

5 MARINADES THAT WILL TRANSFORM WEEKNIGHT DINNERS



MIDDLE EASTERN

- 1 white onion, grated
- 1 cup flat leaf parsley, finely chopped
- 1 tsp ground allspice
- 1 tsp dried mint
- 1 tsp salt
- 1/2 tsp black pepper
- 1/2 tsp cayenne pepper
- 1/2 tsp ground cinnamon



CAJUN DRY RUB

- 1 Tbs paprika
- 2 1/2 tsp salt
- 1 tsp onion powder
- 1/2 tsp cayenne pepper
- 1 tsp ground cumin
- 1 tsp black pepper
- 1/2 tsp dried thyme
- 1/2 tsp dried oregano

MORROCCAN

- 1/4 cup olive oil
- 1/4 cup fresh lemon juice
- 1 Tbs paprika
- 2 garlic cloves, chopped
- 1/2 cup cilantro, chopped
- 1/2 cup flat leaf parsley, chopped
- 1 tsp ground cumin
- 1 tsp ground coriander
- 1 tsp black pepper
- 1 tsp of Harissa or your favorite hot sauce



SOUTH AMERICAN

- 1/2 cup vegetable oil
- 2 Tbs lime juice
- 2 Poblano chilies, seeded & finely chopped
- 2 garlic cloves, minced
- 1 tsp salt
- 1/2 tsp black pepper

GREEK

- 2/3 cup olive oil
- 1/4 cup red wine vinegar
- 1 medium onion grated
- 2 bay leaves, crushed
- 2 tsp dried oregano
- 1 tsp ground coriander
- 1 tsp salt
- 1 tsp dried thyme
- 2 garlic cloves, grated or finely diced
- 1/2 tsp black pepper

HOW TO USE MARINADES

A MARINADE CAN BE A PASTE, A LIQUID OR A DRY RUB (SUCH AS A SIMPLE HERB AND SPICE MIX). YOU CAN ALSO MIX AND MATCH FLAVOURS TO CREATE YOUR OWN BLENDS. MARINADES VARY FROM RECIPE TO RECIPE BUT THEY GENERALLY CONTAIN THREE BASIC COMPONENTS – OILS, ACIDS AND SEASONINGS.



MARINATING TIMES

- Poultry: 2-4 hours
- Roasts: 4-12 hours
- Steak: 30 minutes
- Seafood: 30 minutes

GRILL

VEGGIES, SEAFOOD AND MEAT ARE ALL GREAT ON THE GRILL. NOTE THAT SUGAR BURNS AT RELATIVELY LOW TEMPERATURES SO BE CAREFUL OF FLARE-UPS OR HIGH HEAT IF YOUR MARINADE CONTAINS SUGAR, HONEY ETC.



BROIL

BE SURE TO UTILIZE YOUR OVENS BEST FEATURE, THE BROILER! GREAT FOR BOTH MEATS AND VEGGIES, COOK YOUR FOOD QUICKLY ABOUT 4-6 INCHES BELOW THE HEATING ELEMENT. GREAT FOR THINNER CUTS OF FOOD SUCH AS SKEWERED FOOD, FILLETS AND SLICES.



BAKE

PERFECT FOR LARGER FOOD ITEMS SUCH AS ROASTS, SHEET-PAN DINNERS AND WHOLE CHICKENS.

