

Spicy Pork Meatballs with a Muhammara Dipping Sauce

SERVES 4-6



MEATBALL INGREDIENTS:

1 POUND GROUND PORK

2 CHICKEN LIVERS (trimmed and finely chopped)

1 CUP FRESH BREAD CRUMBS

1 LARGE EGG (beaten)

1/8 CUP CHOPPED FRESH PARSLEY LEAVES

1/8 CUP CHOPPED FRESH CILANTRO LEAVES

2 TABLESPOONS FRESH CHOPPED MINT LEAVES

1/2 OF A JALAPENO PEPPER (finely diced)

3 LARGE GARLIC CLOVES (finely chopped)

2 TABLESPOONS GRATED LEMON ZEST

1/8 TEASPOON GROUND CINNAMON

1 TEASPOON KOSHER SALT

1 TEASPOON GROUND BLACK PEPPER

MUHAMMARA SAUCE INGREDIENTS:

1/4 POUND WALNUTS

2 TABLESPOONS TOMATO PASTE

1 CUP FRESH BREAD CRUMBS

3 TABLESPOONS OLIVE OIL

11/2 TABLESPOONS POMEGRANATE MOLASSES

2 RED PEPPERS (roasted and beeled)

1 TEASPOON PIMENTON OR ALEPPO

PEPPER POWDER

JUICE OF ONE LEMON

1 TEAPOONS GROUND CUMIN

MEATBALL DIRECTIONS:

In medium sized bowl combine all the ingredients. Refrigerate mixture for about a half an hour to let the flavors meld. Form the meatballs into desired size and brown in a large skillet over medium heat. Transfer the browned meatballs to sheet tray and bake in a 375 degree fahrenheit oven about 8–10 minutes until done.

MUHAMMARA SAUCE DIRECTIONS:

Place all the ingredients in a food processor and blend until fairly smooth. Serve at room temperature; but store in the refrigerator. This recipe will keep up to two weeks.