch or smaller bowl and place on rack.
- 5. Place the Tempered Glass Lid (19) onto the pressure cooker.
- 6. Plug the power cord into a 120V power outlet.
- 7. The LED screen will display 00 00.
- Press STEAM~SIMMER~SAUTÉ
  button once; the indicator light for
  STEAM will illuminate (Fig 20) and
  the display will show P 20 (equals
  20-minutes of cooking time).



- 9. Press the **START** button to begin steaming and the display will show <u>00</u> Fig.20 <u>20</u>. Once enough steam pressure has built up, the timer will begin counting down to zero.
- When cooking has completed, the pressure cooker will beep 3-times and automatically go to KEEP WARM. The display will show <u>bb</u> during KEEP WARM.
- 11. The **KEEP WARM** indicator light will illuminate and the Pressure Cooker will begin cooling down. This will take approximately 10-15 minutes.
- 12. Press the **CANCEL** button to end operation.
- CAUTION! Never put your face or hands directly over the cooker when removing lid, escaping steam can cause serious burn injury.

### \*\*SIMMER FUNCTION

- 1. Prepare desired food and place into cooking pot.
- 2. Place the Tempered Glass Lid (19) onto the pressure cooker.
- 3. Plug the power cord into a 120V power outlet.
- The LED screen will display
   00 00. Press STEAM~SIMMER~
   SAUTÉ button twice until the indicator light for SIMMER illuminates (Fig 21) and the display shows P 40 (equals 40-minutes of cooking time).



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- 5. Press the **START** button to begin simmering and the display will show <u>00 40</u>. Once the internal temperature has been reached, the timer will begin counting down to zero.
- 6. Follow steps 10-12 on page 17 to finish the cooking process.
- CAUTION! Never put your face or hands directly over the cooker when removing lid, escaping steam can cause serious burn injury.

### \*\*SAUTÉ FUNCTION

Before Pressure Cooking, most recipes will benefit from the golden color, richer flavors and moist results gained from SAUTE/Sautéing.

- 1. Remove lid (2) and plug the power cord into a 120V power outlet.
- The LED screen will display <u>00 00</u>.Press STEAM~SIMMER~SAUTÉ button <u>3-times</u> until the indicator light for SAUTÉ

illuminates (Fig 22) and the display shows P 05 (equals 5-minutes of sautéing time).

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 Press the START button to begin cooking and the display will show 00 05.



Fig.22

- 4. Add oil or butter as directed in your recipe and then place food into the Inner Pot (6). Stir or turn food as needed until desired color and consistency is reached.
- 5. Press the **KEEP WARM/CANCEL** button when you want to cancel the **SAUTÉ** function.
  - Allow the unit to rest 2-3 minutes after cancelling the **SAUTÉ** function before beginning to pressure cook.
- 6. Once the internal temperature has been reached, the timer will begin counting down to zero.
- 7. Continue your recipe by adding liquid, attaching lid (2) and selecting desired program/cook time.

## HOW TO USE THE **SLOW COOK** FUNCTION:

DEFAULT COOK TIME:		
SLOW COOK	0.5-9.5 HOURS	

- 1. Prepare desired food and place into Inner Pot (6).
- 2. Place the Tempered Glass Lid (19) onto the pressure cooker.
- 3. Plug the power cord into a 120V power outlet.
- 4. The LED screen will display 00 00.
- Press the SLOW COOK button once and the display will show the default SLOW COOK time of <u>06:00</u>. <u>Quickly</u> continue to press the SLOW COOK button to increase cook time in increments of 30 minutes.
- 6. Hold the **SLOW COOK** button down for rapid increase of cooking time.
  - NOTE: The longest SLOW COOK time allowed is 9.5 hours.
  - ➤ TIP: If you cannot adjust the SLOW COOK time, it is because too much time has passed since you first pressed the SLOW COOK BUTTON. Cancel the cooking process. Then press the SLOW COOK button continually until you've reached the desired cook time.
- 7. Press the **START** button.
  - The unit may take between 5~20 minutes to reach temperature before beginning count down.
- 8. Follow steps 10-12 on page 17 to finish the cooking process.

## HOW TO USE THE **DELAY TIMER**:

If you wish to Program your pressure cooker to automatically cook prepared food at a later time, you can program the pressure cooker to delay cooking by up to 24-hours. (\*See Notes & Tips #7 on page 20). This setting is used in combination with the **MENU SELECT** functions, **PRESSURE COOK TIME**, **STEAM**, **SIMMER**, and **SLOW COOK**.

- 1. Prepare desired food and place into cooking pot.
- 2. Secure the Lid (2) onto the unit, turn it Counter-clockwise to lock it in place.
- 3. Make sure the Pressure Limiting Valve (3) is set to the "Airtight" position.
- 4. Plug the power cord into a 120V power outlet.
- 5. The LED screen will display 00 00.
- 6. Press the **DELAY TIMER** button. The indicator light for **DELAY TIMER** will illuminate and the LED screen will show <u>00: 30</u> which is equal to 30 minutes of delay time. Press the **HOUR** button for each additional 0.5-hour or hold for rapid increase. The maximum Delay period is 24-hours in half-hour increments. Pressing the **HOUR** button again after reaching the 24-hour setting will automatically reset the delay timer to zero. (The time that displays on the LED screen shows how long the user wants the unit to wait before the cooking process begins).

- 7. EX: If you wish to program the pressure cooker to automatically turn on in 3-hours, press the **HOUR** button until the LED screen displays **03:00**.
- 8. After programming your Delay time, select the desired function.

## **MENU SELECT FUNCTIONS:**

- Select one of the 10 MENU SELECT functions and press START.
- Follow the instructions under "How to use the MENU SELECT functions."

## PRESSURE COOK TIME:

- Press the PRESSURE COOK TIME button and then the MIN button to reach the desired cook time.
- Press START. Follow the instructions under "How to use the PRESSURE COOK TIME function."

## STEAM/SIMMER:

Follow the instructions under the appropriate function and press START.

## **SLOW COOK:**

- Follow the instructions under "How to use the SLOW COOK function" and press START.
- Once the pressure cooker completes its countdown, the unit will begin operation of the cooking sequence for the chosen selection.
- 10. Follow steps 8-15 on pages 13-14 to finish the cooking process.

## NOTES & TIPS #7:

**CAUTION:** It is not recommended to use the Delay Timer function to cook foods that may spoil. Leaving raw foods inside the pressure cooker for long periods of time prior to cooking may result in the food spoiling. Cook food that can be left out such as rice, beans, grains or other foods that will not spoil.

## HOW TO USE THE **KEEP WARM** FUNCTION:

Food can be prepared at an earlier time and kept warm inside the pressure cooker using the **KEEP WARM** function. Food should not be kept warm for more than 4-hours. Additional time may cause a change in flavor, appearance and cause food to spoil.



- 1. Prepare desired food and place into cooking pot.
- 2. Place the Tempered Glass Lid (19) onto the pressure cooker.
- 3. Plug the power cord into a 120V power outlet.
- Press the KEEP WARM/CANCEL button once. The KEEP WARM/CANCEL indicator light will illuminate solid and the display will read <u>bb</u>.
- 5. To cancel, simply press the **KEEP WARM/CANCEL** button again until indicator light is no longer illuminated.
- 6. Remove food and serve.
- 7. Unplug power cord and allow to cool completely before dismantling and cleaning.

## HOW TO COOK WITH **FROZEN** FOODS:

Cooking frozen food inside a pressure cooker is quick and easy but has certain restrictions. Only cook individual cuts of frozen meats that are up to 1 inch thick, the cooking time does not need to be altered. Pressure will not be achieved until the internal temperature has reached a preset level. If the recipe states the meat should be cooked for 10 minutes after pressure has been achieved, it will still be the same, but it will take longer to reach the required pressure point.

It is not recommended to pressure cook larger cuts of frozen meats such as a whole roast, a block of frozen ground meat or a whole chicken. Larger cuts will require increased cooking times of up to one third more, and the results may not be the same when compared to meats that were thawed (or at least partially thawed) and browned before cooking.

## HOW TO USE THE **CANNING/PRESERVING** FUNCTION:

This pressure cooker can be used to do basic pressure canning and the water-bath method. Low-Acidic fruits and vegetables and High-Acidic fruits and vegetables are recommended. It is not recommended to can foods such as meat or seafood products in this unit.

Before using this unit for canning purposes, check the USDA's food preservation guidelines or read the publications listed at <a href="http://www.uga.edu/nchfp/publications/publications">http://www.uga.edu/nchfp/publications/publications</a> usda.html.

DEFAULT COOK TIME:		
CANNING 10~99-minutes		

## **Food Acidity**

The lower the acid content in the food, the greater the potential for spoilage and contamination. Many foods such as fruits are high in acid where as others such as meats, dairy products and sea foods have low acid levels.

Proper Pressure Canning minimizes the possibility of spoilage and contamination.

EXAMPLES OF HIGH ACID FOODS		EXAMPLES O	F LOW ACID FOODS
APPLES	ORANGES	ASPARAGUS	MUSHROOMS
APRICOTS	PEACHES	BEANS	OKRA
BERRIES	PEARS	BEETS	PEAS
CHERRIES	PICKLED BEETS	CARROTS	POTATOES
CRANBERRIES	PINEAPPLE	CORN	SPINACH
FRUIT JUICES	PLUMS	HOMINY	WINTER SQUASH

## Raw Packing and Hot Packing

Fresh foods contain air. The shelf life of canned food depends on how much air has been removed during the canning process. The more air removed, the longer the shelf life.

**Raw Packing** is the process of canning fresh but unheated foods. The process causes foods such as fresh fruit to float in their jars. Raw packed foods tend to lose color over time. Raw packing may be preferable in some recipes.

**Hot Packing** is the process of canning foods that have been pre-cooked prior to packing them in their jars. This reduces the air in the food.

Regardless of the method used, all liquids added to the foods should always be heated to a boiling point. This will remove excess air, shrink the foods, prevent floating and create a tighter seal.

## Safe Canning Tips

- Do not use bruised or over-ripe fruit. Bad quality degrades with storage.
- Do not add more low-acid ingredients (onions, celery, peppers, garlic) than specified in the recipe. This may result in an unsafe product.
- Don't over-season with spices. Spices tend to be high in bacteria making canned goods unsafe.
- Do not add butter or fat. Fats do not store well and may increase the rate of spoilage.
- Thickeners never use flour, starch, pasta, rice or barley. Use only USDA recommended Clear Jel ®.
- DO add acid (lemon juice, vinegar or citric acid) especially to tomato products when directed in the recipe. If necessary, you can balance the tart taste by adding sugar.

## **Processing Time and Pressure**

The following chart demonstrates proper processing time and pressure for various foods using your Elite Bistro pressure cooker. At up to 2,000 ft. above sea level, the Elite Bistro pressure cooker will produce sufficient pressure and heat to safely process certain fruits and vegetables for canning.

Food	Canning Capabilities 9		90 kPa
	Type of Canning	Jar Size	Minutes
Aparagus	Hot & Raw	Pints	30
Beans (green)	Hot & Raw	Pints	20
Beans (lima, pinto, butter or			
soy)	Hot & Raw	Pints	40
Beets	Hot	Pints	30
Carrots	Hot & Raw	Pints	25
Corn, whole-kernel	Hot & Raw	Pints	55
Greens	Hot	Pints	70
Mushrooms	Hot	Pints	45
Okra	Hot	Pints	25
Peas, green or english	Hot & Raw	Pints	40
Peppers, hot or sweet	Hot	Pints	35
Potatoes, sweet	Hot	Pints	65
Potatoes, white	Hot	Pints	35
Pumpkin	Hot	Pints	55
Meat strips, cubes, or chunks	Hot & Raw	Pints	75
Ground or chopped meat	Hot & Raw	Pints	75
Poultry, without bones	Hot & Raw	Pints	75
Poultry, with bones	Hot & Raw	Pints	65

## **Getting Started**

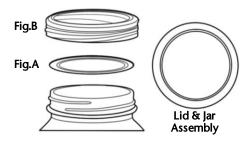
Your Elite Bistro pressure cooker is designed to accommodate 4 x 16 oz. (1 pint) wide mouth jars per canning session. We suggest you use jars with self-sealing lids.

## Cleaning the Jars

Always wash empty jars in hot water according to manufacturer's instructions. Rinse thoroughly. Scale or hard-water films on jars are easily removed by soaking jars several hours in a solution containing 1 cup of vinegar (5 percent acidity) per gallon of water.

## **Preparing the Lids**

The self-sealing lid (Figure A) consists of a flat metal lid held in place during processing by a metal screw band (Figure B). When jars are processed, the lid gasket softens to form an airtight seal with the jar. To ensure a good seal, carefully follow the manufacturer's directions in preparing lids for use. Examine all metal lids carefully. Do not use old, dented, or deformed lids, or lids with gaps or other defects in the sealing gasket.



## **Additional Accessories You May Need**

16oz. canning jar x 4

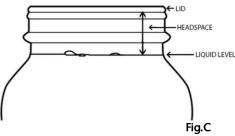






## **The Pressure Canning Process**

1. To begin, select a pre-tested pressure canning recipe.
Though ingredients may vary, generally you will be processing the food as demonstrated in this guide.
Choosing only the freshest ingredients, prepare food as instructed. Vegetables and free processing the conditions of the c



instructed. Vegetables and fruits should be at peak of fresh picked ripeness.

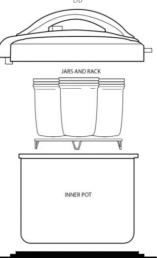
- 2. Fill 16 oz. clean canning jars to the level shown in Figure C. Any liquid should not exceed the level shown in Figure C, so that there is 1-inch of headspace at the top of the jars.
- 3. Use a thin utensil to release any trapped air between the food and the jar by pressing food firmly to the sides to dislodge any air bubbles (Figure D).
- Place a clean lid on top of the jar and then add a screw band. Turn clockwise and hand tighten in place (Figure E).
- NOTE: Never retighten lids after processing jars. As jars cool, the contents contract, pulling the self-sealing lid firmly against the jar to form a high vacuum.
- If screw bands are too loose, liquid may escape from jars during processing, and seals may fail.
- If screw bands are too tight, air cannot vent during processing, and food will
  discolor during storage. Over tightening also may cause lids to buckle and
  jars to break, especially with raw-packed, pressure processed food. Screw
  bands are not needed on stored jars. They should be removed after jars are
  cooled.
- When removed, washed, dried, and stored, screw bands may be used many times. If left on stored jars, they become difficult to remove, often rust, and may not work properly again.

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- Place Inner Pot (6) into the Main body (13).
   Then place the Short Wire Rack (15) at the bottom of the Inner Pot. Place Filled, sealed Jars on Rack. Unit will hold up to 4x16 oz. jars (maximum).
- Pour hot water over the jars and into the Inner
  Pot until the water level reaches 1/4 of the way
  up the sides of the jars. For 4x16 oz. jars this
  would be about 6 cups of water. When
  processing fewer jars, more water would be
  needed.
- 7. After reading the Operating Instructions of this Instruction Manual, secure the lid onto the pressure cooker, turn it Counter-clockwise to lock it in place properly.
- 8. Make sure the Pressure Limiting Valve (3) is set to the "Airtight" position.
- Plug the power cord into a 120V power outlet.
- Press the CANNING/PRESERVING button once and then continuously press the CANNING/PRESERVING button to increase in 1 minute increments.
- 11. Press START.
- 12. Follow steps 8-14 on pages 13-14 to finish the cooking process.
- 13. Using Canning Tongs, remove the hot jars and place them on a heat resistant surface and allow to cool to room temperature.

## **CAUTION: Jars are hot!**

- 14. When jars are thoroughly cooled, remove the Screw Bands. The lids should be tightly sealed to the jars and when pressed in the center they should not have any "give" or springing motion. If they do, you cannot safely store this food for future use. It must be reprocessed immediately or refrigerated and used within a few days.
- 15. Place the finished jars on shelves in a cool, clean, dry atmosphere. Properly processed food will last for months. Jars, lids and screw bands are reusable. Check all carefully for damage before reuse.







• **IMPORTANT:** The Elite Bistro pressure cooker when used as a pressure canning device does not have an effective operating capacity for more than 2,000 ft. above sea level.

## NOTES & TIPS #8:

While the jars are cooling, a small "click" sound will come from the lids to indicate the lids are sealing properly.

After approximately one hour, check to be sure the flat lids have obtained a good seal by pressing down with your thumb; the lid should remain stiff with no movement.

If you have not achieved a good seal within 2 hours, the canning did not work properly and the ingredients will need to be refrigerated and used within 3 days or frozen in a freezer container.

## NOTES & TIPS #9:

If recipes require the use of a trivet, riser (wire rack), foil, or heat-resistant/pressure-resistant oven-safe cookware, you may use these accessories in this pressure cooker.

# **HELPFUL TIPS**

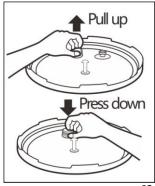
- Read this manual thoroughly and follow all instructions.
- Be familiar with the recipe and have all ingredients prepped before you begin.
- Be sure the lid is secured and locked properly before beginning.
- You may wish to brown some meats before cooking with other ingredients. To do so, follow instructions on page 18.
- Cut foods into equal-sized pieces to promote even cooking. In recipes that call for multiple ingredients, cut those that cook more quickly into larger pieces and those that cook more slowly into smaller pieces.
- Many different cooking liquids can be used in a pressure cooker: wine, beer, bouillon, fruit juices, water, broth and more.
- After becoming familiar with your pressure cooker, you can readily adapt conventional recipes to be used with a pressure cooker. In general, cut cooking times by two thirds. The amount of liquid used may also have to be reduced because there is very little evaporation in the pressure cooker. Reduce the required liquid so there is only about 1/2 cup more than desired in the finished product. Remember, however, there must always be some liquid in the pressure cooker to produce the necessary steam. Try using this rule; 1 cup of liquid for the first 15 minutes of pressure cooking then 1/3 cup of liquid for each subsequent 15 minutes. This can still vary, so if your unit will not build pressure you will have to add more liquid until it is able to build pressure. (See 3rd down in Troubleshooting).
- Since flavors are more intense, reduce the amounts of herbs and seasonings when adapting from conventional recipes. Fresh herbs are better for pressure cooking than dried.
- In general, pressure cookers cook foods in about 1/3 the time of conventional cooking methods.
- Increase cooking times by about 10% when cooking in high altitudes of over 3,500 feet.
- If you wish to cook food in less time than the pre-programmed amount, observe the timer and press CANCEL when desired cooking time has elapsed.
- Always check to make sure your gasket and float valve are clean, unobstructed and in good working order.
- When cooking under pressure, never fill above the fill line of the inner pot markings.
- If you are making soup and you are at the fill line, do not release pressure manually because hot liquid could spray out.
- Never attempt to open lid while under pressure and while float valve (4) is still up!!!
   Always open pressure cooker with the lid facing away from you.
- When manually releasing pressure, evaporation of some liquid may occur (i.e. when making rice or risotto). This is normal, but caution must be used to prevent injury.

# **HOW TO CLEAN YOUR PRESSURE COOKER**

- 1. Always make sure the Pressure Cooker is unplugged, depressurized and completely cooled down before dismantling.
- Use a non-abrasive sponge or damp wash cloth to clean the exterior of the outer body (13) and the exterior surface of the pressure cooker. NEVER immerse the pressure cooker in any liquids.
- 3. Remove the Condensation Cup (12) and rinse it thoroughly and let dry. Clean the Inner Main Body (13) with a damp sponge or wash cloth.
- 4. Clean the Lid (2) with warm soapy water, including the Rubber Seal Ring (18), Pressure Limiting Valve (3), Filter (17), Vent, Float Valve (4) and let dry thoroughly.
- The Pressure Limiting Valve (3) pops off easily by gently reaching underneath it and gently prying upwards. Be careful not to damage the thin wire spring under it.
- On the underside of the lid below the Pressure Limiting Valve (3), is a small metal filter cap which can be easily removed to clean.
- 5. Let parts dry completely before reassembling.
- 6. Wash the Inner Pot (6), Glass Lid (19), Wire Racks (15) and Tongs (14) with a non-abrasive sponge and allow to air dry or use a towel. It is not recommended to use any type of scouring pad that can scratch the non-stick surface of the Inner Pot (6).
- 7. Clean the Pressure Limiting Valve (3) and the holes with a small brush to ensure smooth flow of steam during the release cycle.
- 8. Store the inner pot inside of the Pressure Cooker. Store Pressure Cooker in a cool, dry location.
- NOTE: Any servicing required shall be performed by an authorized service representative or from the original manufacturer or distributer.

## How to Clean the Filter:

If you wish to clean the filter (17), you may remove it by pulling vertically. To re-attach, simply line up the filter (17) and press down to secure the filter (Figure 23).



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# **TROUBLESHOOTING**

PROBLEM	SOLUTION
Is the Airtight/Exhaust Pressure Limiting	If you are not cooking or using the unit, the Valve (3) will be loose. It will turn 360 degrees and may even come off if you pull on it. Once the pressure has built up, and the Valve is set to "Airtight" properly, it will resemble a bobble head.
Valve (3) on the top of the lid supposed to be loose?	Sometimes during cooking and pressurizing, steam may escape from the Valve. It indicates the Valve is not seated properly/securely. Simply use tongs or similar utensil and gently/carefully adjust it so it is seated properly.
	Nothing is wrong. Make sure the Valve (3) on top is set to Airtight and the Lid (2) is locked securely. Once you have selected the Menu Button, simply leave the unit alone and it will start to heat up and build up pressure.
	Once the unit has built up enough pressure, the display will change to a countdown timer that displays your desired cooking time of the Menu Button you selected. This is the time the unit will start cooking the food. Pressurizing can take anywhere from 5 minutes up to 30 minutes depending on the quantity of food you are cooking.
	The unit will then start to cool down and de-pressurize on its own. It will beep 3 times. The countdown timer will change to bb and the Keep Warm light will illuminate.
When I choose a Menu Button (ex: POULTRY), nothing	During this time, the food inside is still cooking. Depending on if you want your food to be cooked longer, you can allow the unit to naturally release the pressure by letting the unit sit. (Some meats will keep cooking once the pressure is released, so if you prefer your meat to be Medium or Medium-Rare, we suggest the quick release.)
happens? What's wrong?	Once the pressure has completely released, the floating valve (4) will drop down. You can unlock the lid and open to check on your food.
When I set the	The unit is detecting that not enough liquid has been added to your recipe.  The pressure cooker has an automatic over-heat protection sensor that will automatically set itself to OFF or Keep Warm when it detects that not enough liquid is present so that it does not over-heat. Make sure all pressure is released, open the lid and add in increments of 1/2 cups of liquid until the unit will properly build up pressure and cook.
pressure using the  MENU SELECT	The unit is detecting that there is a leak in the pressure and that it is not
functions, it will	sealed properly. Firmly push down on the lid to help the seal form or release
begin to build pressure and heat	any built up pressure and safely remove the lid to check the unit thoroughly.
up, but in about	Make sure the rubber gasket ring is in place, the lid is securely locked, and that the Valve on top of the lid is set to the "Airtight" position. Reset the unit
5-minutes the unit	by unplugging it. Wait 10-seconds and plug it back in. Program the unit
beeps 3 times and goes to Keep Warm	again.
and my food did not	Both of the above solutions will cause some liquid to have evaporated and it is
cook completely. What is happening?	recommended to add back in any liquid that has evaporated otherwise you will keep encountering the same issue.

PROBLEM	SOLUTION
	See Notes & Tips #4 on page 15.
Steam is being released around the rim of the lid during the pressurizing sequence. How do I fix this?	The Rubber Seal Ring (18) did not make a proper seal. Cancel all the functions. Exhaust any remaining pressure and steam. Open the lid and remove it entirely. Check the Rubber Sealing Ring to make sure it is positioned properly. Rub a wet cloth along it to make sure it is clean of debris and it is smooth. Re-assemble the lid, lock it securely in place and restart the cooking process.
	See Notes & Tips #4 on page 15.
Steam is being released from the Pressure Limiting Valve (3) during the pressurizing sequence. How do I fix this?	The Valve (3) may not be positioned properly. Simply use tongs or similar utensil or oven mitt and carefully adjust it so it is seated properly. If the steam continues to release, you may need to Cancel all the functions. Exhaust any remaining pressure and steam. Remove the Pressure Limiting Valve and check the thin wire spring on the underside of it. Make sure it is not bent or loose. If steam still continues to escape, the Valve may be faulty and replacement or repair may be necessary. Please contact the manufacturer.
Pressurized Steam is	See Notes & Tips #4 on page 15.
being quietly released from the Float Valve (4) area during the pressurizing sequence. How do I fix this?	This may happen during the initial start-up of the Pressurizing Sequence. Simply use tongs or similar utensil or oven mitt and carefully adjust the Valve (3) so it is seated properly. This will help settle the lid and all the valves properly. The pressure will quickly push up on the Floating Valve and seal it properly then finish the pressurizing sequence.
My food is finished cooking and all the pressure is released, but I cannot unlock and open my lid. What is stuck?	Make sure all the pressure and steam has been completely released.  Make sure the Float Valve (4) is no longer in the up position. It may be stuck in the UP position, simply tap the lid slightly to make it go back down. Then turn the lid clockwise to unlock the lid. If it is still stuck, unplugging the unit may help.
What is the clear, round plastic part that came with my pressure cooker?	It is the Condensation Cup: Refer to part (12) under Parts Identification within this manual to attach the condensation cup to the side of the pressure cooker. This catches the water and steam that drips off the lid when the lid is opened in the upright position.
I've programmed the pressure cooker to cook but it's just sitting there and nothing appears to be happening.	The unit is still building up pressure. Normally this takes between 5-10 minutes. However, if you are cooking a very full pot of food, the pressure build up time can take up to 30 minutes.
The unit is DEAD or has NO POWER.	The fuse in the unit has shorted out. This happens if there is not enough liquid in the inner pot or if there is too much electrical current going to the cooker. Please contact customer service at (800) 365-6133 for a replacement fuse.
The LED display shows E4 error.	Unplug the power cord from the wall outlet. Wait approximately 15 minutes. Plug the power cord back into the wall outlet. Press "CANCEL" button on the pressure cooker. Select cooking process to begin cooking.
My food is burned at the bottom of the inner pot.	There is not enough liquid in the inner pot. Add more liquid to your inner pot contents.

# **COOKING TIME CHART**

## Courtesy of www.healthfoods.com

Please note that all the below information is for your reference only and can be adjusted according to the user's preference.

## Meat/Poultry

- Always cook meat or poultry with at least 1-3 cups of liquid. If the cooking time exceeds 15
  minutes, use 2 cups of liquid. If weight of meat or poultry is 3lbs, use 3 cups of liquid.
  Preserved or salted meats should be immersed in water.
- Cooking times for meat and poultry may vary according to the quality and quantity of meat or poultry being cooked.
- Unless indicated, the cooking times given below are for 3 pounds of meat or poultry unless noted otherwise. Additionally, the denser the cut, the longer the cooking time should be.

Type of Meat	Approximate Cooking Minutes	Pressure Release
Beef/Veal, roast or brisket	38-42	Quick Release
Beef Meatloaf, 2 lbs.	13-18 or use the Meat Button	Quick Release
Beef, meatballs, 1-2 lbs.	7-12 or use the Meat Button	Natural Release
Beef, Corned	55-65	Natural Release
Pork, roast	43-47	Natural Release
Pork, ribs, 2 lbs.	18 or use the Meat Button	Quick Release
Pork, ham shank	25-28	Natural Release
Leg of Lamb	42-45	Natural Release
Chicken, whole, 2-3 lbs.	15-18 or use the Meat Button	Quick Release
Chicken, pieces, 2-3 lbs.	12-15 or use the Meat Button	Quick Release
Cornish Hens, two	12-15 or use the Meat Button	Quick Release
Meat/Poultry soup/stock	15-20 or use the Meat Button	Quick Release

### Seafood

- Cooking times may vary according to the type of seafood being cooked.
- Cook seafood on a cooking rack with a trivet on the bottom of the pot (if available), and add at least 3/4 cup of liquid. Lightly grease cooking rack with vegetable oil when cooking fish.

Type of Seafood	Approximate Cooking Minutes	Pressure Release
Clams	3-5	Quick Release
Crabs	3-5	Quick Release
Lobster, 1 1/2 - 2 lbs.	3-5	Natural Release
Mussels	3-5	Quick Release
Shrimp	2-3	Quick Release
Fish, whole, gutted	7-8	Quick Release
Fish, Soup or Stock	7-8	Quick Release

## Vegetables

- Always cook with at least 1-2 cups of liquid.
- Add 1-2 additional minutes to cooking time when preparing frozen vegetables.
- Use the quick-release release method at the end of cooking cycle so vegetables will not become soggy. (Below chart is for quantity approximately half a pot).

Type of Vegetable	Approximate Cooking Minutes	Pressure Release
Asparagus, thick whole	2-5	Quick Release
Asparagus, thin whole	1-2	Quick Release
Beans, fava, shelled	5	Quick Release
Beans, green, whole	4-5	Quick Release
Beans, lima, shelled	3	Quick Release
Beets, small, whole	2-3	Quick Release
Beets, large whole	23	Quick Release
Beets, 1-inch slices	5	Quick Release
Broccoli, flowerets	3	Quick Release
Brussel sprouts, whole	5	Quick Release
Carrots, 1-inch chunks	5	Quick Release
Carrots, 1/4-inch slices	1-2	Quick Release
Cauliflower, flowerets	3-5	Quick Release
Corn on-the-cob (4-6)	4	Quick Release
Escarole, coarsely chopped	2-3	Quick Release
Kale, coarsely chopped	2-3	Quick Release
Okra, small pods	3-5	Quick Release
Onions, whole	3	Quick Release
Potatoes, 11/2-inch chunks	7	Quick Release
Potatoes, new, small whole	6	Quick Release
Potatoes, sweet and yams, whole, medium	10-12	Quick Release
Potatoes, sweet and yams, 2" chunks	7-8	Quick Release
Spinach, fresh, coarsely chopped	3	Quick Release
Squash, acorn, halved	8	Quick Release
Squash, butternut, 1-inch chunks	5	Quick Release
Squash, summer, zucchini or yellow, 1/2-inch slices	6	Quick Release
Turnips, small quartered	4	Quick Release
Turnips, 1 1/2 inch chunks	4	Quick Release

<sup>\*</sup>Split peas and rhubarb can foam, froth, and sputter, and can clog the pressure release device (steam vent). These foods should not be cooked in a pressure cooker.

### **Dried Beans and Other Legumes**

- Place beans or legumes in pressure cooker. Add 3 cups of water for each cup of beans or legumes.
- Add 1 tablespoon of vegetable oil for each cup of water to cut down on foaming. Do not add salt until after cooking.
- Let pressure drop naturally after cooking.
- Cooking times may vary according to the quality of the beans or other legumes. If still hard
  after recommended cooking times, continue cooking uncovered. Add additional water, if
  necessary. (Below chart is for quantity approximately half a pot).

Type of Legume	Approximate Cooking Minutes	Pressure Setting
Azuki	7-8	Natural Release
Black Beans	10-12	Natural Release
Black Eyed Peas	11-12	Natural Release
Chick Peas (garbanzo)	11-13	Natural Release
Gandules (pigeon peas)	8-10	Natural Release
Great Northern	10-14	Natural Release
Kidney Beans, Red	12-14	Natural Release
Lentils, green	10-12	Natural Release
Lentils, soup	8-10	Natural Release
Lentils, red	10-15	Natural Release
Lima Beans	7-8	Natural Release

<sup>\*</sup> Applesauce and cranberries, can foam, froth, and sputter, and can clog the pressure release device (steam vent). These foods should not be cooked in a pressure cooker.

#### Grains

Before cooking, soak certain grains, such as wheat berries and pearl barley in four times their volume of lukewarm water for at least four (4) hours or overnight if required. Do not add salt to water, since it may toughen the grains and inhibit hydration.

- Do not soak rice.
- Rinse under lukewarm water (this also applies to rice)
- Cook each cup of grain in the amount of water specified.

Type of Grain	Approximate Cooking Minutes	Pressure Setting
Rice, basmati – 1 1/2 cups	7-8	Natural Release
Rice, converted – 1 1/2 cups	7-8	Natural Release
Rice, long grain – 1 1/2 cups	7-8	Natural Release
Rice, brown – 1 1/2 cups	17-22	Natural Release
Rice, wild – 3 cups	25-27	Natural Release
Wheat, berries – 3 cups	1	Natural Release

<sup>\*</sup> Pearl barley, oatmeal or other cereals can foam, froth, and sputter, and can clog the pressure release device (steam vent). These foods should not be cooked in a pressure cooker.

## Meat/Poultry (Larger Cuts)

- Always cook meat or poultry with at least 1-3 cups of liquid. If the cooking time exceeds 15 minutes, use 2 cups of liquid. If weight of meat or poultry is 3lbs, use 3 cups of liquid. Preserved or salted meats should be immersed in water.
- Cooking times for meat and poultry may vary according to the quality and quantity of meat or poultry being cooked.

Category	Meat	Pressure Cooker Cook Times (Approx)	
	rib roast, bone in	42-80 minutes cook time	
	(4 to 6 pounds)	7	
Doof froch	rib roast, boneless, rolled	60-90 minutes cook time	
Beef, fresh	(4 to 6 pounds)		
	round or rump roast	30-45 minutes cook time	
	(2 ½ to 4 pounds)		
Turkey,	4 to 8 pounds (breast)	30-80 minutes cook time	
fresh unstuffed	8 to 12 pounds	35 to 45 minutes cook time	
	whole roasting hen	25 - 35 minutes cook time	
	(5 to 7 pounds)		
	breast, halves, bone-in	8-15 minutes cook time or press Chicken	
Chicken,	(6 to 8 ounces)	button	
fresh	breast, halves, boneless	6-10 minutes cook time or press Chicken	
	(4 ounces)	button	
	legs or thighs	8-20 minutes cook time or press Chicken	
	(4 to 8 ounces)	button	
	loin roast, bone-in or boneless	25 - 50 minutes cook time	
	(2 to 5 pounds)		
Pork, fresh	crown roast	35 - 70 minutes cook time	
	(4 to 6 pounds)		
	tenderloin	8-15 minutes cook time	
	(½ to 1 ½ pounds)		
	fresh, cook-before-eating, bone-in, half	45 - 70 minutes cook time	
Ham,	(5 to 7 pounds)		
	fully cooked, bone-in, half	35 - 60 minutes cook time	
smoked	(5 to 7 pounds)		
	fully cooked, spiral cut, whole or half	50 - 85 minutes cook time	
	(7 to 9 pounds)		

Recipes on this page are courtesy of Joelle Hunter.

## **MACARONI N' CHEESE**

SERVES 8

## Ingredients

2 Tbsp butter 3 pounds elbow noodles (or your favorite

2 shallots, minced small pasta)

12 cups water 1 loaf original Velveeta, cut into cubes 2 Tbsp seasoned salt 2 cups shredded mozzarella cheese 1 Tbsp Worcestershire sauce 2 cups shredded cheddar cheese 1 Tbsp dry mustard 1/2 jar diced pickled jalapeños

#### Directions

Follow the "SAUTE" instructions in this manual: Melt butter and sauté shallots for 2-3 minutes. Cancel "SAUTE." Add water, salt, Worcestershire sauce, dry mustard & pasta and cook under pressure for 1 minute. Release pressure, open lid and add cheeses & jalapeños; stir well. Close lid and let cheese melt for 2-3 minutes, then stir again. (For extra creamy "TV" Mac & cheese, stir in 2 cups whole milk, half &half or heavy cream at the end).

## WHOLE TURKEY OR CHICKEN

SERVES 8

## Ingredients

12LB Turkey or smaller (or chicken) Olive Oil for Rub Salt Pepper Poultry Seasoning

#### Directions

Pat turkey dry with paper towels, then rub with oil and sprinkle generously with salt, pepper & poultry seasoning. Place on a sheet pan in a pre-heated 450°F oven for 15 minutes. (You may stuff turkey before placing in oven, if desired).

While turkey cooks in oven, create a "sling" for easy removal of Whole Turkey from the pressure cooker: Fold two 24 inch long sheets of aluminum foil each in half lengthwise and then in half again so they are about 2 inches wide. Place both in bottom of pressure cooker in an X with long sides hanging out of the pot. Place the turkey with legs up and leaning over to one side onto the foil sling. Add 1 cup chicken broth and cook under pressure for 1 hour.

Recipes are courtesy of www.recipezaar.com and www.fastcooking.ca.

Please note that all of the information is for your reference only and can be adjusted according to the user's preference.

## **BEEF IN PEPPER SAUCE**

SERVES 4

Ingredients

Pepper Sauce
1 red bell pepper or green bell pepper

1/2 cup baby carrot

1 (8 ounce) can tomato sauce (1 tbsp to be

use later)

2 garlic cloves 2 teaspoons ground ginger

1 teaspoon turmeric

2 lbs boneless sirloin steaks, cut into strips

salt & pepper

1 cup water

ks, cut into strips 1/2 teaspoon cumin 1/2-1 onions, sliced

1 green bell pepper, sliced

1 teaspoon salt

1/2 teaspoon black pepper

1/2 teaspoon ground cardamom

on how spicy you like it)

2 tablespoons olive oil

1/2-1 teaspoon cayenne pepper (depends

1/2 teaspoon paprika

- Remove 1 tablespoon of tomato sauce from the can to be used later. Blend the ingredients for the pepper sauce (green pepper through cardamom) in a food processor until there are no chunks left. Set aside.
- Follow the "SAUTE" instructions in this manual: add enough olive oil, sprinkle the beef with salt & pepper then brown in the cooker without the lid.
- Once browned, cancel "SAUTE" and add water, reserved tomato sauce, paprika & cumin to the beef. Close and lock the pressure cooker lid. Adjust the pressure valve on top to Airtight and select the BEEF/PORK function. Press START.
- When the pressure cooker has finished the cooking cycle, release the pressure by carefully setting the valve to Exhaust on the top of the lid. Once the pressure has released, the lid can be turned and unlocked.
- Add the pepper mixture, sliced onions & green peppers to the meat and sauce, close and lock lid and select the BEEF/PORK function again. Press START.
- When the pressure cooker has finished the cooking cycle, release the pressure by carefully setting the valve to Exhaust on the top of the lid. Once all the pressure has released, the lid can be turned and unlocked.
- Vegetables and meat should be tender. Serve immediately over white rice if desired.

## **CHICKEN PICCATA**

SERVES 6

#### Ingredients

6 chicken breast halves 1 cup pimento stuffed olive, minced

1/2 cup all-purpose flour 1/4 cup sour cream

1/4 cup olive oil 1 tablespoon potato starch or flour

4 shallots 1/4 cup fresh parmesan cheese, grated (1 ounce)

3 garlic cloves, crushed fontinella cheese, grated

3/4 cup chicken broth 1 lemon, thinly sliced, to garnish

1/3 cup fresh lemon juice 1 teaspoon dried basil

1 tablespoon sherry wine

2 teaspoons salt

1/4 teaspoon white pepper

#### Directions

- Lightly dust chicken pieces with flour.

- Follow the "SAUTE" instructions in this manual: heat oil. Add chicken breasts, two at a time, and sauté in hot oil until brown on all sides. Remove from inner pot and set on a paper towel lined dish.
- Add shallots and garlic to the inner pot and sauté for 3 to 5 minutes, scraping bottom of pan to loosen browned particles remaining from chicken. Stir in broth, lemon juice, sherry, salt, pepper, basil, and olives.
- Cancel "SAUTE."
- In the cooking pot, add chicken pieces skin side down back in.
- Close and lock the pressure cooker lid. Adjust the pressure valve on top to Airtight and select the POULTRY function. Press START.
- When the pressure cooker has finished the cooking cycle, release the pressure by carefully setting the valve to Exhaust on the top of the lid. Once the pressure has released, the lid can be turned and unlocked.
- Stir chicken mixture, then transfer just the chicken to serving platter, and cover to retain heat.
- Whisk sour cream and starch together. Stir into cooking liquid inside the pressure cooker and cook over manual heat 1 minute, stirring constantly.
- Spoon sauce over chicken. Sprinkle with cheese and garnish with lemon slices.

## **SPARE RIBS**

SERVES 6-8

## Ingredients

1 cup brown sugar
1/4 teaspoon cayenne
1/4 cup soy sauce
1/2 teaspoon paprika
1 tablespoon vinegar
1 cup of chicken/beef stock

- Prepare sauce ingredients inside cooking pot.
- Divide ribs up evenly so it fits into the pressure cooker.
- Coat each piece thoroughly with the sauce.

- Place ribs into pressure cooker pot after coating with sauce.
- Add the 1 cup of stock to the bottom of pot.
- Close and lock the pressure cooker lid. Adjust the pressure valve on top to Airtight and select the BEEF/PORK function. Press START.
- When the pressure cooker has finished the cooking cycle, release the pressure by carefully setting the valve to Exhaust on the top of the lid. Once the pressure has released, the lid can be turned and unlocked.

## TRADITIONAL MEAT LOAF

SFRVFS 4

## Ingredients

1 1/2 lb mixture of chopped or ground lean beef, pork and veal

Freshly ground pepper

2 slices bread, soaked in water and

squeezed dry
1 teaspoon salt

2 tablespoons parsley

1 medium onion, minced 1 garlic clove

1 egg

2 tablespoons chicken stock

1 cup tomato sauce

2 teaspoons Worcestershire sauce

1 cup water

2 tablespoons olive oil

- In a bowl, combine the chopped meat, salt, pepper, bread, parsley, onion, garlic, egg, chicken stock and Worcestershire sauce. Shape into two small loaves. Wrap each in wax paper and chill several hours to firm.
- Follow the "SAUTE" instructions in this manual add the oil and brown the loaves well on all sides. Cancel "SAUTE." Remove and set on oven-safe dish (not included) that will fit into the pressure cooker.
- Pour out the oil and combine the tomato sauce and water, and season with salt and pepper.
   Spread the ketchup over the meat loaves and lower the oven-safe dish into the pressure cooker.
- Close and lock the pressure cooker lid. Adjust the pressure valve on top to Airtight and select the BEEF/PORK function. Press START.
- When the pressure cooker has finished the cooking cycle, release the pressure by carefully setting the valve to Exhaust on the top of the lid. Once the pressure has released, the lid can be turned and unlocked.
- Remove dish using a removing utensil/tool. Slice and serve immediately.

## **JAMBALAYA**

SERVES 4-6

## Ingredients

1 tablespoon vegetable oil

1/2 lb boneless skinless chicken breasts, cut

into 1" pieces

1/2 lb fully cooked Andouille or Italian

sausage, sliced

1/2 lb uncooked shrimp, peeled and

deveined

2 teaspoons Creole seasoning

1 teaspoon dried thyme leaves

1/8 teaspoon cayenne pepper

1 onion, chopped

3 garlic cloves, minced

1 green bell pepper, chopped

3 stalks celery, sliced

1 cup long grain rice

16 oz canned chopped tomatoes, un-

drained

1 cup chicken stock

3 tablespoons fresh parsley, minced

#### Directions

- Follow the "SAUTE" instructions in this manual, add oil and add chicken, sausage and shrimp.
   Sprinkle half of the Creole seasoning, half the thyme and half the cayenne. Cook for 3-5 minutes uncovered, stirring frequently, until chicken and shrimp are thoroughly cooked.
   Remove chicken, sausage and shrimp with a slotted spoon and set aside.
- Add onion, bell pepper, celery and remaining Creole seasoning, thyme and cayenne to skillet and cook for 4-5 minutes, stirring frequently.
- Add chicken, sauce, shrimp and rice, tomatoes with their juice and stock back into the pot. Cancel "SAUTE."
- Close and lock the pressure cooker lid. Adjust the pressure valve on top to Airtight and select the SOUP & STEW function. Press START.
- When the pressure cooker has finished the cooking cycle, release all the pressure by carefully setting the valve to Exhaust on the top of the lid. Once all the pressure has released, the lid can be turned and unlocked. Serve with rice if desired.

## **CORNISH HENS BRAISED IN WHITE WINE**

SERVES 4

#### **Inaredients**

2 tablespoons olive oil

2 Cornish hens, trussed

1/2 teaspoon salt

1/4 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper

1/2 teaspoon thyme

1/2 teaspoon basil

1 tablespoon minced parsley

1 tablespoon flour

1/2 cup dry white wine

1/2 cup chicken stock

1/4 lb mushrooms, cleaned and sliced

- Follow the "**SAUTE**" instructions in this manual heat the olive oil and brown the Cornish hens on all sides. Sprinkle them with salt and pepper,
  - thyme, basil and parsley. Remove and set aside. Cancel "SAUTE."
- In the cooking pot, stir in the flour, and then pour in the wine and stock and add the hens back in.

- Close and lock the lid and program the pressure cooker for 40-minutes. Press START.
- When the pressure cooker has finished the cooking cycle, release the pressure by carefully setting the valve to Exhaust on the top of the lid. Once the pressure has released, the lid can be turned and unlocked. Serve with rice or a salad if desired.

Recipes courtesy of www.peggyunderpressure.com

## SEMI-ROASTED & PRESSURE COOKED THANKSGIVING TURKEY

SERVES 6

Prep the turkey to your desired preference to roast it in the oven or, you can try this simple Herb Butter Recipe for a whole 12lb turkey. The butter will help the turkey brown quicker in the oven. Make sure the turkey is placed inside a roasting pan. Preheat your oven to 450F.

#### HERB BUTTER INGREDIENTS

1 Cup Butter (room temperature)
 1 Tsp Garlic Powder
 1 Tsp Dried Basil
 1/2 Tsp Salt
 1 Tsp Dried Rosemary
 1/2 Tsp Lawry's Seasoning Salt
 1 Tsp Dried Parsley

Mix all ingredients with the butter so it becomes a thick paste. Melt it in the microwave for about 15-seconds if the butter is too firm. Using a brush, spread the herb butter over the turkey, under the skin, onto bottom and inside cavity.

#### **OVEN ROASTING TURKEY INGREDIENTS**

1/2 Half Large Yellow Onion2 Sprigs Fresh Thyme2 Sprigs Fresh Sage4 Whole Garlic Cloves2 Sprigs Fresh Rosemary

Chop the onion into quarters and stuff into cavity of turkey. Leave herbs whole and also stuff into cavity. Put turkey into oven and roast for 30-minutes or until the skin is nice and golden brown.

Remove from oven and set aside to cool slightly. If you have an electric knife, this is the time you'll need it. Keep the legs/drumsticks, wings and even the breast whole when you remove them. Remove as much of the turkey meat as you can.

### PRESSURE COOKING TURKEY INGREDIENTS

1/2 to 1 Can Chicken Stock 1/2 Large Yellow Onion

Plus:

The onions and fresh herbs from turkey cavity Turkey Juices from the roasting pan Any leftover herb butter

#### Directions

Place all turkey pieces into the pressure cooker pot. Use other half of remaining onion you chopped earlier and place into pot. Remove the onions and the herbs from the cavity and place in

pot and pour any of the juices from the roasting pan in as well as any remaining herb butter from earlier.

Pour in one can of Chicken Stock. You don't need to immerse the entire turkey into liquid.

Shut the lid and turn to lock it into place. Adjust the pressure valve on top to Airtight. Program the pressure cooker to cook for 45-minutes. Press **START**.

When the pressure cooker has finished the cooking cycle, release the pressure by carefully setting the valve to Exhaust on the top of the lid. Once the pressure has released, the lid can be turned and unlocked.

Using a pair of tongs, carefully and gently remove all the turkey sections. Use two pairs of tongs if you must. The liquid that's in the pot is also rich in flavor, it can be used to make gravy. Plate the turkey sections onto your serving platter. Hide the loose pieces underneath the larger sections. Decorate the platter with fresh herbs and citrus slices. Ladle some extra liquid from the pot over the turkey and serve.

## SOUTHERN TANGY PULLED ROAST BEEF

SERVES 4

## Ingredients

3-4 Lb. Chuck Roast

1 Packet of Ranch Dressing Powder

1 Packet of Au Ju Mix Powder

2 to 4 oz butter (half a stick or 1 stick) 1 Jar of Pepperoncinis

#### Directions

Place about 4 peppers into bottom of the cooking pot first. Then place chuck roast on top of them. This will lift roast up off bottom of pan and prevent burning and overheating.

Open packets of seasonings and sprinkle them both over top of the roast, covering as much as possible. Place a few more pepperoncinis on top of roast, and around it. Then pour about 1/4 to 1/2 of the pepperoncini liquid into the pot. Add 1/2 cup of water, put whole piece of butter directly on top of roast.

Program the pressure cooker to cook for 60-minutes. Press **START**.

You can serve this roast any way you like.

## **BALSAMIC CHICKEN AND ONIONS**

SFRVFS 4

### Ingredients

- 2 lbs. Chicken Thighs (You can use chicken breast to cut down on calories.)
- 1 Ham Hock
- 2 Cups Chopped Carrots (Frozen or fresh, but don't use baby carrots)
- 2 Cups Pearl Onions (Frozen or fresh)
- 1 Cup Dried Mixed Berries (You can use any kind, a mix or just golden raisins.)

- 2 Bay Leaves
- 4 Cloves of Garlic
- 1 Cup Balsamic Vinegar
- 1 Cup Red Wine Vinegar
- 1/2 Cup Chicken Broth (Optional: since the chicken releases a lot of liquid already.)

#### Directions

Season the chicken on both sides with salt and pepper. Then place ham hock and chicken into bottom of inner pot. Place all remaining ingredients into pot. The chicken will brown on the side touching the bottom of the pot.

Close and lock the lid on your pressure cooker. Make sure the Pressure Valve is set to Airtight.

Select the **POULTRY** function on your machine OR program the pressure cooker for 17-minutes. Press **START**.

When the pressure cooker finishes the cooking cycle, it's time to release the pressure. Carefully turn the Pressure Valve on the top to EXHAUST and wait for all steam and pressure to release. The Float Valve will drop, allowing you to unlock the lid.

You'll notice that the level of liquids inside the pot has almost doubled. Use a pair of tongs and carefully remove the chicken. Set chicken aside and go back to the remaining sauce. Ladle out or pour out half of that liquid and return it back to the pressure cooker to reduce/thicken the sauce. Follow instructions in this manual for "SAUTE." Reduce the sauce so it becomes nice and thick. Help it along by adding flour or cornstarch if you like.

Once the sauce is thickened to the desired consistency, cancel "SAUTE" and return chicken carefully back into the sauce. Set the pressure cooker to Keep Warm until ready to serve. Serve with rice or mashed potatoes.

## HAWAIIAN BBQ CHICKEN

SERVES 4

#### Ingredients

3lbs. Chicken (Frozen or Fresh; Breast,1 Cup Coconut MilkThighs, Wings or Drumettes)1 Tbsp Chili Flakes (Or more to taste)1 Cup BBQ SauceShredded Coconut (garnish)2 Cups Diced Pineapples (Canned or Fresh)Juice of Limes (garnish)

#### Directions

Mix BBQ Sauce, Coconut Milk and Chili Flakes together. In main cooking pot of your pressure cooker, place the pineapples at the very bottom. This will be closest to the heat source and will render out the pineapple juice so the pressure cooker will use the juices to steam and pressurize since the BBQ sauce mixture is quite thick and may burn if you place it on the very bottom.

Start dipping chicken pieces in the BBQ sauce mixture, a thin coat is fine. Add them into the pot one by one. Pour the remaining sauce mixture over the chicken when you're done. Shut the lid of the pressure cooker, turn to lock it. Set the pressure valve to Airtight. Program pressure cooker for 10-minutes. Press **START**.

Once the cooking cycle is finished, release pressure and unlock lid. The chicken and pineapples will have released liquids during the pressure cooking process so there will be lots of liquid inside. Remove just the chicken with a pair of tongs and set aside temporarily. At this time, you can use a potato masher and mash down the pineapples so they become pulpier. (If you want the sauce extra thick, you can also make a roux with a bit of the liquid ladled out in a little bowl, mix a bit of flour with it until smooth and pour it back into the pot.)

Once the sauce has thickened to your desired consistency, place the chicken back in. Now it's ready to serve with rice or on its own. Garnish with a healthy heap of shredded coconut and a squeeze of lime juice.

## ITALIAN POT ROAST

**SERVES 4** 

### Ingredients

3-lbs Beef Rump Roast (Cut into 2" chunks; you can choose to leave the roast whole, but cooking time will be 60-75 minutes)
1 Jar/Can of Roasted Red Bell Pepper
1 Jar/Can of Sun Dried Tomatoes in Olive Oil
1 Jar/Can of Marinated Artichokes in Water
1 Whole Onion (Finely Sliced)

4 Whole Garlic (Minced) 1 Package of Mushrooms (Chopped) 2 Tbsp Italian Seasoning

#### Directions

Remove the fat from the roast and use a sharp knife to cut the meat into whole 2 inch chunks. Precook the meat in the pressure cooker first to do a "wash". This removes all the unwanted fat and gristle from the meat so it leaves the end result cleaner.

Place the meat into the pressure cooker and pour in 3-4 cups of water. Season with salt and pepper if you wish. Shut the lid and lock into position. Set the valve to AIRTIGHT and program pressure cooker for 10-minutes. Press **START**.

When the pressure cooker is pressurized and cooks for 10-minutes, it'll automatically beep and go to Keep Warm. You can release the pressure by setting the pressure valve to EXHAUST. Remove the meat into a bowl. Discard all the grimy water. Rinse the meat in the bowl to remove any remaining residue and then place back into the cooking pot of the pressure cooker again.

Add the remaining ingredients in with the meat. Julienne the bell peppers, and chop the artichokes. Leave the sun dried tomatoes as is unless they need chopping as well. Include the olive oil and water from the jars of bell peppers, sun dried tomatoes and artichokes. Do not drain. Pour them into the pressure cooker pot.

Add the onions and mushrooms and garlic. Add the Italian Seasoning.

Lock the lid and set the pressure cooker to cook for an additional 20-minutes. Press **START**. When the pressure cooker beeps, allow the pressure to naturally release or help it along by setting the valve to EXHAUST. Release the pressure before opening the lid.

You can use the cooking juices from the cooking to make gravy. Use a slotted spoon and ladle out all the meat and vegetables, and put them into a

separate serving platter. In a small bowl, mix half a cup of water with 1 tbsp of flour and mix until it becomes a runny white goo. Stir it while slowly pouring in the flour mixture and keep stirring and simmering until the gravy becomes a nice thick consistency.

Serve your pot roast over mashed potatoes or some pasta or with a side of roasted potatoes. Top with the fresh gravy.

## ST. PATRICK'S BANGERS AND MASH

### Ingredients

1 Package of 6-8 Bangers 5-6 Baking Potatoes (Peeled and Diced) 1 Cup Milk 1/2 Cup Butter
Salt & Pepper
1 Whole Onion (Sliced into rings)

#### FOR THE POTATOES:

1/2 Cup Sour Cream
1/2 Cup Parmesan Cheese

### OTHER EQUIPMENT:

Potato Masher Sheet of Foil

#### Directions

Peel and dice potatoes and place in bottom of pressure cooker pot. (You can leave the peels on, just scrub them real well if you do.) Lightly toss with salt and pepper. Add the cup of milk. Slice tabs of butter and place them over the potatoes. Carefully lay a sheet of foil over the potatoes and place sausages onto the foil and make sure they do not risk rolling off. Top the sausages with onions.

Close lid and secure into place. Adjust the pressure valve to "AIRTIGHT" and program the pressure cooker for 20-minutes. Press **START**. The 20-minutes will begin to count down and the internal hot pressure will continue to cook the food.

Once the allotted time has expired, the machine will beep and go to keep warm automatically. You can choose to either release all pressure manually by turning the valve to Exhaust or let it drop down naturally. When all pressure has released, the float valve will drop down and allow you to turn and open the lid.

Remove the sausages in the foil. You'll notice that the sausages are cooked but look grey.

Now onto the potatoes. Start mashing them carefully with a potato masher directly inside the pressure cooker pot - avoid scratching the non-stick of the inner pot. Add more milk, salt or butter if you prefer to get potatoes to desired consistency. To serve, you may slice the sausages instead of leaving them whole if you prefer.

## APPLES AND ONION PORK TENDERLOIN

**SERVES 4** 

## Ingredients

3-5 lb. Pork Rump or Pork Tenderloin 2 Cups Apple Juice

3 Apples (Sliced) 1 Cup Broth (Chicken, Beef or Vegetable,

1 Whole Onion (Sliced) doesn't matter)
2 Bay Leaves Salt & Pepper to taste

#### Directions

Remove any unwanted fatty pieces from pork. Season with salt and pepper on both sides.

Place onions and apples into cooking pot. Pour in apple juice and broth. Place the pork rump directly into pot. Shut the lid and turn it to lock it into place. Make sure Pressure Valve is set to Airtight. Program pressure cooker for 60-minutes. Press **START**. It'll take 5-10 minutes for the machine to heat up and build up the pressure. The 60-minute cook time will begin to count down.

When the pressure cooker is finished with the cooking cycle, it will beep and automatically go to keep warm. At this point, you can manually release the pressure or allow it to Natural Release. Once the float valve has dropped and the lid is safe to open, unlock and lift the lid up. Release any remaining pressure and turn to open the lid. The onions and apples should melt as soon as you stir them. The pork is super juicy and tender. Slice into thick slices and serve over mashed potatoes or stuffing and ladle on the apple and onion gravy.

## ITALIAN POTATO, RICE, & SPINACH SOUP

SERVES 6

### **Ingredients**

1/4 cup olive oil 2 tablespoons fresh lemon juice

6 leeks, white part only, sliced 3 tablespoons tomato paste 3 garlic cloves, crushed 1 tablespoon light brown sugar

2 carrots 10 ounces fresh spinach, rinsed, cut in large

1/2 cup Arborio rice pieces

3 potatoes, cut in large chunks 1/4 cup parmesan cheese, grated 5 cups chicken stock 1/4 cup fontinella cheese, grated

1/2 cup parsley, chopped 2 teaspoons dried basil

1/2 cup celery, chopped 1/4 teaspoon pepper 1 bay leaf

## Directions

1 teaspoon salt

- Follow the "SAUTE" instructions in this manual and heat oil. Add leeks, garlic, and carrots and sauté in hot oil for 2 minutes. Cancel "SAUTE."
- Add rice and potatoes. Stir well.
- Add broth, parsley, celery, bay leaf, salt, pepper, basil, lemon juice, tomato paste and brown sugar. Stir well.
- Close and lock the pressure cooker lid. Adjust the pressure valve on top to Airtight and select the SOUP/STEW function. Press START.

- Cooking should be approximately 15-20 minutes.
- When the pressure cooker has finished the cooking cycle, release all pressure by carefully setting the valve to Exhaust on the top of the lid. Once all pressure has released, the lid can be turned and unlocked.
- Lift lid. Ladle the soup into large serving bowl or individual bowls.
- Combine the cheeses and sprinkle over soup. Serve with Italian bread.

## SOUTH OF THE BORDER SPICY CHILI

SERVES 6

Chili is a nutritionally sound and complete meal. You can make it more or less fiery by adjusting the amount of chili powder used.

### Ingredients

2 tablespoons olive oil

2 medium onions, chopped 3 garlic cloves, minced

1 1/2 lb ground beef

2 teaspoons ground cumin

2 tablespoons chili powder, or to taste

1 1/2 teaspoons oregano

1 bay leaf

2 teaspoons celery seed

Salt to taste
1 tablespoon flour

1 1/2 cups crushed tomato

1 cup beef stock

1 1/2 cups cooked pinto or red kidney beans

## Garnishes

Grated cheddar or Monterey Jack cheese Finely chopped onion Shredded lettuce

- Follow the "SAUTE" instructions in this manual: heat oil and sauté the onion and garlic until
  onion is wilted.
- Add beef and cook until browned. Mix cumin, chili powder, oregano, bay leaf, celery seed, salt and flour. Stir in crushed tomato and beef stock. Cancel "SAUTE."
- Add the beans.
- Close and lock the pressure cooker lid. Adjust the pressure valve on top to Airtight and select the BEANS function. Press START.
- When the pressure cooker has finished the cooking cycle, release all pressure by carefully setting the valve to Exhaust on the top of the lid. Once all pressure has released, the lid can be turned and unlocked.
- Serve chili in bowls, passing the garnishes separately.

## SAUSAGE AND LENTIL SOUP

**SERVES 4** 

### Ingredients

3-4 Cups Dried Lentils

1-2 Cups Chopped Sausage (any sausage to

vour likina)

2 Cups Crushed Roasted Tomatoes

1 Cup Mirepoix (chopped mixture of celery,

carrots and onions.)

4 Garlic cloves, minced

2 Bay Leaves

2 Tbsp Beef Buillion (Or 2 Cups Beef Broth)

6 Cups Fresh Water (Less or more

depending on the size of your pressure

cooker.)

Salt & Pepper to taste

#### Directions

 Follow the "SAUTE" instructions in this manual: sauté the mirepoix and garlic until they are fragrant. Cancel "SAUTE."

- Add remaining ingredients into the cooking pot. Shut lid and lock properly into position.
   Adjust the Pressure Valve to "Airtight". Program pressure cooker for 15-minutes. Press START.
- When the cook time is complete and it's ready to release the pressure, make sure you are careful. Since it's a big pot of soup, there may be some spitting at the pressure valve when you turn it to exhaust. Sometimes a folded up dish rag or towel over the valve will help.
- When it is safe to open the lid, give the soup a good stir. It may appear a bit watery but
  depending on if you want to keep it more on the brothy side or you want to thicken it a bit,
  you can thicken it by mixing a bit of the broth liquid with flour until it becomes a thick roux
  and pour the roux back into the soup and stir it. Season with salt and pepper to your
  preference. Serve with a dollop of sour cream or plain greek yogurt.

## **KIELBASA, BUTTERNUT SQUASH & KALE SOUP**

SERVES 4

## Ingredients

1 Package Kielbasa Sausage (Chopped into

half-moon size)

4 Cups Chicken Broth

2 Cups Chopped Butternut Squash

2 Sprigs of Fresh Rosemary

1 Onion, Chopped 1 Cup Wild Rice (I ran out, so I just used

brown rice)

Water

2 Cups Fresh Kale

4 Cloves Garlic, Minced

1 Shot Glass Sherry, Cooking Wine or White

## Directions

Follow the "SAUTE" instructions in this manual: add a bit of olive oil and place the first 4 ingredients in and sauté for 4 minutes. Pour in shot glass of cooking wine or sherry and sauté for another 2-3 minutes. Cancel "SAUTE."

Add the wild rice and chicken broth. Depending on how much soup you want, you can fill up the rest of the pot with water and add in the sprigs of fresh Rosemary. **Do not add the Kale into the soup yet.** 

Close and lock pressure cooker lid. Set Pressure Valve to "Airtight" and program the pressure cooker for 10-minutes. Press **START**.

**Note:** If you are making a really large, almost full pot, the pressure cooker will take quite a while to heat up everything inside and come to pressure, about 20 to 30-minutes to build up pressure. Once the pressure has been reached the 10-minutes will begin to count down. Once the 10-minutes have reached 0, the cooker will automatically beep and go to keep warm.

Using a dish rag, carefully release the pressure by turning the Pressure Valve to "Exhaust". Once the pressure has been completely released, the float valve will drop which will release the locking mechanism on the lid. Now you can turn the lid to unlock it. Give everything a good stir. When the soup is ready to serve, you can add the kale and let the heat of the soup cook it just slightly. It will take less than a minute. Add salt and pepper to taste as you serve.

(This step is optional). Use an Immersible Hand Blender and in the soup mixture. Give it a few pulses to blend the soup into a smooth creamy texture. Now add the chopped carrots, potatoes and ham to the soup. Add salt and pepper.

Place Ham Hock back in and shut the lid. (Don't let the soup sit idle for too long because it will thicken as it sits and keeps warm. If it becomes too thick, add water or chicken stock.)

Program pressure cooker to cook for another 5-minutes. Press **START**.

If the soup mixture is too thick, the machine might have a hard time building up pressure because the thick mixture might be over-heating at the bottom of the pot. If this happens, the machine will just beep fairly soon and put itself on Keep Warm. Leave the machine alone. It will have built up enough pressure in that time so just let it sit and drop down in pressure automatically. The carrots and potatoes are cut up small enough that it should cook fairly quickly. If not, you can always open up the lid, thin the soup down a bit and restart it.

When the soup is finished, serve while it's hot with some butter toast or croutons.

## FISHERMAN'S SEAFOOD CHOWDER

SERVES 4

## The Soup Base Ingredients

A Mild Roux Mix 1 Tbsp Butter
1 Tbsp Flour 1 Cup White Wine

### The Stock & Other Ingredients

2 Cups Water 1/2 Cup Celery (Optional)
1 Cup Chicken Stock 4 Cloves of Garlic (Chopped)
1 Whole Onion (Chopped) 1 Can Tomato Sauce
2 Whole Tomatoes (Chopped) 3 Bay Leaves

1/2 Cup Corn (Optional) 1/2 Tsp Saffron Strands

#### Directions

To make a roux, follow the "SAUTE" instructions in this manual: melt the butter and then add the flour to the butter and mix with a wooden spoon. Start diluting the roux with the white wine little by little.

To the roux mix, add the chopped onions, garlic and chopped tomatoes, plus the celery. Cook the mixture for just a couple of minutes and cancel "SAUTE." The mixture should be thick and creamy. Season with salt and pepper.

Add the water, tomato sauce and chicken stock. Add bay leaves and saffron. Give everything a good mix. The soup base should be pretty watery with a slight hint of thickness. If it's still too thick, add more water or stock or white wine.

### SEAFOOD INGREDIENTS

1-2 Cups Seafood Mix (Calamari Rings,
 Scallops, Bay Shrimps, etc.)
 1-2 Cups Whole Mussels
 1-2 Cups Langostino Tails

1-2 Cups Whole Clams 1-2 Cups Chopped Salmon (Or any other

1-2 Cups Whole Shrimp (Shells removed) fish is fine)

Add the seafood to the soup base mix. You always want to leave at least about 2-inches from the top rim to prevent over-flowing. (If you like, you can remove the shells so there is more room.)

Once the seafood has been added, give everything another good stir. Then shut lid and turn to lock it into position. Adjust Pressure Valve to "Airtight".

Program the pressure cooker for 10-minutes. Press START.

When the pressure cooker is finished with its cooking cycle, it will beep and go to keep warm automatically and start dropping the pressure down by itself. This recipe, you can choose to release the pressure manually or let it drop down in pressure by itself, it doesn't make a difference. But always check that "Pressure Float Valve" has dropped before attempting to turn the lid to unlock and open it.

Serve with slices of sourdough bread or crackers.

## LEEK & ASPARAGUS RISOTTO

SERVES 4-6

#### **Ingredients**

1 1/2 tablespoons olive oil 1 1/2 cups Arborio rice 1 1/2 tablespoons butter 4 cups vegetable broth

1 1/2 tablespoons water 1/4 lb asparagus, chopped into 1 inch

2 garlic cloves, minced segments

1 1/2 cups leeks, sliced 1 1/4 cups parmesan cheese, shredded

- Follow the "SAUTE" instructions in this manual: heat the olive oil and butter.
- Add the garlic and leeks, sauté until soft then cancel "SAUTE."
- Add rice, stir thoroughly and then add broth.
- Close and lock pressure cooker lid. Adjust pressure valve to Airtight and select the RICE function. Press START.
- While risotto cooks, steam asparagus in water. Then sauté in olive oil. Season with salt and pepper.

- When the pressure cooker has finished the cooking cycle, release all pressure by carefully setting the valve to Exhaust on the top of the lid. Once all pressure has released, the lid can be turned and unlocked. Add the sautéed asparagus, and Parmesan cheese.
- Serve immediately.

## **CHICKEN NOODLE**

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### **Ingredients**

8 boneless skinless chicken thighs

3 carrots, large dice 1 onion, chopped

3 stalks celery, finely diced

2 garlic cloves, chopped

8 cups chicken stock 1 bay leaf

5 sprigs fresh thyme

1 sprig fresh rosemary

2 sprigs fresh sage

1 teaspoon poultry seasoning salt and pepper, to taste

1 lb egg noodles, frozen such as Reames

brand

1 cup frozen peas 3 tablespoons stock 1 lemon, juice of

1/4 cup parsley, chopped

#### Directions

- Follow the "SAUTE" instructions in this manual: saute onion, celery and garlic until lightly browned. Cancel "SAUTE." Add chicken, carrot, chicken stock, bay leaf, herbs & seasonings.
- Close and lock pressure cooker lid. Adjust pressure valve to Airtight.
- Program to cook for 10 minutes. Press START. Allow pressure to naturally release.
- Open pressure cooker lid when safe to do so.
- Add frozen egg noodles, close and lock pressure cooker lid. Adjust pressure valve to Airtight and program to cook 3 minutes. Press START.
- When the pressure cooker has finished the cooking cycle, release all pressure by carefully setting the valve to Exhaust on the top of the lid. Once all pressure has released, the lid can be turned and unlocked.
- Remove sprigs of fresh herbs. Add peas & chopped parsley for color and juice of 1 lemon. Stir and serve.

## PRESSURE COOKER CORN ON THE COB

SERVES 10

### Ingredients

10 ears sweet corn, halved

3 cup water

- Pour the water in the bottom of your pressure cooker pot.
- Arrange the corn in pot standing up.
- Secure the lid and set the Valve to Airtight. Select the **VEGETABLES** function. Press **START**.
- When the pressure cooker has finished the cooking cycle, release all pressure by carefully setting the valve to Exhaust on the top of the lid. Once all pressure has released, the lid can be turned and unlocked.

## **CREAM OF GARDEN TOMATO SOUP**

SERVES 4-6

## Ingredients

1 tablespoon vegetable oil teaspoon dried)
1 tablespoon butter 1 teaspoon salt

1 large yellow onion, finely chopped (you can also use a white onion) 1/4 teaspoon black pepper, freshly ground 1/2 cup chicken broth (or vegetable broth

3 lbs tomatoes, coarsely chopped or water)

2 teaspoons fresh thyme, chopped (or 1 3/4 cup heavy cream

#### Directions

- Follow the "SAUTE" instructions in this manual: heat oil and butter in the pressure cooker until butter melts. Add the onion and cook, stirring occasionally, until wilted, about 5 minutes. Cancel "SAUTE."
- Add tomatoes and their juices, thyme, salt, pepper, and broth and stir to mix.
- Lock on the lid and set Valve to Airtight. Select the VEGETABLES function. Press START.
- When the pressure cooker has finished the cooking cycle, release all pressure by carefully setting the valve to Exhaust on the top of the lid.
- Once all pressure has released, the lid can be turned and unlocked.
- Use immersion blender to puree soup (or transfer soup to blender or food processor and puree in smaller batches to avoid burning yourself).
- If after blending you see any chunks of tomato peel, put soup through strainer or food mill to remove.
- If using right away, place soup in large pan and stir in cream. Reheat gently without boiling then add garnish of choice and serve.
- If not using right away, store in the refrigerator until ready to use; then stir in the cream, heat and serve

## **BROWN RICE**

SERVES 4-6

## Ingredients

4 cups water 3 dashes Mrs. Dash seasoning mix, original

2 cups long brown rice 3 tablespoons butter

4 chicken bouillon cubes pepper

- Add all ingredients to Inner Pot.
- Lock on the lid and set Valve to Airtight. Select the RICE function. Press START.
- When the pressure cooker has finished the cooking cycle, release all pressure by carefully setting the valve to Exhaust on the top of the lid.
- Once all pressure has released, the lid can be turned and unlocked.
- Remove and serve.

## **BABY BACK RIBS – FAST & EASY**

SERVES 2-3

## Ingredients

3 lbs beef back ribs 1/4 teaspoon paprika 1/2 teaspoon salt 2 tablespoons olive oil

1/4 teaspoon black pepper 1 cup beer

1/2 teaspoon onion powder 12 ounces barbecue sauce

1/4 teaspoon garlic powder

#### Directions

Cut ribs into serving pieces.

- Mix spices together to create a dry rub. Apply the dry rub to the ribs.
- Follow the "SAUTE" instructions in this manual: heat oil and brown the ribs on all sides.
   Cancel "SAUTE."
- Add beer. Close and lock lid securely, set the Valve to Airtight.
- Select the BEEF/PORK function. Press START.
- When the pressure cooker has finished the cooking cycle, release all pressure by carefully setting the valve to Exhaust on the top of the lid.
- Once all pressure has released, the lid can be turned and unlocked.
- Add barbecue sauce and serve immediately.

## POT ROAST WITH MUSHROOM GRAVY

SERVES 6-8

## Ingredients

3 lbs chuck roast, 2-3 inches thick 2 tablespoons vegetable oil 1 envelope onion soup mix 2 (10 3/4 oz) cans cream of mushroom soup 1 cup water (or beef or chicken stock)

- Follow the "SAUTE" instructions in this manual: brown meat on all sides in oil.
- Mix all other ingredients and add to pot, coating meat. Cancel "SAUTE."
- Close and lock lid securely, set the Valve to Airtight.
- Program the pressure cooker to cook 50-60 minutes. Press START.
- When the pressure cooker has finished the cooking cycle, release all pressure by carefully setting the valve to Exhaust on the top of the lid.
- Once all pressure has released, the lid can be turned and unlocked.
- Thin gravy with beef stock or thicken to your own taste.

## CHICKEN STOCK

SERVES 6

## Ingredients

2 lb chicken parts, primarily backs, 2 sprigs parsley

but also including gizzards, necks, hearts 6 peppercorns or 1/4 teaspoon ground

and wings black pepper

1 medium onion, peeled and halved 1 teaspoon thyme 1 celery stalk, cut in several pieces 2 bay leaves

1 large carrot, scraped and cut in several Salt to taste pieces 6 cups water

#### Directions:

Combine all ingredients in the pressure cooker's inner pot.

- Close and lock lid securely, set the Valve to Airtight.
- Program Pressure Cook Time for 45 minutes. Press START.
- When the pressure cooker has finished the cooking cycle, release all pressure by carefully setting the valve to Exhaust on the top of the lid.
- Once all pressure has released, the lid can be turned and unlocked.
- Strain by pouring it through a strainer which has been lined with a couple of layers of damp cheesecloth, damp kitchen towel or damp paper towels. Press with the back of a wooden spoon to extract as much liquid as possible. Cool, then refrigerate overnight and remove any congealed fat that has collected on the surface.

## OLD FASHIONED MEAT LOAF

**SERVES 4** 

## Ingredients

1 1/2 lb mixture of chopped or ground lean 1 garlic clove

beef/pork 1 egg 1 teaspoon salt 2 tablespoons chicken stock

Freshly ground pepper 2 teaspoons Worchestershire sauce

2 slices bread, soaked in water and 2 tablespoons olive oil

squeezed dry 1 cup tomato sauce 2 tablespoons parsley 1 cup water

1 medium onion, minced

- In a bowl, combine the chopped meat, salt, pepper, bread, parsley, onion, garlic, egg, chicken stock and Worcestershire sauce.
- Shape into two small loaves. Wrap each in wax paper and chill several hours to firm.
- Follow the "SAUTE" instructions in this manual: heat oil and brown the loaves well on all sides.
   Cancel "SAUTE."
- Transfer to the cooker basket.
- Pour off the oil and combine the tomato sauce and water, and season with salt and pepper.
- Spread the ketchup over the meat loaves and lower the basket into the pot.
- Close and lock lid securely, set the Valve to Airtight.
- Set Pressure Cook Time to 25 minutes. Press START.

## **RECIPES**

- When the pressure cooker has finished the cooking cycle, release all pressure by carefully setting the valve to Exhaust on the top of the lid.
- Once all pressure has released, the lid can be turned and unlocked.
- Slice and serve immediately.

# **TOMATO PASTA SAUCE**

SERVES 2-3

# Ingredients

3 tablespoons canola oil
3 teaspoons dried basil
1/2 cup onion, finely chopped
3/4 cup carrot, finely chopped
1 teaspoon dried parsley

3/4 cup celery, finely chopped 1 or 2 bay leaves

2 garlic cloves, minced 1/4 cup dry red or white wine

1 large can crushed canned tomatoes 1/2 cup water

1/4 cup tomato paste Salt and freshly ground pepper, to taste

#### Directions

- Follow the "SAUTE" instructions in this manual: heat the oil and sauté the onion, carrot, celery and garlic until they are softened. Cancel "SAUTE."
- Add all the remaining ingredients. Close and lock lid securely, set the Valve to Airtight. Select the VEGETABLES function. Press START.
- When the pressure cooker has finished the cooking cycle, release all pressure by carefully setting the valve to Exhaust on the top of the lid.
- Once all pressure has released, the lid can be turned and unlocked.
- Reduce the sauce if it is not thick enough.

# POTATO AND GREEN BEAN CASSEROLE

SERVES 4-6

## Ingredients

3 potatoes, peeled and cut in 1" cubes
3/4 lb green beans
1 tablespoon minced parsley
1 tablespoon olive oil
5 alt and freshly ground pepper
1 medium onion, minced
1/2 cup chicken stock
1 garlic clove, minced

- Add all ingredients to the inner pot. Close and lock lid securely, set the Valve to Airtight.
- Program Pressure Cook Time to 7 minutes. Press START.
- When the pressure cooker has finished the cooking cycle, release all pressure by carefully setting the valve to Exhaust on the top of the lid.
- Once all pressure has released, the lid can be turned and unlocked.
- Serve and Enjoy.

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# **LEMON CHICKEN**

**SERVES 4** 

## Ingredients

3 1/2 lb chicken cut into serving pieces
1/4 cup plus 2 tablespoons olive oil
1/4 cup lemon juice
2 teaspoons oregano
Salt and freshly ground pepper to taste
1/2 cup chicken stock

#### Directions:

- In a small bowl, mix together 1/4 cup oil, lemon juice, oregano, salt and pepper. Pour over the chicken and marinate for several hours, or overnight.
- Dry the chicken well on paper towels and sprinkle with salt and pepper. Reserve the marinade.
- Follow the "SAUTE" instructions in this manual: heat the remaining 2 tablespoons oil and brown the chicken pieces on all sides. Cancel "SAUTE."
- Reserve chicken pieces on warm platter. Pour off the fat and add to the inner pot the reserved marinade and the chicken stock.
- Close and lock lid securely, set the Valve to Airtight.
- Select the **POULTRY** function. Press **START**.
- When the pressure cooker has finished the cooking cycle, release all pressure by carefully setting the valve to Exhaust on the top of the lid.
- Once all pressure has released, the lid can be turned and unlocked.
- Serve the chicken with the sauce spooned over it.

# **OLD FASHIONED BAKED BEANS**

**SERVES 4** 

## Ingredients

2 cups dry navy beans (also called white beans or pea beans)
3 tablespoons brown sugar
3 tablespoons oil
1 large onion, diced
1 clove garlic, minced
1 3/4 cups water
2 fl oz (1/2 small can) tomato paste
2 tablespoons brown sugar
2 tablespoons molasses
1/2 teaspoon prepared mustard
1/4 teaspoon cumin
1 3/4 cups water
1/8 teaspoon chili powder

#### Directions

Rinse and then soak the beans in water for about 8 hours.

You can begin soaking them in the morning so they will be ready to cook at suppertime.

Drain the soaking water after the beans are hydrated.

Add all ingredients except the beans to the inner pot and stir. Then add the beans.

Close and lock lid securely, set the Valve to Airtight.

Select the **BEANS** function. Press **START**.

When the pressure cooker has finished the cooking cycle, allow all pressure to naturally release. Once all pressure has released, the lid can be turned and unlocked.

Serve with whole wheat bread.

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# **MACARONI PUTTANESCA**

SERVES 4-5

## Ingredients

1 26oz jar of puttanesca, marinara or your favorite sauce

1 16oz box of macaroni (or any type of pasta)

1 bag of frozen meatballs

1 onion, diced

1 bell pepper, diced (any color)

2 cloves garlic, minced

salt & pepper

Olive oil for SAUTE

(recipe may be doubled for larger portions)

#### Directions:

- Remove lid. Start SAUTE function. Add oil to inner pot. Add onion, bell pepper and garlic to inner pot.
- Stir while SAUTE. Season with salt & pepper.
- Keep SAUTE until onions are caramelized.
- Add jar of sauce, box of macaroni, and frozen meatballs to inner pot.
- Add 1-1.5 cups of water to inner pot. Place lid onto pressure cooker and lock into place.
- Set pressure limiting valve to "Airtight."
- Select the PASTA function. Press START.
- When the pressure cooker has finished the cooking cycle, release the pressure by carefully setting the valve to Exhaust on the top of the lid. Once the pressure has released, the lid can be turned and unlocked. Remove and serve.

# **DESSERTS**

# **APPLESAUCE**

Makes about 4 1/2 cups

#### Ingredients

3 lb apples, peeled, cored, and quartered
3/4 teaspoon ground cinnamon
1/3 cup water or apple juice
Optional: Grated lemon zest
Optional: Fresh lemon juice
Optional: Honey

- Place the apples, cinnamon, and water (or juice) into pot.
- Close and lock lid securely, set the Valve to Airtight.
- Select the **DESSERTS** function. Press **START**.
- When the pressure cooker has finished the cooking cycle, release all pressure by carefully setting the valve to Exhaust on the top of the lid.
- Once all pressure has released, the lid can be turned and unlocked.
- You can serve the applesauce chunky, or puree it in a food processor.
- Prior to serving, if desired, stir in the lemon zest, lemon juice, and honey to taste.
- Serving Suggestion: Top warm applesauce topped with some raisins and chopped, toasted walnuts.

# CREAMY CHEESECAKE WITH FRUIT GLAZE

Makes one 7-inch cheesecake

# Ingredients

1 tablespoon butter 2 teaspoons grated lemon zest

4 tablespoons bread crumbs or cookie 2 tablespoons flour

crumbs 6 tablespoons sour cream

Two 8-oz packages of cream cheese 2 eggs 3/4 cup sugar 2 egg yolks 1/4 cup heavy cream 2 cups water

2 teaspoons vanilla

#### Directions

- Butter a 7 inch spring-form mold or other suitable baking dish safe (not included) to use in this pressure cooker.
- Sprinkle with bread or cookie crumbs and set aside.
- Blend the cream cheese, sugar, cream, vanilla, lemon zest, flour, and sour cream. Beat in the eggs and egg yolks, and pour the entire mixture into the mold.
- Center the uncovered pan on a 24" long piece of aluminum foil. Cover the top of the pan with another piece of foil and pinch around the edges to seal. Scrunch up the ends of the length of foil and bring them together over the pan to create a handle.
- Set the rack in the pressure cooker and pour in the water.
- Lower the foil-covered mold into the pressure cooker and place on the rack.
- Close and lock lid securely, set the Valve to Airtight
- Select the **DESSERTS** function. Press **START**.
- When the pressure cooker has finished the cooking cycle, allow all pressure to naturally release.
- Once all pressure has released, the lid can be turned and unlocked.
- Remove the pan from the pressure cooker using the foil handle. Loosen the foil, cool, then chill for at least 4 hours or overnight.
- Before serving, arrange fruit or spread fruit preserves in a thick layer over the cheesecake.
- Release and remove the rim of the spring-form pan.

# **ORANGE-FLAVORED CANDIED YAMS**

**SERVES 4** 

#### **Inaredients**

1 cup orange juice 1/2 cup brown sugar

2 large sweet potatoes (yams) 1 teaspoon grated orange zest

Salt, to taste 2 tablespoons butter

- Pour orange juice into pressure cooker. Peel sweet potatoes and cut them in half lengthwise.
   Arrange in a pressure cooker steamer basket (not included) and sprinkle with salt, brown sugar and orange zest. Dot with butter.
- Lower steamer basket into pressure cooker.

- Close and lock the pressure cooker lid. Adjust the pressure valve to Airtight and select DESSERTS. Press START.
- When pressure cooker has finished the cooking cycle, release all pressure by carefully setting
  the valve to Exhaust on the top of the lid. Once all pressure has released, the lid can be
  turned and unlocked. Lift out the sweet potatoes.
- Boil down the sauce until thickened and pour over the sweet potatoes.

# SPICED APPLE CRUNCH

SERVES 3

# Ingredients

1 cup dry bread crumbs (unseasoned) 1 lemon (juice and rind) 3 apples, sliced

1/4 cup sugar 1/4 cup butter, melted

1/2 teaspoon cinnamon 2 cups water

#### Directions:

- Butter a 15 cm (6") baking dish (not included). Combine bread crumbs (or graham wafer crumbs), sugar, cinnamon, juice and lemon rind. Place alternate layers of apples and crumbs in baking dish. Pour melted butter over ingredients and cover baking dish firmly with aluminum foil.
- Place water, rack, and then baking dish in pressure cooker.
- Close and lock lid and program the pressure cooker for 20-minutes. Press **START**.
- When pressure cooker has finished the cooking cycle, release all pressure by carefully setting the valve to Exhaust on the top of the lid. Once all pressure has released, the lid can be turned and unlocked
- If you wish to add more color and crunch, run the dish quickly under the broiler. Be sure to watch carefully to prevent burning.

# **OLD FASHIONED RICE PUDDING**

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It's recommended to eat on the same day or the rice may become chewy.

# Ingredients

1 tablespoon butter 1 egg

1/4 cup long grain rice1/4 cup evaporated milk2 cups milk1/2 teaspoon vanilla

1 cup water Cinnamon

1/3 sugar 1/2 teaspoon salt

- Follow **SAUTE** instructions in this manual: Melt butter and stir in rice, coating it with the butter. Pour in fresh milk and water, and stir in sugar and salt. Cancel **SAUTE**.
- Close and lock lid and program the pressure cooker for 10-minutes. Press START.
- When the pressure cooker has finished the cooking cycle, release all pressure by carefully setting the valve to Exhaust on the top of the lid. Once all pressure has released, the lid can be turned and unlocked.

- In a small bowl mix together the egg, evaporated milk and vanilla. Stir in a little of the hot liquid from pressure cooker, then add mixture to the pressure cooker.
- Cover again and set to cook for 5 more minutes.
- When the pressure cooker has finished the cooking cycle, release all pressure by carefully setting the valve to Exhaust on the top of the lid. Once all pressure has released, the lid can be turned and unlocked. Cool 10 minutes, stirring occasionally.
- Transfer to individual dessert bowls, continue cooling, then refrigerate. Serve sprinkled with cinnamon.

# **PEARS STEWED IN RED WINE**

SERVES 4

# Ingredients

2 cups water 4 firm pears, peeled but not cored, stems on 1/2 cup sugar 3/4 cup red wine 2 slices lemon 1 cup frozen raspberries 4 tablespoons heavy cream

1/4 teaspoon mace

- Follow the **SAUTE** instructions in this manual: combine the water, sugar, lemon, cinnamon sticks and mace. Simmer until sugar is dissolved.
- Cancel SAUTE.
- Place pears into pressure cooker cooking pot, trimming bottoms if necessary so they stand upright. Add liquid from the saucepan.
- Close and lock lid and program the pressure cooker for 10-minutes. Press START.
- When the pressure cooker has finished the cooking cycle, release all pressure by carefully setting the valve to Exhaust. Once all pressure has released, the lid can be turned and unlocked.
- Add the red wine.
- Lock lid in place again and program to cook for 10 more minutes. Press START. When the
  pressure cooker has finished the cooking cycle, release all pressure by carefully
  setting the valve to Exhaust. Once all pressure has released, the lid can be turned and
  unlocked.
- Carefully remove only the pears and transfer to a deep container.
- Boil down the remaining sauce until it is syrup. Cool, then pour over the pears and keep at room temperature overnight.
- To serve, defrost and purée the raspberries in a processor until smooth.
- Spoon 4 tablespoons of the purée on four dessert dishes or shallow bowls. Place a pear upright in the center or each dish. Spoon some syrup over the pears.
- Dribble 1 tablespoon of cream in a circle over the sauce. With the aid of a knife, swirl the cream into the sauce in an attractive design and serve.

# CINNAMON APPLE FLAN WITH MAPLE SYRUP

SERVES 6

## Ingredients

5 tablespoons maple syrup 1/4 teaspoon vanilla 1/4 teaspoon cinnamon 6 tablespoons sugar 2 apples, peeled and cut in 1/4" slices 2 1/2 cups milk

3 whole eggs 3 egg yolks

#### Directions:

- Follow the SAUTE instructions in this manual: combine the maple syrup and the cinnamon.
   Add the apple slices and slowly simmer until the apples are tender.
- Divide the mixture into 6 greased oven-safe custard cups (not included). In a large bowl, whisk eggs and egg yolks. Stir in vanilla, sugar and milk. Pour mixture slowly into the custard cups. Cover tightly with foil.
- Fill the pressure cooker cooking pot with 2 1/2 cups water. Place as many custard cups as will
  fit in the pressure cooker steamer basket (if available) and lower into pressure cooker.
- Close and lock lid and program the pressure cooker for 10-minutes. Press **START**.
- When the pressure cooker has finished the cooking cycle, release all pressure by carefully setting the valve to Exhaust on the top of the lid. Once all pressure has released, the lid can be turned and unlocked.
- Remove the lid, take out the basket, loosen the foil and cool the custard.
- Refrigerate. To serve, loosen the custard from the molds with a knife and invert onto dessert dishes.

# **COCONUT RICE PUDDING**

SERVES 4

# **INGREDIENTS:**

1 Cup Arborio Rice 1/2 Tsp Freshly Ground Cloves 3 Cups Coconut Milk (Unsweetened) 1 Whole Vanilla Bean

2 Cups Almond Milk (Unsweetened) 3 Strips Orange Zest Strip

1 Cup Water 2 Cans Sweetened Condensed Milk

3 Cinnamon Sticks

- Follow the SAUTE instructions in this manual: add all liquid ingredients (except the
  condensed milk). Add spices to the mixture. Leave cinnamon sticks and orange zest strips
  whole. Using a knife, gently slice a long slit down the middle of the vanilla pod. Scrape the
  vanilla bean into the pot and swish it around. Add the whole vanilla pod also and bring the
  whole mixture to a light simmer. Cancel SAUTE.
- Add rice and give it a quick stir. Close lid and turn to lock into place. Adjust the Pressure Valve to Airtight. Program the pressure cooker for 15-minutes. Press START.
- Once the cooking is complete, let it drop down in pressure on its own, do not manually release the valve to Exhaust. The pressure should drop on its own in about 10-minutes. Once all pressure is released, the Float Valve will drop, allowing you to unlock and open the lid.
   Press the CANCEL button to turn off the Keep Warm feature. Remove cinnamon sticks, orange zest and vanilla pod and discard.

- Open two cans of Sweetened Condensed Milk and add to the rice pudding and stir. Allow to cool slightly, then cover and place into refrigerator to cool completely.
- Serve warm or cold with a drizzle of honey if desired. Garnish with sliced strawberries, blueberries, orange zest or nutmeg.

# PUMPKIN BOURBON CHEESECAKE

SERVES 6

Ingredients

**Crust:** 1-2 Tbsp Butter

4-6 Macaroons

4 Sheets Graham Crackers

Filling: 3/4 Cup Canned Pumpkin

2 (8oz.) Cream Cheese 2 Eggs

1/2 Cup White Sugar 1/2 Tsp Cinnamon 1 Tsp Vanilla Bourbon Extract 1/4 Tsp Nutmeg

1 Tsp Whiskey or Bourbon 1/4 Tsp All Spice or Pumpkin Spice

- Using a food processor, process the Crust ingredients into a coarse and crumbly mixture.
   Grease spring-form pan (not included) so cheesecake doesn't stick. Take the crumbs and start forming and flattening them into pan. Make sure to have the crust come up the sides of the pan as well, about an inch high.
- For the filling, using a mixer or stand mixer, mix together the first three ingredients: cream cheese, sugar, vanilla extract and bourbon. Mix until smooth and then add remaining ingredients until that is smooth as well. Use a spatula and pour the mixture into the springform pan over the crust.
- Use a spoon to smooth it out as best as you can. Tap the pan a bit to get rid of any air bubbles.
- Pour 2 cups of water into the main cooking pot of the pressure cooker. Set a rack into the
  center of the pan and place the spring-form pan onto rack. You do NOT want the water
  touching the pan, that's what the rack is doing, lifting it up above the water line.
- Shut the lid and turn to lock into position. Adjust Pressure Valve to "Airtight". Program the
  pressure cooker for 15-minutes. Press START. The cook time will go by pretty fast, when it
  beeps and goes to keep warm automatically, allow the unit to drop down in pressure by itself.
- During this time, you can whip up some garnishes. You can use Whipped Cream, chopped up nuts or pumpkin butter. Put a few tablespoons of it into a little bowl and microwave it for about 20 seconds. Add a dash of whiskey to it if you want it runnier. Give it a good whisk.
- Once the pressure cooker has completely dropped down in pressure, you can open the lid and remove the cheesecake carefully. It may look too moist, but let it rest for a few minutes and then pop it into the refrigerator for at least 3-4 hours to firm up.
- Slice and garnish with pumpkin butter, whipped cream and chopped nuts and serve immediately.

# Recipes courtesy of www.allrecipes.com

# **DILL PICKLES**

## Ingredients

8lbs 3 to 4 in long pickling cucumbers
4 cups white vinegar
12 cups water
2/3 cup of pickling salt

16 garlic cloves, peeled and halved
8 sprigs fresh dill weed
8 heads fresh dill weed

#### Directions

- Wash cucumbers, and place in the sink with cold water and lots of ice cubes. Soak in ice water for at least 2 hours but no more than 8 hours. Refresh ice as required. Sterilize 8 (1 quart) canning jars and lids in boiling water for at least 10 minutes.
- In a large pot over medium-high heat, combine the vinegar, water, and pickling salt. Bring the brine to a rapid boil.
- In each jar, place 2 half-cloves of garlic, one head of dill, then enough cucumbers to fill the jar (about 1 pound). Then add 2 more garlic halves, and 1 sprig of dill. Fill jars with hot brine. Seal jars, making sure you have cleaned the jar's rims of any residue.
- Follow the instructions for "How to use the Pressure Cooker for CANNING" in this manual.
- When the unit has reached optimum pressure, it will begin to pressure-seal the mason jars.
   The programmed time will begin to count down until it reaches zero.
- When time has expired, the pressure cooker will beep 3-times and automatically go to Keep Warm.
- The Keep Warm indicator light will illuminate. This indicates the Pressure Cooker is <u>Naturally</u> <u>Releasing</u> the pressure. (See Notes & Tips #6)
- Open lid once pressure has completely released.
- Carefully remove jars using special canning utensils or tools. **CAUTION: Jars are hot!**
- Set jars on a towel or cooling rack and allow to cool completely in a draft-free location.
- Store pickles for a minimum of 8 weeks before eating. Refrigerate after opening. Pickles will keep for up to 2 years if stored in a cool dry place.

# JALAPENO PEPPER JELLY

# Ingredients

3 Green Bell Peppers, minced ½ tsp cayenne pepper
2 4oz cans diced jalapeno peppers 1 6fl oz of liquid pectin
1½ cups distilled white vinegar 4 or 5 drops green food coloring
6½ cups sugar

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- In a large, stainless steel saucepan, combine peppers, vinegar, sugar, and cayenne pepper.
   Cook over medium high heat. Stir frequently until mixture begins to boil.
- Stir in pectin; boil 5 minutes longer, stirring constantly, and mix in food coloring. Skim off foam. and remove from heat.
- Sterilize canning jars and lids in boiling water for at least 10 minutes.

- Ladle into sterilized jars and follow the instructions for "How to use the Pressure Cooker for CANNING" in this manual.
- When the unit has reached optimum pressure, it will begin to pressure-seal the mason jars.
   The programmed time will begin to count down until it reaches zero.
- When time has expired, the pressure cooker will beep 3-times and automatically go to Keep Warm.
- The Keep Warm indicator light will illuminate. This indicates the Pressure Cooker is <u>Naturally</u> <u>Releasing</u> the pressure. (See Notes & Tips #6)
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# FIG PRESERVES

## Inaredients

16 cups of fresh figs8 cups sugar1 Tbsp baking soda4 cups water12 cups boiling water1 lemon, sliced

- In a large mixing bowl place figs and sprinkle with baking soda. Pour the boiling water over the figs and soak for 1 hour.
- Drain figs and rinse thoroughly with cold water. In a large pot combine the sugar and the 4 cups of water; bring to a boil and cook for 10 minutes.
- Add the figs and lemon slices to the syrup and cook over low heat for 1 hour, stirring occasionally.
- Sterilize canning jars and lids in boiling water for at least 10 minutes.
- Carefully spoon figs into hot, sterilized jars and spoon syrup over figs, leaving 1/2 inch of head space. Top jars with lids and screw bands on tightly.
- Follow the instructions for "How to use the Pressure Cooker for CANNING" in this manual.
- When the unit has reached optimum pressure, it will begin to pressure-seal the mason jars.
   The programmed time will begin to count down until it reaches zero.
- When time has expired, the pressure cooker will beep 3-times and automatically go to Keep Warm.
- The Keep Warm indicator light will illuminate. This indicates the Pressure Cooker is <u>Naturally Releasing</u> the pressure. (See Notes & Tips #6)
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# FRESH GARDEN SALSA

# Ingredients

7 cups of fresh tomatoes, peeled, cored, ½ cup of vinegar seeded and diced 2 Tbsp lime juice

6 green onions, sliced 4 drops of hot pepper sauce 2 or 3 jalapeno peppers, diced 2 Tbsp fresh minced cilantro

4 cloves of garlic, minced 2 tsp salt

#### Directions:

- Sterilize canning jars and lids in boiling water for at least 10 minutes.
- Combine all ingredients in a large saucepan.
- Heat to a boil. Reduce heat and simmer 15 minutes.
- Ladle hot salsa in to hot jars leaving 1/2 inch headspace. Remove air bubbles. Wipe rim. Center hot lid on jar. Apply band and adjust until fit is fingertip tight.
- Follow the instructions for "How to use the Pressure Cooker for CANNING" in this manual.
- When the unit has reached optimum pressure, it will begin to pressure-seal the mason jars. The programmed time will begin to count down until it reaches zero.
- When time has expired, the pressure cooker will beep 3-times and automatically go to Keep Warm.
- The Keep Warm indicator light will illuminate. This indicates the Pressure Cooker is <u>Naturally Releasing</u> the pressure. (See Notes & Tips #6)
- Open lid once pressure has completely released.
- Carefully remove jars using special canning utensils or tools. **CAUTION**: **Jars are hot!**
- Set jars on a towel or cooling rack and allow to cool completely in a draft-free location.
- Check lids for seal after 24 hours. Lid should not flex up and down when center is pressed.

# HOMEMADE DRIED APRICOT JAM

## Ingredients

4½ cups of dried apricots 1 1.75oz package of powdered fruit pectin

4 ½ cups of boiling water 7 cups sugar

1 tsp vanilla extract ¼ cup fresh lemon juice

- Soak apricots in boiling water in a bowl until hydrated, about 30 minutes. Blend apricots, remaining water, and vanilla extract in a food processor, working in batches, until blended but still slightly chunky.
- Combine apricot mixture with pectin in a large pot over medium heat; cook until just boiling.
   Add sugar and lemon juice; boil until sugar has dissolved, 1 to 2 minutes.
- Sterilize jars and lids in boiling water for at least 5 minutes. Pack the apricot jam into the hot, sterilized jars, filling the jars to within 1/4-inch of the top. Run a
- knife or a thin spatula around the insides of the jars after they have been filled to remove any air bubbles. Wipe the rims of the jars with a moist paper towel to remove any food residue.
   Top with lids, and screw on rings.
- Place a rack in the bottom of the pressure cooker cooking pot and fill halfway with water.
   Carefully lower the jars into the pot using a holder. Leave a 2-inch space

between the jars. Pour in more boiling water if necessary until the water level is at least 1 inch above the tops of the jars.

- Follow the instructions for "How to use the Pressure Cooker for CANNING" in this manual.
- When the unit has reached optimum pressure, it will begin to pressure-seal the mason jars.
   The programmed time will begin to count down until it reaches zero.
- When time has expired, the pressure cooker will beep 3-times and automatically go to Keep Warm.
- The Keep Warm indicator light will illuminate. This indicates the Pressure Cooker is <u>Naturally</u> Releasing the pressure. (See Notes & Tips #6)
- Open lid once pressure has completely released.
- Carefully remove jars using special canning utensils or tools. CAUTION: Jars are hot!

Place onto a cloth-covered or wood surface, several inches apart, until cool, about 1 hour. Once cool, press the top of each lid with a finger, ensuring that the seal is tight (lid does not move up or down at all). Store in a cool, dark area.

# KETCHUP

**YIELDS 2 PINT JARS** 

#### Ingredients

½ Cups Light vinegar (champagne or cider)

½ Cups Brown sugar or agave

3 Pounds Ripe red tomatoes

½ Teaspoons Granulated garlic

1/4 Teaspoons Allspice (ground)

1/4 Teaspoons Clove (ground)

1 Teaspoon Teriyaki sauce

1 Yellow onion

1 1/2 Teaspoons all natural red food coloring

6 Ounces beer or white wine

4 Teaspoons Salt

1 Teaspoon Dry mustard powder

1/2 Teaspoon Celery seed

- Chop onion and sauté in the pressure cooker using a bit of water to sauté as needed.
- Once onions are semi-translucent, add beer or wine to the pot. Cook alcohol out. Onion should now look cooked but significantly moist. Add tomatoes (washed and whole) and all remaining ingredients to the inner pot. No need to stir.
- Set the pressure cooker to cook for 22 minutes.
- When done, the pressure cooker will beep 3-times and automatically go to Keep Warm.
- The Keep Warm indicator light will illuminate. This indicates the Pressure Cooker is <u>Naturally Releasing</u> the pressure. (See Notes & Tips #6)
- Open lid once pressure has completely released.
- Transfer mixture to blender. As an alternative, you may use a hand blender and leave in pot, although finished ketchup will not be as smooth.
- Using a slotted spoon, ladle tomatoes into your blender carefully, and then add <u>cooled</u> liquid in slowly to blender jar. Allow mixture to cool before beginning this step.
- Mix in blender, prior to adding reserved liquid. After blending on high for approximately 1
  minute, taste and add more salt or sweetener if desired- be sparing, as flavors will intensify in
  final reduction.
- Pour mixture back into cooking pot.
- Set pressure cooker to SIMMER for approximately 40 minutes using glass lid. Stir often.
- Ketchup is done when consistency is thick enough to leave a trail when stirred, and mixture
  has reduced to about 6 cups. Taste and add final additional salt and sweetener if desired.

- Add all-natural red food coloring at this point, if desired, and stir.
- Pour hot ketchup in sanitized canning jars (boil jars and lids), flip upside down to cool, and store in cupboard; or pour in a covered container and store in the fridge for up to three weeks.

# **SLOW COOKER RECIPES**

# **ITALIAN MEATBALLS**

SFRVFS 4

# Ingredients

1 lb. ground beef 1/2 lb. Italian sausage

2 eggs 1/4 C. milk

1/2 C. dry breadcrumbs 3 Tbsp. grated parmesan cheese

1/2 tsp. garlic powder salt and pepper

In a bowl, beat eggs and add milk. Add beef and Italian sausage. Mix together. Add rest of ingredients and mix until combined. Shape the mixture into 1 inch balls and place on a greased cookie sheet. Bake at 350°F for 15 minutes. Add to pressure cooker.

#### Sauce

1 15 oz. can tomato sauce
1 small onion chopped
1/2 C. beef broth
1/3 C. water
2 garlic cloves minced
1 tsp. salt
1 2 tsp. pepper

#### Directions

Mix all ingredients in a bowl and pour over the meatballs. Cover pressure cooker with the glass lid. Program to **SLOW COOK** for 4 - 5 hours.

# **SLOPPY JOES**

SFRVFS 4

## Ingredients

3 lbs. ground beef 1 C. onions diced
1 C. celery diced 1 C. green pepper diced
1 1/2 C. ketchup 2 Tbsp. Worcestershire sauce

1 6 oz. can tomato paste 3/4 C. water 1/2 tsp. paprika 3 Tbsp. vinegar 3 Tbsp. brown sugar 1 tsp. dry mustard

salt and pepper

# Directions

Brown ground beef in the pressure cooker by following the **SAUTE** instructions. Add the rest of the ingredients and mix well. Cover with glass lid and program to **SLOW COOK** for 8 hours. Serve on hamburger buns.

# CHILI DIP

SERVES 2-3

# Ingredients

1 lb. ground beef 1 16 oz. jar mild picante sauce

2 cans refried beans 8 oz. sour cream 1/2 tsp. chili powder 1/2 C. chopped onion

8 oz. cheddar cheese shredded Jalapenos or mild chilies to taste

#### Directions

Brown ground beef and onion in the pressure cooker by following the **SAUTE** instructions. Drain and add back to pressure cooker. Add beans, picante sauce, jalapenos (if using) and chili powder. Program to **SLOW COOK** for 2 - 3 hours. Add cheese and sour cream last 1/2 hour.

Serve with tortilla chips.

# WILD MUSHROOM BEEF STEW

SFRVFS 3-4

#### Ingredients

2 lbs. beef for stew, cut into 1-inch pieces 1/4 C. all-purpose flour 1 tsp. salt 1/2 tsp. pepper

1/2 tsp. dried thyme leaves, crushed 3/4 C. ready-to-serve beef broth

1/4 C. tomato paste 1/4 C. dry red wine

2 cloves garlic, minced 1 lb. red-skinned potatoes (1-1/2-inch

8 oz. assorted mushrooms, diameter), cut into quarters

such as shiitake,

cremini and oyster, cut into quarters

1 C. baby carrots Fresh parsley (optional)

#### Directions

Combine flour, salt, pepper and thyme in small bowl. Place beef into pressure cooker. Sprinkle with flour mixture: toss to coat.

Combine broth, tomato paste, wine and garlic in small bowl; mix well. Add to beef. Add potatoes, mushrooms and carrots: mix well.

Cover with glass lid and program to **SLOW COOK** for 8 to 9 hours, or until beef and vegetables are tender. (No stirring is necessary during cooking.) Stir well before serving. Garnish with parsley, if desired.

# **POT ROAST**

SERVES 6

# Ingredients

3 - 4 lb. pot roast large onion cut up

1 C. beef broth 1 lb. carrots cut in 2 inch pieces

4 - 5 potatoes cut up salt and pepper

#### Directions

Brown pot roast in the pressure cooker by following the **SAUTE** instructions. Once browned, remove pot roast from inner pot. Add vegetables to the pressure cooker. Top with roast and pour beef broth over it. Salt and pepper to taste.

Cover with glass lid and program to **SLOW COOK** for 8 hours.

# **BBQ MEATLOAF**

**SERVES 4** 

# Ingredients

2 - 2 1/2 lbs. ground beef 3/4 C. barbecue sauce
1 egg 1 C. crushed soda crackers
2 trp. Workersterkhire sauce

2 tsp. Worcestershire sauce1/2 C. diced onion1/2 tsp. salt1/4 C. water2 tsp. prepared mustard2 Tbsp. brown sugar

1 Tbsp. vinegar

#### Directions

Mix all ingredients in a large bowl. Form into a meatloaf shape that will fit into your pressure cooker. Cut a strip of foil to go under the meatloaf in the pressure cooker, leaving it long enough so that you can use it to lift the meatloaf out when it is finished cooking.

After placing the meatloaf in pressure cooker, top the meatloaf with an additional 1/3 C. barbecue sauce. Cover with glass lid and program to **SLOW COOK** for 8 - 9 hours.

# **CHICKEN MERLOT WITH MUSHROOMS**

SFRVFS 4

## Ingredients

2 1/2 to 3 lbs. boneless, 12 oz. sliced fresh mushrooms skinless chicken thighs 1 large onion, peeled and chopped

2 garlic cloves, peeled and minced 3/4 C. low-sodium chicken broth

1 6-oz. can tomato paste 1/4 C. Merlot or any dry red wine, or 2 Tbsp. quick-cooking tapioca additional chicken broth

2 Tbsp. chopped fresh basil 2 tsp. granulated sugar

1/4 tsp. salt1/4 tsp. freshly ground black pepper2 C. cooked noodles2 Tbsp. freshly grated Parmesan cheese

#### Directions

Rinse chicken, pat dry and set aside.

Place the mushrooms, onion and garlic in the pressure cooker. Place the chicken pieces on top of the vegetables.

Combine broth, tomato paste, wine, tapioca, dried basil (if using), sugar, salt and pepper in a medium bowl. Pour mixture over the chicken and vegetables.

Cover with glass lid and program to **SLOW COOK** for 7 to 8 hours.

To serve, spoon chicken mixture over cooked noodles. Sprinkle with Parmesan cheese.

# **CHICKEN WINGS IN HONEY SAUCE**

SERVES 2-3

# Inaredients

3 pounds chicken wings (16 wings) salt and pepper to taste
2 cups honey 1 cup soy sauce
1/2 cup ketchup 1/4 cup oil
2 cloves garlic, minced

#### Directions

Rinse chicken and pat dry. Cut off and discard wing tips. Cut each wing at joint to make two sections. Sprinkle wing parts with salt and pepper.

Place wing parts on broiler pan. Broil 5-4 inches from heat 20 minutes, 10 minutes a side or until chicken is brown. Transfer chicken to pressure cooker.

For sauce, combine honey, soy sauce, ketchup, oil and garlic in bowl. Pour over chicken wings. Cover with glass lid and program to **SLOW COOK** for 4-5 hours.

# SOUTHWESTERN CHICKEN

SERVES 6

## Ingredients

1 (15-oz) can whole kernel corn, drained 1 (11- oz) can Mexicorn, drained 1 (15- oz) can black beans, rinsed and drained 1 (16- oz) jar chunky salsa (divided use) 6 boneless, skinless chicken breast halves, rinsed and dried

Flour tortillas Shredded cheddar cheese

#### Directions

Combine the cans of corn, beans and half the salsa in pressure cooker. Top with the chicken. Pour remaining sauce over.

Cover with glass lid and program to **SLOW COOK** for 9.5 hours or until meat juices run clear. Serve with warm tortillas; top with cheese.

# CHICKEN PAPRIKA WITH DUMPLINGS

SERVES 6-8

# Ingredients

6 boneless, skinless chicken breasts
1 medium onion chopped
1 tsp. salt
1/2 tsp. black pepper
1 Tbsp. Hungarian paprika
1 cup chicken broth
8 ounces sour cream
1 Tbsp. cornstarch or flour

# **Dumpling Ingredients:**

3 eggs 1/3 cup water

2-1/2 cups all-purpose flour, sifted

## Directions

Add onions to pressure cooker. Add seasonings, chicken and broth.

Cover with glass lid and program to **SLOW COOK** for 5 to 6 hours.

Shortly before serving, stir together sour cream and cornstarch. Remove glass lid and follow **SAUTE** instructions and stir mixture into pressure cooker and heat through.

Taste and adjust seasonings (sour cream and cornstarch may be omitted if desired). Serve with dumplings (recipe below)

# **Dumplings Instructions**

Beat 3 eggs, add 1/3 cup water and 2-1/2 cups flour. Beat with a spoon until smooth. Drop from teaspoon into boiling salted water and cook until dumplings rise to the top, approximately 10 minutes.

# **CHEESY SHRIMP PASTA**

SERVES 3

## Ingredients

1 (2-lb.) block Velveeta cheese1 (16-oz.) carton half-and-half1 (8-oz) Canned Chopped Tomatoes1 small onion, chopped4 pods garlic, minced1 lb. raw shrimp

Cooked pasta of choice

#### Directions

Place cheese, half-and-half, tomatoes, onion and garlic in pressure cooker. Cover with glass lid and program to **SLOW COOK** for 4 hours.

Add shrimp and **SLOW COOK** for another 90 minutes or until shrimp are pink.

Cook pasta of choice and spoon sauce over cooked pasta.

# **SALMON BAKE**

SERVES 3

# Ingredients

2 cans salmon, boned and skinned (15 oz. size) 4 cups bread crumbs 1 tsp. lemon juice 1 (8-oz.) can tomatoes

1 chopped green bell pepper 1 (8-oz.) can cream of onion soup 1 can cream of celery soup 4 well beaten eggs

1 tsp. garlic powder 1 teaspoon Greek seasoning

2 chicken bouillon cubes, crushed 1/4 cup milk

#### Directions

Combine all ingredients except celery soup and milk. Pour into pressure cooker. Cover with glass lid and program to **SLOW COOK** for 5 hours.

Combine cream of celery soup with 1/2 cup of milk and heat in saucepan. Use as a sauce for salmon bake.

# **BAKED STUFFED APPLES**

SERVES 6

# Ingredients

6 medium red tart apples 1 C. light brown sugar 1/4 C. raisins 1 Tbsp. orange peel 1/4 C. butter 2 C. very hot water 3 Tbsp. orange juice concentrate

- Wash and core the apples, but don't peel them. In a pan that will fit in your pressure cooker, stand the apples up. Butter the pan first.
- Fill the core cavities with the brown sugar, raisins and orange peel. Top with butter.
- Place the pan in the pressure cooker. Pour the hot water around the pan. Sprinkle the orange
  juice concentrate over the apples.
- Cover with glass lid and program to SLOW COOK for 5 hours. for 3 5 hours or until apples are tender.

# PIÑA COLADA BREAD PUDDING

**SERVES 4** 

# Inaredients

1 lb. loaf French bread 6 oz. pineapple juice 1/2 C. cream of coconut

3 eggs 1 C. raisins

1 t. lemon peel; grated

10 oz. frozen piña colada drink mix

12 oz. evaporated milk 2 large bananas; sliced

1/4 C. light rum

8 oz. pineapple; crushed w/juice

fresh mint sprigs

#### Directions

- With a sharp knife, peel crust from bread; discard crust or make into bread crumbs for use in another recipe. Cut bread into 1-inch cubes; set aside. In blender or food processor, fitted with a metal blade, combine 1/2 of the following ingredients; drink mix, pineapple juice, evaporated milk, cream of coconut, and banana slices.
- Process until pureed; pour puree into a 6-cup bowl. Puree remaining 1/2 of liquid ingredients and banana slices as well as eggs and liqueur, if desired.
- Combine both purees; set aside. Combine raisins and crushed pineapple (and the juice); set aside. Place about 2/3 of bread cubes in pressure cooker, sprinkle with 1/2 t. grated lemon peel and spread 1 cup of the raisin-pineapple mixture over bread in pressure cooker. Top with remaining bread cubes, then with remaining 1/2 t. lemon peel and raisin-pineapple mixture. Pour pureed ingredients into pressure cooker.
- Cover with glass lid and program to **SLOW COOK** for 6 hours. Spread pudding into 8 or 10 dessert dishes and serve hot. Garnish with fresh mint sprigs.

# **BLUEBERRY BUMP CAKE**

SFRVFS 6

# Inaredients

2 21 oz. cans blueberry pie filling 1 C. butter

2 packages yellow cake mix 1 C. chopped walnuts

#### Directions

Place pie filling in the pressure cooker. Combine dry cake mix and butter, sprinkle over filling. Sprinkle the walnuts on top of that. Cover with glass lid and program to **SLOW COOK** for 2 - 3 hours. Serve warm in bowls.

Top with whipped cream or vanilla ice cream.

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