

Making CHRISTMAS Easiet

Christmas Stress-less Step by step guide

Christmas Eve

Make some stuffing (Packet or from scratch) and store in the fridge.

Roast your potatoes and parsnips and pop in airtight containers in the fridge ready to heat in a hot oven on the day. Roast slightly less than normal so that they can cook further on the day.

Peel and chop your carrots and pop in cold water with a squeeze of lemon in an airtight container. Place in the fridge ready to roast on Christmas day.

Prepare and parboil the brussel sprouts and chill in an airtight container, ready to fry on Christmas day.

Make the Yorkshire puddings, allow to cool, place in freezer bags and freeze ready to heat in the oven on Christmas day.

Wrap your pigs in blankets and pop in the 6. fridge covered.

Set alarms Christmas Day timings (see page 3) so that you are prepped for the big day.

And finally Check oven space – is your oven as big as your ambitions? Set the table.



Have a well deserved drink... Or two.

Christmas Day

9-10am

Take your turkey and stuffing out of the fridge to reach room temperature and pre-heat the oven to the stated temperature.

11:00am

Rub the turkey all over with oil or butter and season. **Ensure giblets are removed**. Fill the neck and body cavities with the pre-bought stuffing.

11:15am

Pop the turkey in the oven on a pre-foiled tray (calculate time depending on size). Baste regularly.

11:30am

Prep your cabbage and accompanying cooking ingredients according to your chosen recipe.



Remember to enjoy the festivities with the family! Or, go and prep a cold starter to pop in the fridge!

2:00pm

Remove the turkey from the oven, cover loosely (based on 3 hour cooking time – it may need longer). De-glaze, drain and sieve the juices to add to your gravy.

2:10pm

Make the gravy and leave to simmer on a low heat.

2:20pm

Pop the cabbage in a pan to fry with chosen recipe ingredients. Get your pigs in blankets and carrots in the oven at 200°C.

2:30pm

Begin heating through any other sauces on a low heat and pop the pre-roasted potatoes (uncovered) and parsnips (covered with foil) in the oven to heat through.

2:40pm

Start frying the parboiled brussel sprouts with chosen recipe ingredients. **Warm plates and serve up any extras** (cranberry sauce). Take a drinks order.

2:50pm

Cover the potatoes in foil and pop the Yorkshire puddings in the oven to heat through.

3:00pm

Call on Santa's helpers to serve your Christmas dinner

If serving a cold starter then pop all hot veg and sides into oven-proof dishes in a switched off oven to keep warm and pop lids on sauces over a low heat on the hob whilst you enjoy your starter.