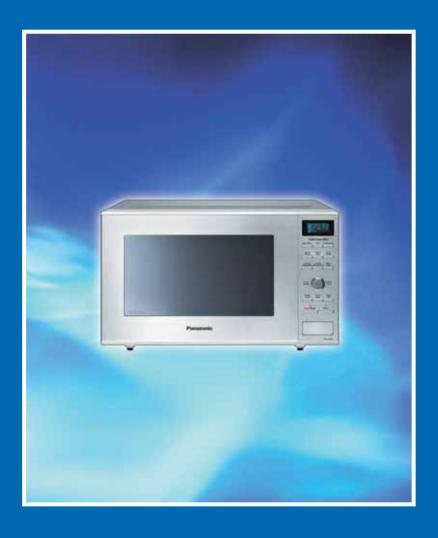
# **Panasonic**®

# Operating Instruction and Cook Book Grill Microwave Oven Household Use Only





Model NO. NN-GD682S

Please read these instructions carefully before using this product, and save this manual for future use.

We are glad you have chosen to purchase a PANASONIC microwave oven. Before operating this oven, please read these instructions carefully and completely, and keep them for further reference.

If you have only used a microwave oven for reheating and defrosting, with Panasonic's Inverter Technology you can be reassured of excellent results when cooking a variety of foods, as the 'soft' penetration of microwave energy to the centre of food helps prevent over cooking on edges and surfaces. Foods can now be gently simmered without the concern of boil over.

After reading the introductory chapter, we are sure you will be able to master the basic techniques and thereby develop a firm understanding of your new oven. This book includes recipes from starters to desserts. After trying our recipes be sure to adapt your favourite recipes to microwave methods.

Start experimenting now, and enjoy the first class results you will achieve by using your new microwave oven.

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### **Important Safety Instructions**

#### READ CAREFULLY AND KEEP FOR FUTURE REFERENCE

# Precautions to be taken when using Microwave Ovens for Heating foodstuffs

**INSPECTION FOR DAMAGE.** A microwave oven should only be used if an inspection confirms all of the following conditions:

- 1. The grille is not damaged or broken.
- 2. The door fits squarely and securely and opens and closes smoothly.
- 3. The door hinges are in good condition.
- The metal plates of a metal seal on the door are neither buckled nor deformed.
- The door seals are neither covered with food nor have large burn marks.

**PRECAUTIONS.** Microwave radiation from microwave ovens can cause harmful effects if the following precautions are not taken:

- Never tamper with or deactivate the interlocking devices on the door.
- Never poke an object, particularly a metal object, through a grille or between the door and the oven while the oven is operating.
- 3. Never place saucepans, unopened cans or other heavy metal objects in the oven.
- 4. Do not let other metallic articles, e.g., fast food foil containers, touch the side of the oven.
- Clean the oven cavity, the door and the seals with water and a mild detergent at regular intervals.
   Never use any form of abrasive cleaner that may scratch or scour surfaces around the door.
- 6. Always use the oven with trays or cookware recommended by the manufacturer.
- Never operate the oven without a load (i.e., an absorbing material such as food or water) in the oven cavity unless specifically allowed in the manufacturer's literature.
- For horizontally hinged doors, never rest heavy objects such as food containers on the door while it is open.
- Do not place sealed containers in microwave ovens. Baby bottles fitted with a screw cap or a teat are considered to be sealed containers.
- 10. This appliance is not intended for use by persons (including children) with reduced physical, sensory or mental capabilities, or lack of experience and knowledge, unless they have been given supervision or instruction concerning use of the appliance by a person responsible for their safety.
- 11. Young children should be supervised to ensure that they do not play with the appliance.
- 12. It is hazardous for anyone other than a competent person to carry out any service or repair operation that involves the removal of a cover which gives protection against exposure to microwave energy.

#### **Important Instructions**

WARNING—To reduce the risk of burns, electric shock, fire, injury to persons or excessive microwave energy:

- Read all instructions before using the microwave oven.
- Some products such as whole eggs and sealed containers - (for example, closed glass jars and sealed baby bottles with teat) - may explode and should not be heated in the microwave oven.
- Use this microwave oven only for its intended use as described in this manual.
- 4. As with any appliance, close supervision is necessary when used by children.
- Do not operate this microwave oven, if it is not working properly, or if it has been damaged or dropped.
- 6. Do not store or use this appliance outdoors.
- 7. Do not immerse cord or plug in water.
- 8. Keep cord away from heated surfaces.
- 9. Do not let cord hang over edge of table or counter.
- 10. To reduce the risk of fire in the oven cavity:
  - (a) Do not overcook food. Carefully attend microwave oven if paper, plastic, or other combustible materials are placed inside the oven to facilitate cooking.
  - (b) Heating therapeutic wheat bags is not recommended. If heating, do not leave unattended and follow manufacturers' instructions carefully.
  - (c) Remove wire twist-ties from bags before placing bag in oven.
  - (d) If materials inside the oven should ignite, keep oven door closed, turn oven off at the wall switch, or shut off power at the fuse or circuit breaker panel.
  - (e) Never leave microwave unattended while cooking or reheating.
- 11. Do not remove outer panel from oven.
- 12. The appliances are not intended to be operated by means of an external timer or separate remote-control system.
- 13. Failure to maintain the oven in a clean condition could lead to deterioration of the surface that could adversely affect the life of the appliance and possibly result in a hazardous situation.

#### **Practical Hints:**

- 1. For initial use of COMBINATION and GRILL, if you see white smoke arise, it is not malfunction.
- Exterior oven surfaces, including air vents on the cabinet and the oven door will get hot during COMBINATION and GRILL. Use care when opening or closing door and when inserting or removing food and accessories.
- The oven has a heater situated in the top of the oven. After using the GRILL and COMBINATION functions, the ceiling will be very hot.
- The accessible parts may become hot when GRILL or COMBINATION is in use. Children should be kept away.

### **Important Safety Instructions**

#### Circuits

Your microwave ovens should be operated on a separate circuit from other appliances. The voltage used must be the same as specified on this microwave oven. Failure to do this may cause the power board fuse to blow, and/or food to cook slower. Do not insert higher value fuse in the power board.

#### **Earthing Instructions**

This microwave oven must be earthed. In the event of an electrical short circuit, earthing reduces the risk of electric shock by providing an escape wire for the electric current. This microwave oven is equipped with a cord having an earthing wire with an earthing plug.

The plug must be plugged into an outlet that is properly installed and earthed.

WARNING—Improper use of the earthing plug can result in a risk of electric shock.

WE CERTIFY THAT THIS MICROWAVE OVEN HAS BEEN INSPECTED AND COMPLIES WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF REGULATION 3, SUBCLAUSE(2), OF THE MICROWAVE OVENS REGULATIONS 1982.

(This statement applicable only to New Zealand.)

We certify that this microwave oven has been inspected and complies with the safety requirements of government notice 466 of March 1981, and complies with the Radio Regulation of government notice 587 of March 1986.

(This statement applicable only to South Africa)

### WARNING

- a) The door seals and door seal areas should be cleaned with a damp cloth. The appliance should be inspected for damage to the door seals and door seal areas and if these areas are damaged the appliance should not be operated until it has been repaired by a qualified service technician trained by the manufacturer.
- It is dangerous for anyone other than a service technician trained by the manufacturer to perform repair service.
- If the supply cord of this appliance is damaged, it must be replaced by a qualified service technician with the special cord available only from the manufacturer.
- Before use, the user should check that whether the utensils are suitable for use in microwave ovens.
- e) Liquids or other foods must not be heated in sealed containers since they are liable to explodeexplode, at the same time it should avoid the boiling liquids splash.
- f) Only allow children to use the oven without supervision when adequate instructions have been given so that the child is able to use the oven in a safe way and understands the hazards of improper use.
- g) when the appliance is operated in the combination mode, children should only use the oven under adult supervision due to the temperatures generated.
- h) Children being supervised not to play with appliance.

### **Installation and General Instructions**

#### General Use

- In order to maintain high quality, do not operate the oven when empty. The microwave energy will reflect continuously throughout the oven if no food or water is present to absorb energy. This can lead to damage to the microwave oven including arcing within the oven cavity.
- If smoke is observed, press the STOP/RESET
  Pad and leave door closed in order to stifle any
  flames. Disconnect the power cord, and/or shut
  off power at the fuse or circuit breaker panel.
- 3. Do not dry clothes, newspapers or other materials in oven. They may catch on fire.
- Do not use recycled paper products, unless the paper product is labelled as safe for microwave oven use. Recycled paper products may contain impurities which may cause sparks and/or fires when used.
- Do not use newspapers or paper bags for cooking.
- 6. Do not hit or strike the Control Panel. Damage to controls may occur.

- 7. POT HOLDERS may be needed as heat from food is transferred to the cooking container and from the container to the Glass Tray. The GlassTray can be very hot after removing the cooking container from the oven.
- 8. Do not store flammable materials next to, on top of, or in the oven. It could be a fire hazard.
- Do not cook food directly on Glass Tray unless indicated in recipes. (Food should be placed in a suitable cooking utensil.)
- 10. DO NOT use this oven to heat chemicals or other non-food products. DO NOT clean this oven with any product that is labelled as containing corrosive chemicals. The heating of corrosive chemicals in this oven may cause microwave radiation leaks.
- 11. If glass tray is hot, allow to cool before cleaning or placing in water.
- During use the appliance becomes hot. Care should be taken to avoid touching heating elements inside the oven.

### **Installation and General Instructions**

- 13. When using the COMBINATION mode, never place any aluminum or metal container directly on the wire rack. Always insert a heat-proof, glass plate or dish between the wire rack and the aluminum container. This will prevent sparking that may damage the oven.
- 14. It is recommended not to use the wire rack when cooking in the MICROWAVE mode only.
- 15. During cooking, some steam will condense inside and/or on the oven door. This is normal and safe. Steam will disappear after the oven has cooled down.
- 16. Do not leave the microwave unattended while reheating or cooking food in disposable containers made of plastic, paper or other combustible materials, as these types of containers can ignite if overheated.

#### Placement of Oven

- The oven must be placed on a flat, stable surface, more than 85 cm above the floor. For correct operation, the oven must have sufficient air flow. Allow 15 cm of space on the top of the oven, 10 cm at the back, and 10 cm on both sides. If one side of the oven is placed flush to wall, the other side or top must not be blocked. Do not remove feet.
  - a. Do not block air vents. If they are blocked during operation, the oven may be overheated and damaged. When using any cloth over the oven, the air intake and exhaust should not be blocked. Also allow sufficient space on back and both sides of the oven.
  - Do not place oven near a hot or damp surface such as a gas stove, electric range or sink etc.
  - c. Do not operate oven when room humidity is too high.
- This oven was manufactured for household use only.
- This oven is also designed for installation into a wall cabinet, use the proper trim kit available from a local Panasonic dealer. Follow all instructions packed with the kit.

#### Food

- Do not use your oven for home canning or the heating of any closed jar. Pressure will build up and the jar may explode. In addition, the microwave oven cannot maintain the food at the correct canning temperature. Improperly canned food may spoil and be dangerous to consume.
- 2. Do not attempt to deep fat fry in your microwave oven.
- Do not boil eggs in their shell and whole hardboiled eggs (unless otherwise stated in Cooking Guide section). Pressure will build up and the eggs will explode.
- Potatoes, apples, egg yolks, chicken wings, whole squash and sausages are examples of foods with nonporous skins. This type of food must be pierced before cooking, to prevent bursting.

- 5. When heating liquids, e.g. soup, sauces and beverages, in your microwave oven, overheating the liquid beyond boiling point can occur without evidence of bubbling. This could result in a sudden boil over of hot liquid. To prevent this possibility the following steps should be taken:
  - a) Avoid using straight-sided containers with narrow necks.
  - b) Do not overheat.
  - c) <u>Stir</u> the liquid before placing the container in the oven and halfway through cooking time.
  - d) After heating, allow to stand in the oven for a short time, stirring again before carefully removing the container.
- 6. DO NOT USE A CONVENTIONAL MEAT THERMOMETER IN THE MICROWAVE OVEN. To check the degree of cooking of roasts and poultry use a MICROWAVE THERMOMETER. Alternatively, a conventional meat thermometer may be used after the food is removed from the oven. If undercooked, return meat or poultry to the oven and cook for a few more minutes at the recommended power level. It is important to ensure that meat and poultry are thoroughly cooked.
- 7. COOKING TIMES given in the Cooking Guide section are APPROXIMATE. Factors that may affect cooking time are preferred degree of moisture content, starting temperature, altitude, volume, size, shape of food and utensils used. As you become familiar with the oven, you will be able to adjust for these factors.
- It is better to UNDERCOOK RATHER THAN OVERCOOK foods. If food is undercooked, it can always be returned to the oven for further cooking. If food is overcooked, nothing can be done. Always start with minimum cooking times recommended.
- Extreme care should be taken when cooking popcorn in a microwave oven. Cook for minimum time as recommended by manufacturer. Use the directions suitable for the wattage of your microwave oven. NEVER leave oven unattended when popping popcorn.
- When heating food in plastic or paper containers, check the oven frequently due to the possibility of ignition.
- 11. The contents of feeding bottles and baby food jars are to be stirred or shaken and the temperature is to be checked before consumption, in order to avoid burns.

### Microwaves and How They Work

Microwaves are a form of high frequency radio waves similar to those used by a radio, including AM, FM and CB. They are similar to a television where the radio waves are converted to a picture on the screen. However, microwaves are much shorter than radio waves; approximately twelve centimetres wave length. Electricity is converted into microwave energy by the magnetron tube (which is the heart of the microwave oven).

From the magnetron tube, microwave energy is transmitted to the oven cavity through a small plastic covered piece. The microwaves are converted to heat in the food. The microwaves enter from the outside of the food and travel through the food losing half of their power every two to three centimetres. Continued cooking to the centre occurs by conduction.

Although pacemakers used to be affected by microwaves (as well as by other radio waves), they are now shielded and are not bothered by these interferences. This allows people with pacemakers to sit calmly by their radio or television and cook with microwave ovens.

When microwaves come in contact with a substance, any one or combination of three things may occur. They can be:

- 1. REFLECTED
- 2. TRANSMITTED
- 3. ABSORBED

#### Reflection:

Metal substances REFLECT microwave energy and because there is no absorption, there is no heating. This is why the oven interior is either stainless steel or epoxy-coated steel. This ensures that the microwaves are kept inside the cavity and evenly distributed throughout the food with the help of the turntable.

#### Transmission:

Such substances as paper, glass and plastic TRANSMIT microwave energy and do not become hot except from food. Because these substances do not reflect or absorb microwave energy, they are ideal materials for microwave cooking containers.

#### **Absorption:**

Food contains moisture and will ABSORB microwave energy, which causes the moisture molecules within the food to vibrate at an incredible rate (2,450,000,000 times per second). Friction, created by the vibration, produces heat energy which is conducted throughout the food.

### **Cookware and Utensils Guide**

It is important to use the correct container when cooking in a microwave oven. The following will help you make the right selection.

### How to Test a Container for Safe Microwave Oven Use

TO TEST A CONTAINER FOR SAFE MICROWAVE OVEN USE: Fill a 1-cup glass measure with cool water and place it in the microwave oven alongside the empty container to be tested; heat one (1) minute at P10. If the container is microwave ovensafe (transparent to microwave energy), the container should remain comfortably cool, the water in glass measure should be hot. If the container is hot, it has absorbed some microwave energy and should NOT be used. This test cannot be used for plastic containers.

#### Paper Products and Freezer Wrap

Waxed paper, paper plates, cups and napkins should not be used for heating or cooking food. Freezer wrap should not be used as it is not heat resistant and may melt. Paper towel, greaseproof paper and bake paper may be safely used for short periods of time for covering or lining.

#### Glass, Ceramic and China

Heat-Resistant glass cookware is invaluable in microwave cooking. Many of these items are readily available in most homes: glass jugs, mixing bowls, loaf dishes, covered casseroles, oblong baking dishes, pie plates and round or square cake dishes. Examples of this type of cookware are Pyrex® and Corningware®.

Dinnerware can be used for microwave heating. Many brands of dinnerware are microwave safe. Check the care information for reference to microwave use for dinnerware and serving pieces. If dinnerware is marked ovenproof, it frequently is safe to use in the microwave oven. However, to be sure, check by conducting microwave dish test previously mentioned.

Several types of glassware and dinnerware are not recommended for use in the microwave oven. Do not use dishes with metallic trim or containers with metal parts. Do not use cups or mugs with glued on handles, as they may fall off with continued heating. Do not use delicate glassware. Although the glassware may be transparent to microwave energy the heat from the food may cause the glassware to crack.

### Cookware and Utensils Guide (continued)

#### **Plastics**

Plastic dishes, cups and some freezer containers should be used with care in a microwave oven. Choose plastic containers carefully, as some plastic containers may become soft, melt and may scorch. The majority of plastic dishes, even those designed for use in the microwave oven, are not suitable for cooking foods with high fat or sugar content, or for lengthy cooking times. Most microwave plastic dishes should not be used for longer than 3 to 5 minutes on P10 power. These dishes, although not suitable for extended cooking, may be used successfully for defrosting or for use on lower power levels. Cooking Bags designed to withstand boiling, freezing, or conventional heating are microwave safe. Prepare bags according to manufacturer's directions. When cooking by microwave, DO NOT use wire twist-ties to close bag. They can act as an antenna and cause arcing (sparks). DO NOT COOK IN PLASTIC FOOD STORAGE BAGS.

Plastic Wrap such as GLAD WRAP® can be used to cover dishes in most recipes. Over an extended heating time, some disfiguration of the wrap may occur. When removing plastic wrap "covers", as well as any glass lid, be careful to remove it away from you to avoid steam burns.

Loosen plastic but let dish stand, covered.

#### **Jars and Bottles**

Jars and bottles can be used to warm food to serving temperature, if the lid is removed first. Cooking should not be done in these containers since most are not heat resistant and during extended heating times, heat from food would cause cracking or breaking.

#### Metal

Metal cookware or utensils, or those with metallic trim, should NOT be used in the microwave. Since microwave energy is reflected by metal, foods in metal containers will not cook evenly. There is also a possibility of "arcing".

Although metal utensils should be avoided in microwave cooking, some metal can be helpful when used correctly.

Aluminum foil can be used safely, if certain guidelines are followed, to prevent overcooking. Small pieces of foil are used to shield areas such as chicken wings, tips of roasts, or other thin parts that cook before the rest of the recipe is finished. Make sure foil is attached securely and doesn't touch sides of oven, otherwise arcing may occur. Foil lined containers, either cardboard or plastic, should NOT be used in the microwave oven as arcing could occur.

Metal twist-ties, either paper or plastic coated, should NOT be used in the microwave oven. Frozen dinner trays can be used in the microwave, if the container is no deeper than 2 cm and is filled with food. Metal skewers can not be used in microwave ovens as arcing may occur. Wooden skewers are readily available and give the same result.

**Shells:** Scalloped baking shells are best used during reheating and for short periods of cooking time only.

Thermometers are available for use in microwave ovens. DO NOT USE CONVENTIONAL MERCURY TYPE CANDY OR MEAT THERMOMETERS in food while cooking in the microwave oven.

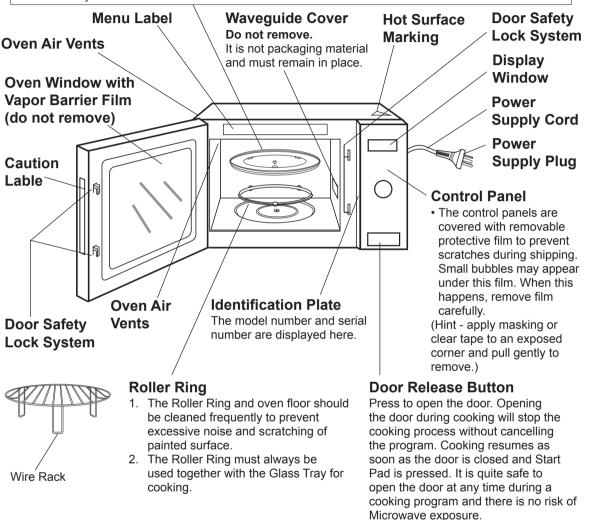
#### Straw. Wicker and Wood

Straw and wicker baskets may be used in the microwave oven for short periods of time to warm rolls or bread. Large wooden utensils, such as bowls or cutting boards should NOT be used for prolonged heating as the microwave energy may cause the wood to become dry and brittle.

### **Feature Diagram**

#### **Glass Tray**

- 1. Do not operate the oven without the Roller Ring and Glass Tray in place.
- 2. Only use the Glass Tray specifically designed for this oven. Do not substitute another Glass Tray.
- 3. If Glass Tray is hot, allow to cool before cleaning or placing in water.
- 4. **Do not** cook directly on Glass Tray. Always place food on a microwave-safe dish, or on a rack set in a microwave-safe dish.
- 5. If food or utensil on Glass Tray touches oven walls, causing the tray to stop moving, the tray will automatically rotate in opposite direction. This is normal.
- 6. Glass Tray can rotate in either direction.



#### Oven Light:

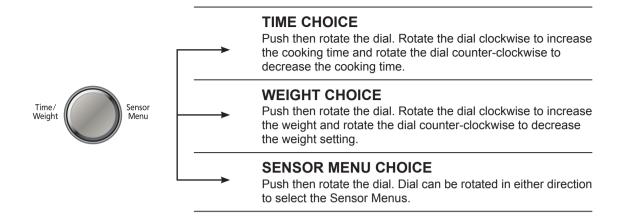
Oven Light will turn on during cooking and also when door is opened.

#### NOTE:

The above illustration is for reference only.

### **Dial Features**

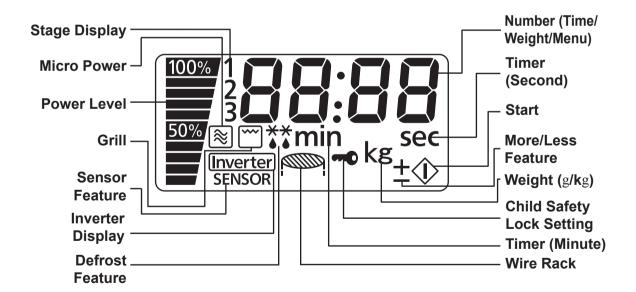
Press and release dial to expand (pop-out). After setting desired program, push dial in to avoid accidental changing of the Programmed time.



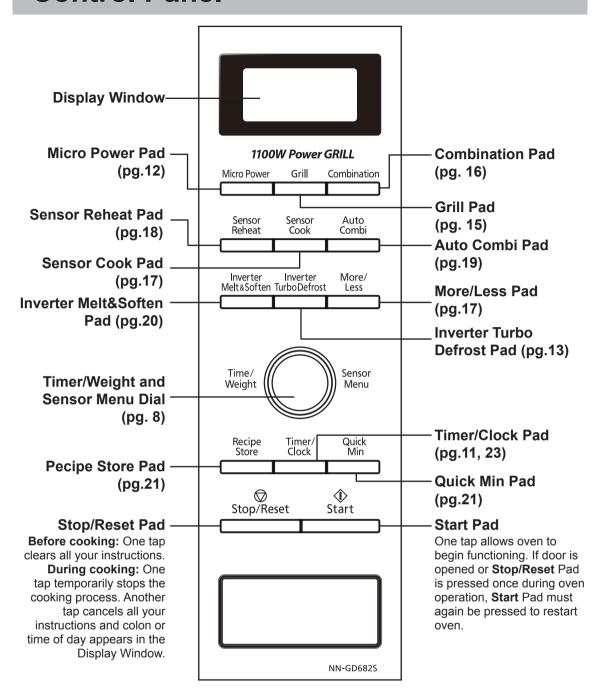
#### NOTE:

The maximum programmable time using Time Dial is up to 90 minutes.

### **Display Window**



### **Control Panel**



#### **Beep Sound**

When pad is pressed correctly, a beep sound will be heard. If a pad is pressed and no beep is heard, the unit does not or cannot accept the instruction. The oven will beep twice between programmed stages. At the end of any complete programme, the oven will beep five times.

#### NOTE:

If an operation is set and **Start** Pad is not pressed, after 6 minutes, the oven will automatically cancel the operation. The display will revert back to clock or colon mode.

### Let's Start To Use Your Oven!

#### 1 Plug in

Plug into a properly earthed electrical outlet.

#### 2 Open Door

Open the door and place container with food in a dish on Glass Tray in the oven. Then close the door.

#### 3 Select Power Level

eg. P7

Press **Micro Power** Pad four times. (see page 12 for Micro Power chart)

Micro Power



#### 4 Set Time

e.g. 1 minute 30 seconds

Rotate the Time/Weight Dial until the desired time appears in the display window.



Verify your selection(s) in the Display Window.

#### NOTE:

When cooking time is longer than 60 minutes, the time will appear in hours and minutes. 0 - 3 minute time counts up in 10 seconds. 3 - 8 minute time counts up in 30 seconds. 8 - 30 minute time counts up in 1 minute. Upwards from 30 minutes time counts up in 5 minutes.



5 Press

### To Set Clock

You can use the oven without setting the clock.

Timer/ Clock

#### 1 Press twice

Colon will blink in Display Window.



#### 2 Enter Time of Day

Enter time of day using **Time/Weight** Dial e.g. 12:35 Clock is a 12 hour display. There isn't a.m. or p.m. setting.



Time appears in the Display Window, colon is blinking. Verify time of day in the Display Window.

#### Note:

Turning the dial slowly will count up in 1 minute steps. Turning the dial quickly will count up in 10 minutes steps.

Timer/ Clock

#### 3 Press

Colon stops blinking; time of day is entered and locked into Display Window.

12:35

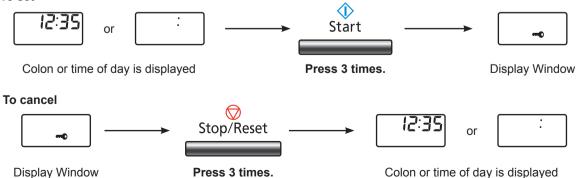
**NOTES:** 1. Oven will not operate while colon is still blinking.

- 2. To reset time of day, repeat step 1 through 3.
- 3. The clock will keep the time of day as long as oven is plugged in and electricity is supplied.
- 4. Maximum time available is 12:59. Clock is 12 hour only. One o'clock will be displayed as 1:00 not 13:00.

### To Use Child Safety Lock

This feature allows you to prevent operation of the oven by a young child; however, the door will open. You can set Child Safety Lock when colon or time of day is displayed.





NOTE: To set or cancel child safety lock, Start pad or Stop/Reset pad must be pressed 3 times within 10 seconds.

### To Cook/Reheat/Defrost by Micro Power and Time

#### Select Power Level

Press Micro Power pad until your desired power level appears in the Display Window. (see chart below)



**Note:** When selecting P10 on the first stage, you can start from step 2.

Micro Power

#### 2 Set Cooking Time

Select the cooking time by using the Time/Weight Dial. (P10: up to 30 minutes, other powers: up to 90 minutes for a single stage)





#### Press

Cooking will start.

The time in the Display Window will count down.

#### For more than one stage cooking,

Repeat steps 1 & 2 above then press **Start** pad. The maximum number of stages for cooking is 3. The oven will beep twice between stages. (For further information, refer to page 22)

#### Micro Power:

The Micro Power Pad gives you a selection of different power levels representing decreasing amounts of microwave energy, used for cooking foods at different speeds.

e.q.The lower the micro power setting, the more evenly the food cooks, although it will take a little longer. To select the correct power level for cooking different foods, refer to the chart below.

Press	POWER LEVEL	WATTAGE	DISPLAY	EXAMPLE OF USE
1x	P10	1000 W	P10	Boil water. Cook vegetables, rice, pasta and noodles. Reheating.
2x	P9	900 W	<b>₽</b> 9	Cook fresh fruits.
3x	P8	800 W	P8	Cook cakes, desserts. Heat milk.
4x	P7	700 W	P7	Cook pork, whole chicken and chicken pieces.
5x	P6	600 W	P8 <b>*</b> ®	Cook beef, lamb and eggs. Melt butter.
6x	P5	500 W	₽5 <b>*</b> ®	Cook meatloaves. Melt chocolate.
7x	P4	400 W	₽4 <b>≣</b> ®	Cook fish and seafood.
8x	P3	300 W	₽3	Thaw foods. Cook christmas pudding, corned beef,dried beans and peas.
9x	P2	200 W	P 2 =®	Simmer soups, stews and casseroles (less tender cuts).
10x	P1	100 W	P   -®	Keep cooked foods warm, simmer slowly.

#### NOTE:

After using the oven, the fan may rotate to cool the electric components and "COOL" appears in the display window. If you cook using microwave, "COOL" will appear after micro cooking over 3 minutes. This is perfectly normal, and you can take out the food from the oven while the fan operates.

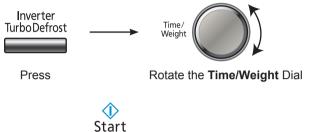
### To Defrost

### To Defrost using Inverter Turbo Defrost

This feature allows you to defrost meat, poultry and seafood automatically by just setting the weight of the food.

#### 1 Set Weight

The shape and size of the food will determine the maximum weight the oven can accommodate. The recommended maximum weight of food depends on the oven cavity size. Weight must be programmed in kilograms and tenths of a kilogram (0.1 kg  $\sim$  3.0 kg). For best results, the minimun recommended weight is 0.2 kg.



### 2 Press

Defrost time appears in the Display Window and begins to count down.

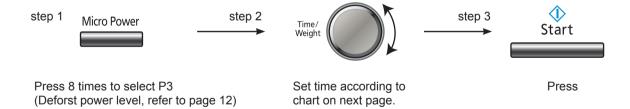
#### NOTE

The oven will beep once or twice during the total defrosting time. This indicates that food should be turned, broken apart or removed. After attending to food, close door and press **Start** Pad to resume defrosting.

For further information, refer to next page.

### To Defrost by Micro Power and Time Setting

This feature allows you to defrost meat, poultry and seafood by P3 Power and time.



### **Defrosting Tips and Techniques**

#### Preparation for Freezing:

- 1. Heavy-duty plastic wraps, bags and freezer wrap are suitable.
- 2. Freeze meats, poultry and fish in packages with only 1 or 2 layers of food. To aid in separating layers, place two pieces of wax paper between them.
- 3. REMOVE ALL AIR and seal securely.
- 4. LABEL package with type and cut of meat, date and weight.
- 5. Defrosting times given in the charts are for thoroughly frozen foods (i.e. at least 24 hours in freezer maintained at -18 °C or lower).

#### **Defrosting Technique:**

- 1. Remove from wrapper and set on a defrosting rack in a dish on Glass Tray.
- 2. On Turbo Defrost, the oven will beep during the defrosting time. At "beep", turn over all meat, poultry, fish and shellfish. Break apart stewing meat, chicken pieces and minced meat. Separate chops and hamburger patties. Shield thin ends of roasts, poultry legs and wings, fat or bones with foil.
- 3. Throughout the defrosting time, remove any defrosted portions of mince or cubed meat, etc.
- 4. After defrosting, large roasts may still be icy in the centre. Let stand, 15 to 30 minutes, in refrigerator to complete defrosting.

#### **Defrosting Chart (by setting Micro Power at P3):**

FOOD	APPROX. TIME (minutes per 500 g)	INSTRUCTION
MEAT  Beef  Minced Beef  Roast: Topside  Beef Tenderloin  Chuck or Rump  Sirloin, rolled  Steak  Miscellaneous  Pork/Lamb  Roast  Chops  Ribs	7 - 9 8 - 10 8 - 10 8 - 10 8 - 10 6 - 8 7 - 9 8 - 10 6 - 8 6 - 8	Halfway through the defrost cycle, break apart minced beef, separate chops and remove meat that is defrosted.  Turn meat over two to three times during defrosting.  Shield edges and unevenly shaped ends of roasts halfway through the defrost cycle.  Large roasts may still be icy in centre. Let stand.
POULTRY Chicken whole pieces fillets Duck Turkey	8 - 10 7 - 9 7 - 9 7 - 9 8 - 10	Turn poultry over two to four times during defrosting. Halfway through the defrost cycle, shield end of drumsticks, wings, breast bones and ends of poultry with foil.  Break apart chicken pieces and remove small pieces such as wings, which may be defrosted before larger pieces.  Rinse poultry under cold water to remove ice crystals. Let stand 5 to 10 minutes, before cooking.
FISH & SHELLFISH Fish Fillets Whole Fish Crabmeat Lobster Tails Sea Scallops Green Prawns	8 - 10 7 - 9 6 - 8 6 - 8 6 - 8 6 - 8	Halfway through the defrost cycle, turn whole fish or blocks of fillets over. Also, break apart prawns or scallops. Remove any pieces that are defrosted.  Let stand, 5 to 10 minutes, before cooking.

### To Cook by Grill and Time

There are three grill setting modes. (1-High, 2-Medium, 3-Low)

#### **Directions for Grill Cooking:**

There are three power levels for grill. When grilling, heat is radiated from the two heater. The oven door must be kept closed to prevent cooking odours from spreading in the kitchen and so as not to waste energy. The grill is especially suitable for thin slices of meat and seafood as well as bread and meals. Preheating isn't required before grilling. Select Grill setting, set the time and start the oven. The food being grilled should normally be turned over after half the grilling time. When the oven door is opened, the program is interrupted. Turn the food over, place it back the oven, close the door and restart oven. While grilling, the oven door can be opened at any time to check the food.

#### 1 Select Grill Setting



Press Grill Pad until the desired level appears in the Display Window. (see below chart)

Press	Display	Type of Food
1x	50%	Meat, Poultry pieces
2x	50%	Seafood
3x	3 ■	Garlic Bread, Toast

#### 2 Set Cooking Time



Set the desired cooking time by using **Time/Weight** Dial. (max. 90 minutes)



#### 3 Press

Cooking will start.

The time in the Display Window will count down.

### To Cook by Combination and Time

There are three Combination setting modes. There is no need to set the Micro Power level and Grill Level.

#### **Directions for Combinations Cooking:**

The combination means that it is possible to combine the microwave and grill function for thawing, cooking, and heating foods. It's a good way for roasting foods by combining microwave and grill effectively. It's suitable for roasting poultry, meat and seafood. This function can ensure the foods cook evenly and retain their crispness as well as browning of certain foods. Please turn over the foods when half of the cooking time has elapsed, then continue cooking.

#### 1 Select Combination Setting



Press Combination Pad until the desired level appears in the Display Window. (see below chart)

Press	Display	Type of Food
1x	50%	Whole poultry
2x	50%	Beef, Lamb
3x	3	Sea food, Puddings

#### 2 Set Cooking Time



Set the desired cooking time by using **Time/Weight** Dial. (max. 90 minutes)



#### 3 Press i

Cooking will start.

The time in the Display Window will count down.

### To Cook Using Sensor Cook

Sensor Cook allows you to cook foods without selecting times and power levels. The sensor detects the heat and humidity generated by the food and cooks your food automatically.

Place food into an appropriate sized dish for the volume of food you are cooking. Cover securely with plastic wrap or a securely fitting lid (do not use any snap closing lids). Plastic dishes are not suitable as a secure seal cannot be achieved and inaccurate cooking may result.

Sensor Cook

#### 1 Press

#### and select desired menu number

Press the **Sensor Cook** Pad and turn the **Sensor Menu** Dail until the desired menu number appear in the display window. (see the chart on next page)



#### Note:

For information on individual categories refer to each chapter in the cookbook section.

More/ Less

#### More/Less Pad



Preferences for food doneness varies with each individual. After having used Sensor Cook a few times, you may decide you prefer your food cooked to a different doneness. By using the **More/Less** Pad, the Auto Sensor programmes can be adjusted to cook food for a longer or shorter time. Press **More/Less** Pad before pressing **Start** Pad.

1 tap: More cooking with indication "+" 2 taps: Less cooking with indication "-" 3 taps: Returns to average cooking result.

If you are satisfied with the result of the SENSOR COOK programme, you don't have to use this pad.



#### 2 Press

The menu number you have selected remains in the display window. Do not stop the oven or open the door during this part of the cooking stage as inaccurate cooking may result. After the heat humidity is detected by the SENSOR, the remaining time appears in the Display Window and begins to count down.

#### For best results, follow these recommendations:

- 1. The door should not be opened before the time appears in the Display Window.
- 2. Do not use plastic dishes as a secure seal cannot be achieved and inaccurate cooking may occur.

### To Cook Using Sensor Reheat



#### For best results on Sensor Reheat, follow these recommendations:

- 1. Food being reheated should weigh between 125 g and 1.0 kg. For foods weighing less than 125 g and more than 1.0 kg, use a manual micro power setting.
- 2. All foods must be previously cooked and at room or refrigerator temperature or frozen at -18°C for at least 24 hours.
- 3. Foods should always be covered loosely, but completely, with plastic wrap. (Do not use any snap closing lids.)
- 4. All foods should have a covered stand time of at least 3 to 5 minutes.
- 5. **Do not** reheat bread or pastry products (raw or uncooked), or beverages.
- 6. **Do not** use if oven cavity is warm (from previously cooked foods).

# Consult the following Recipe Chapters for Sensor Cooking Instructions for Each Category on your oven.

Menu	Recommended Weight
Sensor Reheat	125 g - 1.0 kg
1 Vegetables	125 g - 500 g
2 Frozen Veg.	125 g - 1.0 kg
3 Potatoes	125 g - 1.0 kg
4 Legumes	1 cup - 4 cups
5 Fresh Pasta	125 g - 625 g
6 Dried Pasta	125 g - 500 g
7 Noodles	150 g - 800 g
8 Rice	1 cup - 2 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> cups
9 Risotto	<sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> cup - 3 cups
10 Fish	125 g - 500 g
11 Curries	250 g - 750 g
12 Chicken Pcs.	400 g - 1.0 kg
13 Desserts	375 g - 1.5 kg

### To Cook Using Auto Combi

This feature allows you to cook or reheat most of your favourite foods by setting the weight only. The oven determines the Microwave power level and/or Combination setting, then the cooking time automatically. Select the category of food and then just enter the weight. Do not include the weight of any added water or the container weight.

#### 1 Select Desired Menu number



Press the **Auto Combi** Pad until the desired menu number appears in the display Window. (see below chart)

#### 2 Select Desired Weight



Select the desired weight by turning the **Time/Weight** Dial until the desired food Weight appears in the Display Window. (see below chart)

menu number	menu		Weight				
14	Roast Chicken	<b>250</b> g	500 g	750 g	1000 g	1500 g	2000 g
15	Roast Beef/Lamb	<b>250</b> g	500 g	1000 g	1500 g	2000 g	2500 g
16	BBQ meat piecs	150 g	200 g	<b>250</b> g	300 g	400 g	500 g
17	Reheat Fried Food	100 g	200 g	300 g	400 g	500 g	600 g
18	Frozen Pizza	200 g	<b>250</b> g	300 g	350 g	400 g	500 g

#### Note:

For information on individual categories refer to each chapter in the cookbook section.



#### 3 Press

Cooking time appears in the Display Window and begins to count down.

#### For best results, follow these recommendations:

- 1. If the temperature of the cavity is high, auto combi feature can not be used.
- When you select an auto combi, symbols will appear in the display to show the cooking mode that will be used and the accessories that are needed.

### To Use Inverter Melt&Soften

This feature allows you to melt/soften food at the touch of a button. There is no need to select the power level or cooking time as the microwave does this for you.

#### 1 Select Desired Menu number



Press the **Inverter Melt&Soften** Pad until the desired menu number appears in the display Window. (see below chart)

#### 2 Select Desired Weight



Select the desired weight by turning the Time/Weight Dial until the desired food Weight appears in the Display Window. (see below chart)

menu number	menu	Weight					
19	Melt Butter	<b>50</b> g	100 g	150 g	<b>200</b> g	<b>250</b> g	300 g
20	Soften Cream Cheese	<b>50</b> g	100 g	150 g	<b>200</b> g	<b>250</b> g	300 g
21	Soften Ice Cream	0.2 L	0.5 L	1.0 L	2.0 L	_	_
22	Melt Chocolate	<b>50</b> g	100 g	150 g	200 g	250 g	300 g

#### For best results, follow these recommendations:

#### 19. Melt Butter

Remove wrapper, cut butter into 2 tbsp cube, and place into a microwave safe dish. Melt with lid or plastic wrap. Stir after cooking.

#### 20. Soften Cream Cheese

Remove wrapper and place in a microwave safe bowl/dish. Soften without cover.

#### 21. Soften Ice Cream

Soften slightly without lid.

#### 22. Melt Chocolate

Remove wrapper and place chocolate into a microwave safe dish. Cook without cover. After heating, stir until completely melted.

Note: Chocolate holds its shape even when softened.

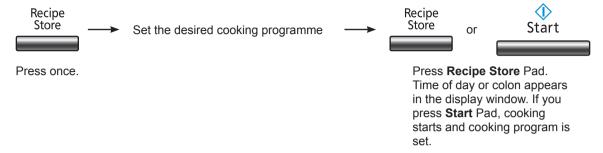
#### Note:

If food needs more time cooking or weight exceeds range, cook using P4 power for melting and P3 power for softening.

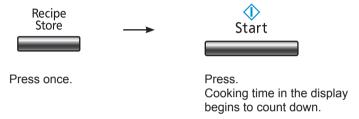
### To Use Recipe Store

This feature allows you to pre-program your oven for regular reheating or cooking tasks. You are able to preprogram your oven for a specific power level and time that is convenient for you. You are able to pre-program one memory task.

#### To Set a Recipe Program:



#### To Start Recipe Store Program:



#### NOTES:

- 1. Auto Control Functions cannot be programmed into Recipe Store.
- 2. Recipe Store can only store 1 stage cooking. It is not possible to store 2 or 3 stage cooking.
- 3. A new recipe program will cancel the recipe program previously stored.
- 4. The recipe program will be cancelled if the oven is unplugged.

### To Use Quick Min Pad

Quick Min

Press **Quick Min** pad until the desired cooking time (up to 10 minutes) appears in the display window. Power Level is pre-set at P10.



2 Press

Press

Cooking begins and the time will count down. At the end of cooking, 5 beeps sound.

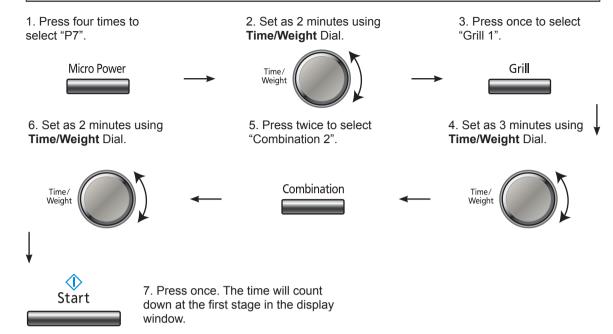
#### Notes:

- 1. This feature allows you to set in 1 minute increments up to 10 minutes.
- 2. If desired, you can use other power levels. Select desired power level before setting cooking time.
- 3. After setting the time by Quick Min pad, you can not use Time/Weight Dial.

### 3-Stages Setting

This feature allows you to program 3 Stages of cooking continuously.

E.g.: Continually set [P7] 2 minutes, [Grill 1] 3 minutes and [Combination 2] 2 minutes.



#### NOTES:

- 1. When operating, two beeps will sound between each stage.
- 2. This feature cannot be used in combination with auto features.

### **INGREDIENT CONVERSION CHART**

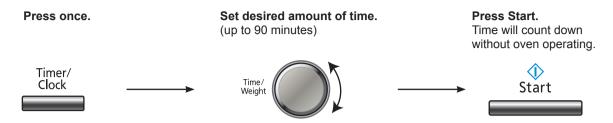
	INGREDIENT	CONVERSION CHART		
½ cup	60 ml	1/4 teaspoon	1 ml	
⅓ cup	85 ml	½ teaspoon	2 ml	
½ cup	125 ml	1 teaspoon	5 ml	
<sup>2</sup> ⁄₃ cup	165 ml	2 teaspoons	10 ml	
3/4 cup	190 ml	3 teaspoons	15 ml	
1 cup	250 ml	1 tablespoon	20 ml	
1¼ cups	310 ml	1½ tbs	30 ml	
1½ cups	375 ml	2 tbs	40 ml	
2 cups	500 ml	3 tbs	60 ml	
3 cup	750 ml	4 tablespoons	80 ml	
3½ cups	875 ml			
4 cups	1 litre			
6 cups	1.5 litre			
8 cups	2 litre			

All recipes are tested using standard measurement that appear in the above chart.

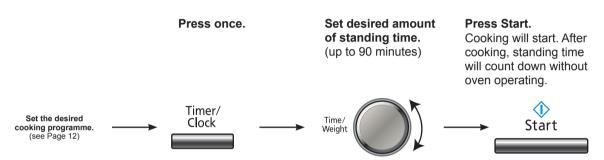
### To Use Timer

This feature allows you to program standing after cooking is completed and to program the oven as a minute or 10 seconds timer or program delay start.

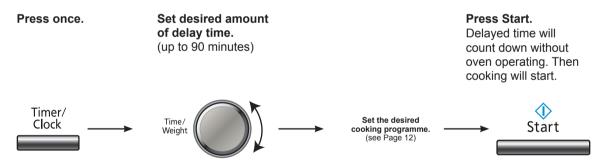
#### To Use as a Kitchen Timer



#### To Set Standing Time



#### To Set Delay Start

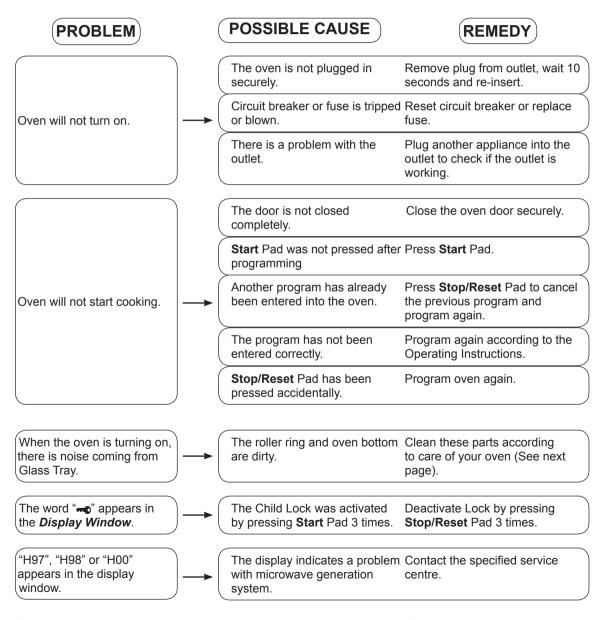


#### NOTES:

- 1. If oven door is opened during the Standing Time, Delay Start or Kitchen Timer, the time in the Display Window will continue to count down.
- Delay Start/Standing Time cannot be programmed before/after any Auto Control function. This is to
  prevent the standing temperature of the food from rising before defrosting or cooking begins. A change in
  the starting temperature could cause inaccurate results and/or food may deteriorate.
- 3. When using Standing time or Delay Start, it's up to 2 Power stages.

### **Before Requesting Service**

T	IESE THINGS ARE NORMAL
The oven causes interference with my TV.	Some radio and TV interference might occur when you cook with the microwave oven. This interference is similar to the interference caused by small appliances such as mixers, vacuums, hair dryers, etc. It does not indicate a problem with your oven.
Steam accumulates on the oven door and warm air comes from the oven vents.	During cooking, steam and warm air are given off from the food. Most of the steam and warm air are removed from the oven by the air which circulates in the oven cavity. However, some steam will condense on cooler surfaces such as the oven door. This is normal.
I accidentally ran my microwave oven without any food in it.	Running the oven empty for a short time will not damage the oven. However, we do not recommend this.



If it seems there is a problem with the oven, contact an authorized Service Centre.

### Care of your Microwave Oven

#### **BEFORE CLEANING:**

Unplug at socket of the oven. If impossible, leave oven door open to prevent oven from accidentally turning on.

#### Inside of the oven:

Wipe with a damp cloth. Mild detergent may be used if the oven gets very dirty. The use of harsh detergent or abrasives is not recommended.

#### Glass Tray:

Remove and wash in warm soapy water or in a dishwasher. If grease accumulates, clean with a nonabrasive nylon mesh scouring pad and a non-abrasive cleanser.

#### AFTER CLEANING:

Be sure to replace the Roller Ring and Glass Tray in the proper position and press Stop/Reset Pad to clear the Display Window.

#### Outside oven surfaces and back vents.

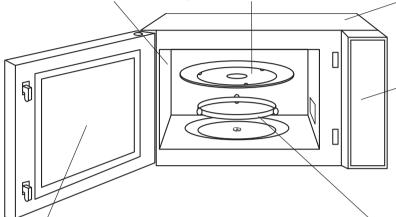
Clean with a damp cloth. To prevent damage to the operating parts inside the oven, water should not be allowed to seep into ventilation openings.

#### **Control Panel:**

· May be covered with removable protective film to prevent scratches during shipping. Small bubbles may appear under this film. When this happens, remove film carefully.

(Hint - apply masking or clear tape to an exposed corner and pull gently to remove.)

 If it becomes wet, clean with a soft, dry cloth. Do not use harsh detergents or abrasives on the Control Panel.



#### Oven Door:

Wipe with a soft cloth when steam accumulates inside Wipe the bottom surface of the oven with mild or around the outside of the oven door. This may occur when the microwave oven is operated under high humidity conditions and in no way indicates a malfunction of the unit or of microwave leakage.

#### Roller Ring and oven cavity floor:

detergent water or window cleaner and dry. Roller Ring may be washed in mild soapy water or dishwasher. These areas should be kept clean to avoid excessive noise.

Do not use harsh abrasive cleaners or sharp metal scrapers to clean the oven door glass since they can scratch the surface, which may result in shattering of the glass. A steam cleaner is not to be used.

### **Technical Specifications**

Power Supply:		230 - 240 V, 50 Hz
Power Consumption*:	Microwave	4.5 A 1050 W
	Heater	4.9 A 1160 W
	Combination	8.2 A 1950 W
Power Requirement: (N	/laximum)	8.3 A 1960 W
Output*:	Microwave	1000 W
	Heater	1100 W
Outside Dimensions (V	√ x H x D):	525 mm (W) x 310 mm (H) x 414 mm (D)
Oven Cavity Dimension	ns (W x H x D):	359 mm (W) x 247 mm (H) x 362 mm (D)
Overall Cavity Volume:		31 L
Glass Tray Diameter:		Ø340 mm
Operating Frequency:		2450 MHz
Uncrated Weight:		Approx. 13.2 kg

#### Trim Kit

Model Number	NN-TK612GSQP
Outside Dimensions (W x H):	596 mm (W) x 410 mm (H)
Cabinet Opening (W x H x D):	562 mm (W) x 395 mm (H) x 480 mm (D)

\* IEC Test Procedure

Specifications subject to change without notice.

As for the voltage requirement, the production month, country and serial number, please refer to the identification plate on the microwave oven. -25-

### **Panasonic Warranty**

#### Home Appliance 12 Month Warranty from Date of Purchase

- 1. Subject to the conditions of this warranty Panasonic or it's Authorised Service Centre will perform necessary service on the product without charge for parts or labour, if in the opinion of Panasonic, the product is found to be faulty within the warranty period. For Line Communications products (i.e. Cordless Phones, etc) the genuine battery(s) has a 3 month warranty.
- 2. This warranty only applies to Panasonic products purchased in Australia and sold by Panasonic Australia or its Authorised Distributors or Dealers and only where the products are used and serviced within Australia or it's territories. Warranty cover only applies to service carried out by a Panasonic Authorised Service Centre and only if valid proof of purchase is presented when warranty service is requested.
- 3. This warranty only applies if the product has been installed and used in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations (as noted in the operating instructions) under normal use and reasonable care (in the opinion of Panasonic). The warranty covers normal domestic use only (also Clip & Trim Professional use) and does not cover damage, malfunction or failure resulting from use of incorrect voltages, incorrect installation, accident, misuse, neglect, build-up of dirt or dust, abuse, maladjustment of customer controls, mains supply problems, thunderstorm activity, infestation by insects or vermin, tampering or repair by unauthorised persons (including unauthorised alterations), exposure to abnormally corrosive conditions or any foreign object or matter having entered the product.
- 4. This warranty does not cover the following items unless the fault or defect existed at the time of purchase:
  - (a) Cabinet Parts
    - User replaceable Batteries
       from wear and tear in normal use
- (b) Microwave Oven cook plates.(d) Kneader mounting shaft unit and
  - Heads, Cutters, Foils, Blades and other accessories.
- (e) Noise or vibration that is considered normal
- 5. To claim warranty service, when required, you should:
  - Telephone Panasonic's Customer Care Centre on 132600 or visit our website referred to below and use the Service Centre Locator for the name/address of the nearest Authorised Service Centre.
  - Send or take the product to a Panasonic Authorised Service Centre together with your proof of purchase receipt as a proof of purchase date. Please note that freight and insurance to and / or from your nearest Authorised Service Centre must be arranged by you.
- 6. The warranties hereby conferred do not extend to, and exclude, any costs associated with the installation, de-installation or re-installation of a product, including costs related to the mounting, de-mounting or remounting of any screen, (and any other ancillary activities), delivery, handling, freighting, transportation or insurance of the product or any part thereof or replacement of and do not extend to, and exclude, any damage or loss occurring by reason of, during, associated with, or related to such installation, de-installation, re-installation or transit.

Panasonic Authorised Service Centres are located in major metropolitan areas and most regional centres of Australia, however, coverage will vary dependant on product. For advice on exact Authorised Service Centre locations for your product, please telephone our Customer Care Centre on 132600 or visit our website and use the Service Centre Locator.

In addition to your rights under this warranty, Panasonic products come with consumer guarantees that cannot be excluded under the Australian Consumer Law. If there is a major failure with the product, you can reject the product and elect to have a refund or to have the product replaced or if you wish you may elect to keep the goods and be compensated for the drop in value of the goods. You are also entitled to have the product repaired or replaced if the product fails to be of acceptable quality and the failure does not amount to a major failure.

If there is a major failure in regard to the product which cannot be remedied then you must notify us within a reasonable period by contacting the Panasonic Customer Care Centre. If the failure in the product is not a major failure then Panasonic may choose to repair or replace the product and will do so in a reasonable period of time from receiving notice from you.

### THIS WARRANTY CARD AND THE PURCHASE DOCKET (OR SIMILAR PROOF OF PURCHASE) SHOULD BE RETAINED BY THE CUSTOMER AT ALL TIMES

If you require assistance regarding warranty conditions or any other enquiries, please visit the **Panasonic Australia** website **www.panasonic.com.au** or contact by phone on **132 600**If phoning in, please ensure you have your operating instructions available.

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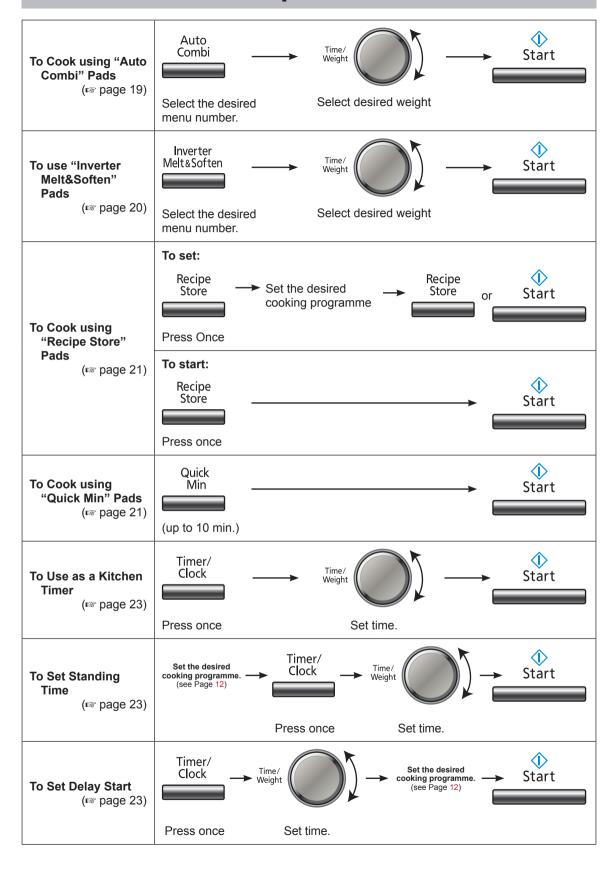
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## **Quick Guide to Operation**

Feature	How to Operate		
To Set Clock (IST page 11)	Timer/Clock — Time/Weight — Timer/Clock		
	Press Twice Set time of day. (Max 12:59) Press once		
To Set/Cancel Child Safety Lock (IST page 11)	To set  To cancel  Start  Stop/Reset  Press 3 times.  Display  Press 3 times.  Display		
To Cook/Reheat/ Defrost by Micro Power and Time Setting (** page 12)	Micro Power  Weight  Select power.  Select cooking time.		
To Cook by Grill and Time Setting (rest page 15)	Grill  Time/ Weight  Select power.  Select cooking time.		
To Cook by Combination and Time Setting (** page 16)	Combination  Time/ Weight  Select power.  Select cooking time.		
To Use Inverter Turbo Defrost Pad (** page 13)	Inverter TurboDefrost Start  Press once Select desired weight		
To Cook using "Sensor Cook" Pads (INTERPRETATION PAGE 17)	Sensor Cook  Sensor Henu  Sensor Less  Start  Press once Turn dail until desired menu number appears.		
To Cook using "Sensor Reheat" Pads (For page 18)	Sensor Reheat  Nore/ Less  Start  Press once.  Optional		

### **Quick Guide to Operation**



Microwaves penetrate the surface of the food to a depth of about two to three centimetres and then the heat is gradually conducted in a random pattern. Some parts of food matter cook faster than others. Special microwave techniques are used to promote

fast and even cooking. Some of these techniques are similar to those used in conventional cooking, but because microwaves produce heat very quickly the following techniques are extremely important. It's a must for you to be familiar with the following tips.

#### **Food Characteristics**

#### Size and Quantity

Small portions cook faster than large portions. As you increase the quantity of food you put into the microwave oven, you must also increase your cooking time. The microwave oven has the same power regardless of quantity; thus the power is divided between more items and so it takes longer to cook. As a general guide, if you double the quantity of food suggested in the recipe, add half the time suggested again.

#### **Liquid Content**

Low moisture foods take a shorter time to cook than foods with a lot of moisture.

#### Shape

Uniform sizes cook more evenly. To compensate for irregular shapes, place thin pieces towards the centre of the dish and thicker pieces towards the outer edge of the dish.

#### **Bone and Fat**

Bones conduct heat and cause the meat next to them to be heated more quickly. Large amounts of fat absorb microwave energy and the meat next to these areas may overcook.

#### Starting Temperature

Food which has been sitting at room temperature takes less time to cook than refrigerated or frozen food.

#### **Density and Composition**

Porous, airy foods (cakes and breads) take less time to cook than heavy compacted foods (meat and vegetables). Recipes high in fat and sugar content cook more quickly.

#### **Key to Symbols Used in Recipes**

G Grill
Combination
A Auto Menu
S Sensor Cook
No symbol Microwave only

#### **Techniques for Preparation**

#### **Timing**

A range of cooking times is given in each recipe for two reasons. First, to allow for the uncontrollable differences in food shapes, starting temperatures and personal preferences. Secondly, these allow for the differences in electrical voltage input which changes during peak load periods. Always remember that it is easier to add time to undercooked food. Once the food is overcooked, nothing can be done. For each recipe, an approximate cooking time is given.

#### Stirring

Stirring is often necessary during microwave cooking. We have noted when stirring is helpful in the recipes. Always bring the outside edges towards the centre and the centre portions to the outside.

#### **Rearranging or Turning**

Some foods should be turned in the container during cooking. For example, because of the different thicknesses in the breast and back sections of poultry, it is a good idea to turn poultry over once to ensure more even cooking.

Rearranging or turning over uneven shaped food in the dish should be done as suggested to ensure a satisfactory result. Rearrange small items such as chicken pieces, prawns, hamburger patties, steak or chops. Rearrange pieces from the centre to the edge of the dish.

#### **Cooking in Layers**

This microwave oven is not designed to cook more than 1 layer of food. Cooking in 2 layers may not always be successful, it takes longer and may be uneven. You can successfully reheat two dinner plates of food at one time but remember to increase the reheating time and use a microwave warming rack.

#### Piercing of Foods

Pierce the skin or membrane of foods when cooked whole in the microwave oven. This allows steam to escape. If the skin has not been pierced, food may burst.

#### **Cured Meats**

Cured meats may overcook in some areas due to the high concentration of salts used in the curing process. So take care when cooking different brands of bacon as cooking times may vary slightly.

#### **Techniques for Preparation**

#### Covering

Covering food minimizes the microwave cooking time. Because microwave cooking is done with time and not direct heat, the rate of evaporation cannot be easily controlled. However, this can be corrected by using different materials to cover dishes. Plastic wrap is the best substitute for a lid as it creates a tighter seal and so it retains more heat and steam. Wax paper and paper towels hold the heat in but not the steam. These materials also prevent splattering. Use a paper towel, wax paper or no cover when steam is not needed for tenderising.

#### **Browning**

Meats and poultry, when cooked longer than 10 to 15 minutes, will brown from their own fat. Foods cooked for shorter periods of time can be aided with the help of a browning sauce, worcestershire sauce or soy sauce. Simply brush one of these sauces over meat or poultry before cooking. Baked goods do not need long cooking time and therefore, do not brown. When cakes or cupcakes are iced, no one will notice the visual difference. For cakes or cupcakes, brown sugar can be used in the recipe in place of caster sugar or the surface can be sprinkled with dark spices before baking.

#### Standing Time

The moisture molecules continue to vibrate in the food when the microwave oven has turned itself off. After all, the molecules were vibrating at 2,450,000,000 times per second during cooking. So cooking continues even after the food is no longer being exposed to the microwaves whether in or outside your microwave oven.

Standing time refers to the time it takes (after the microwave time is completed) to allow the interior of the food to finish cooking.

The amount of standing time varies with the size and density of the food. In meat cookery, the internal temperature will rise between 5 °C and 10 °C if allowed to stand covered for ten to fifteen minutes. Casseroles and vegetables need shorter standing time, but this time is necessary to allow foods to complete cooking in the centre without overcooking on the edges.

The power level used in microwave cooking also determines the standing time. For example, when using a lower power level the standing time is shorter because of a lower concentration of heat in the food. Foods should always be kept covered while standing in order to retain the heat. If a longer standing time is required (while you cook another food to serve with the first, for instance), cover with aluminum foil.

### Converting Your Favourite Conventional Recipes for Microwave Cooking

When adapting conventional recipes for microwave cooking, time are reduced considerably. For example, a chicken which takes 1 hour to cook in a moderate oven will take 15 to 20 minutes on P7 Power in your microwave oven.

Use similar microwave recipes to help you adapt conventional recipes. Remember, it is always best to undercook a recipe and then add an extra minute or two to finish it off.

Here are some other tips that may help:

- Reduce liquids in a conventional recipe by one half to two thirds, e.g. 1 cup (250 ml) should be reduced to ½ cup (125 ml).
- Add more thickening such as flour or cornflour to sauces and gravies if you do not reduce the liquid.
- Reduce seasonings slightly in a recipe where ingredients do not have time to simmer by microwave.
- Do not salt meats, poultry or vegetables before cooking; otherwise, they will toughen and dry out.
- If one ingredient takes longer to cook than the others, pre-cook it in the microwave oven first.
   Onion, celery and potato are examples.
- When cooking meat or vegetables, omit any oil or fat that would have been used in a conventional recipe for browning.
- Reduce leavening agents for cakes by one quarter and increase liquids by one quarter.
- Biscuits require a stiff dough. Increase flour by about 20 percent. Substitute brown sugar for white sugar and use biscuit recipes that have dark spices or require icing. Because of the short cooking time, biscuits don't have time to brown. Chill dough for half an hour before baking. This produces a crisper biscuit. Bake biscuits on a glass tray lined with greaseproof paper.
- Since microwaves penetrate foods about two centimetres from the top, bottom and sides, mixtures in round shapes and rings cook more evenly. Corners receive more energy and may overcook.
- Items with a lot of water, such as rice and pasta, cook in about the same time as they would on a conventional stove. (Refer to Rice and Pasta chapter.)

Select recipes that convert easily to microwave cooking such as casseroles, stews, baked chicken, fish and vegetable dishes. The results from foods such as grilled meats, cooked souffles or two-crust pies could be less than satisfactory. Never attempt to deep fry in your microwave oven.

#### Menu Planning for Microwave Cooking

#### How to Keep Everything Hot at The Same Time

Plan your meals so that the food will not all need last minute cooking or attention at the same time. The special features of microwave cookery make it easy to serve meals with everything piping hot. Cooking of some foods may be interrupted while you start others, without harming the nutritional value or flavour of either.

A recipe which requires standing time can be microwaved first and another food cooked while it stands. Dishes prepared in advance can be reheated briefly before serving.

It does take some experience and time to cook with confidence. Microwaves are fast so you will have to do some experimenting. You might find you will use your conventional range in conjunction with your microwave oven. For example, while cooking the roast in the microwave oven, you can be cooking the vegetables and gravy on the range top. This can also be done the other way around. Prepare your meals as follows.

- Firstly, cook the most dense item (roast or casserole). Drain and retain meat juice from joints then cover with foil.
- Cook the potatoes, rice or pasta.
- 3. Cover with foil for standing.
- 4. Cook greens and other vegetables.
- Cover with foil for standing.
- Cook the gravy with the retained meat juices, stock and thickening.
- Carve the roast and serve the vegetables and gravy.

While you are learning to plan meals, you may get a bit behind time. Don't worry. Dinner servings may be suitably reheated on P7, for 1 to 2 minutes per serving.

If you prefer not to use foil, cover food with saucepan lids. A metal lid will retain the heat for at least 15 minutes.

Meanwhile, how can you cook all the vegetables at the same time? Simply place potatoes and pumpkin in one dish and less dense vegetables such as broccoli, cabbage, cauliflower, beans and peas in another. Sprinkle greens with water. Cover with a lid or plastic wrap. Cook on P10 for cooking times refer to vegetables cooking chart on page 47. Remember, if you increase the quantity of vegetables, increase the cooking time. Fresh and frozen vegetables can be mixed on a vegetable platter, but remember the latter are not as dense as fresh vegetables, as they have been blanched before freezing.

If vegetables are cut to a similar size, they can be cooked in separate ramekins or small dishes at the same time.

#### **Increasing & Decreasing Recipes**

#### **Increasing**

- To increase a recipe from 4 to 6 servings, increase each ingredient listed by half.
- To increase a recipe from 4 to 8 servings, double each ingredient listed.
- For larger quantities of a recipe, a large dish should be used. Make sure that the dish is deep enough to prevent the recipe from boiling over during cooking.
- Make sure to cover, stir or rearrange food as directed in the recipe and always check the food during cooking.
- Increase standing times by 5 minutes per 500 g.
- Use the same Power Level recommended in the original recipe.
- Increase the cooking times by: ½ of original cooking time for 6 servings; and an extra ½ of original cooking time for 8 servings.

#### Decreasing

- To decrease a recipe from 4 to 2 servings, decrease each ingredient listed by half.
- For small quantities, a small dish should be used.
   Make sure that the dish is large enough to prevent the recipe from boiling over during cooking.
- Use the same Power Level recommended in the original recipe.
- Decrease the cooking times by ½ to ¾ of the original cooking time.

#### **Cooking for One**

- To decrease a recipe from 4 to 1 serving, quarter each ingredient listed.
- A smaller dish should be used, making sure that the dish is still large enough to prevent the recipe from boiling over.
- Use the same Power Level recommended in the original recipe.
- Quarter the original cooking times, then add extra time. if needed.
- Make sure to cover, stir or rearrange food as directed in original recipe and always check the food during cooking.

#### **Converting Recipes from Other Sources**

When the recipe is written with a wattage different than your oven, adjust the cooking time by approximately 10% per 100 watts, e.g. 10 minutes would be adjusted by 1 minute. Alternately, adjust the power level by one level. If your wattage is higher than the recipe: (1) Adjust time downward or (2) Adjust power level downward. If your wattage is lower than the recipe:

(1) adjust time upward or (2) adjust power level upward (when possible).

#### **Converting Recipes from Other Sources**

One of the most common uses for a microwave oven is to reheat food. Your Panasonic microwave allows you to either reheat by placing food into the oven and you choose the micro power level and length of heating time or you may reheat automatically by using the SENSOR REHEAT Pad on your microwave. Following are some directions for reheating pre-cooked foods from either frozen refrigerator temperature or room temperature.

### General rules for reheating foods by Micro Power

- Many convenience foods contain heating instructions on the packaging. It is best to follow these instructions, being sure to check the wattage of the oven they used and adjust the cooking time if necessary (decrease cooking time by 10% for every 100 watts more powerful your oven is).
- If package directions are not available, follow the recommendations in the charts on the following pages.
- All foods must be pre-cooked; raw foods will not cook through during reheating times and if consumed may cause illness.
- Do not reheat in foil containers, cans or plastic containers as incorrect heating times will result.
   Place foods into microwave safe bowls or onto dinner-plates before heating.
- Most foods can be heated on P10 but consider if the food is delicate in structure like baked custard or you have a large quantity, a lower power level for slightly longer may be gentler.
- Cover foods with plastic wrap if you require a steamed effect or leave uncovered for a drier surface, e.g. Crumbed foods.

**Note:** when cooking by Sensor Cook all food must be covered.

Stir or re-arrange foods during heating as this
will help food heat evenly. Stir after heating and
let stand for 2 to 3 minutes. Check temperatures
before adding extra heating time and ensure food is
hot. If food is not heated enough, consumption may
cause illness.

#### Caution:

Pastry items which have a filling that is high in fat., sugar or moisture will become hotter in the centre and the pastry may only feel warm. Ensure you allow it to stand for several minutes before eating.

### Reheating by Sensor Cook (125 g - 1.0 kg) S

- Reheating by Sensor is suitable for pre-cooked foods. There is a setting for frozen and refrigerator temperature or room temperature foods. It is suitable for casseroles, plated meals, soup, stews, pasta dishes (except lasagne) and canned foods.
- Do not reheat bread or pastry products, raw uncooked food or beverages on Sensor Reheat.
- Foods greater than 1 kg or smaller than 125 g should be cooked by micro power and time.
- Follow general directions for heating as above.
- Cover foods securely with plastic wrap or a fitted lid, which dones not snap seal.
- During the heating time, the oven will 'beep' and prompt you to stir/rearrange the food. There is no need to recover if not required.
- After heating, stir the food, check it is hot and allow standing for 2 to 3 minutes.

#### To Operate:

Press Sensor Reheat Pad, then Press Start.

### Reheat Fried Food by Auto Combi (100 g - 600 g) A

- Suitable for reheating fried food, such as fried chicken base, fried chicken wings and fried cakes with meat.
- Place fried food on the wire rack, and place this on the Glass Dish.
- Turn over when beep sounds.
- After heating, stir the food, check it is hot and allow standing for 2 to 3 minutes.

#### To Operate:

Press **Auto Combi** Pad four times, turn the **Weight** Dial to select desired weight, then Press **Start**.

### Reheat Frozen Pizza by Auto Combi (200 g - 500 g) A

- Suitable for reheating frozen pizza either purchased or home made.
- Remove pizza from packaging and place on the wire rack, and place this on the Glass Dish.
- After heating, check it is hot and allow standing for 2 to 3 minutes.

#### To Operate:

Press **Auto Combi** Pad five times, turn the **Weight** Dial to select desired weight, then Press **Start**.

### Reheating by Micro Power - Frozen Pre-cooked Foods

FROZEN ITEM (Pre-cooked)	POWER	TIME (in minutes)	SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS
BREAD & BAKED PRODUCT Bread 1 slice 1 loaf	P7 P7	10 - 20 sec 1 - 3	Do not let bread get hot, or it will become rubbery and dry out. Remove whole loaf
6 rolls	P6	1 - 2	from original wrapper. Place on paper towel to absorb moisture.
Cheesecake (450 g)	P3	5 - 7	Remove from container. Defrost on plate.
Muffins - 4 (400 g)	P7	1½ - 2	Place onto paper towel lined plate.
Scones - 6 (400 g)	P6	1½ - 2	Defrost on paper lined plate. Stand 2 minutes.
PIES Fruit Pie (600 g)	P3 then P7	5 - 7 5 - 7	Remove from foil container and place uncovered into a pie dish.
Meat Pie (175 g)	P7	4 - 5	Place onto paper towel lined plate.
Pizza (350 g)	P10	5 - 7	Remove from package and place onto paper towel or follow manufacturer's instructions.
FROZEN MEAL Fish in Sauce (200 g)	P5	5 - 7	Pierce corner of bag. Heat on a plate.
Frozen Casserole (500 g)	P7	6 - 8	Pierce pouch. Heat on a plate or bowl.
Lasagne (500 g)	P9	11 - 13	Remove from foil container, place into serving dish.
Plated style dinner (320 g)	P5	8 - 10	Remove foil cover and replace with plastic wrap.
Vegetables & Sauce (in the bag) (500 g)	P7	6 - 8	Pierce corner of bag. Heat on a plate.
MISCELLANEOUS Chicken Pieces (500 g)	P7	5 - 7	Place onto paper towel lined plate.
Chicken Nuggets (12)	P7	3 - 4	
Croissants - 4 (200 g)	P3	1 - 1½	Place onto paper towel lined plate.
Fish Fingers - 8 (200 g)	P3 then P10	2 - 4 2 - 3	Place onto paper towel lined plate.
Sausage Rolls (225 g)	P5	2 - 3	Place onto paper towel lined plate.

### IMPORTANT POINTS TO CONSIDER WHEN REHEATING COLD FOODS

#### STARTING TEMPERATURE —

Foods taken from the refrigerator will take longer to reheat than foods from room temperature.

#### Quantity —

One serving heats faster than several servings. When heating large quantities, stir food to ensure even heating. It is quicker to heat individual plates of food than large quantities in a casserole dish.

#### Plated Dinners —

Arrange foods with the most dense items towards the outside of the plate. Cover meats with sauces/ gravies if desired, spread out mashed potatoes or rice so it heats more evenly. When assembling plates of leftover foods, use foods which have a similar starting temperature.

#### Covering Foods —

Most foods need to be covered with one sheet of absorbent paper towel to hold in the heat and prevent splattering without steaming. When more moisture is desired, cover with plastic wrap.

#### Heating —

Reheating is usually done on P10, however, if food has a more delicate texture, like a baked custard, a lower power setting should be used. P7 for a little longer will be gentler on the food. An average plate of food would generally take 1 to 3 minutes to heat depending on the density of the food. Place it in for the minimum time and add extra heating time if required.

Ensure food is hot by feeling the bottom of the plate in the centre. If the plate is cool, food may be warm but will lose heat quickly as the plate will absorb the heat and taste cold when served.

If food is not heated enough, consumption may cause illness.

#### Elevation —

Elevate pastries and breads on a small plastic rack with paper towel under the food to prevent it from becoming soggy.

#### Caution:

Pastry items which have a filling that is high in fat., sugar or moisture will become hotter in the centre and the pastry may only feel warm. Ensure you allow it to stand for several minutes before eating.

# IMPORTANT POINTS TO CONSIDER WHEN REHEATING FOODS FROM THE FREEZER

#### **VOLUME** —

The greater the volume and the more dense the item, the longer it takes to reheat. E.g. frozen cake will take less time than frozen casserole.

#### LARGE VOLUME —

Large, dense, frozen precooked foods are best thawed on defrost until icy in the centre then heated on P7. This prevents overcooking of the edges. Stirring is often needed to distribute heat evenly.

#### Commercial frozen foods —

These foods should be removed from their foil containers if possible and placed into suitable microwave safe containers. If a foil container is used in the microwave oven it shouldn't be more than 4 cm high and must not touch the interior of the microwave oven. Remove the cover from the tray and replace with paper towel or plastic wrap to prevent splattering.

#### Foods to be served at room temperature —

For best results, defrost for a short time and allow to stand to complete thawing, e.g. frozen cake.

#### Vacuum sealed pouches —

Pierce pouches, bags before heating to allow steam to escape. This prevents bursting.

#### Containers —

Use dishes about the same volume of the food or slightly larger to allow for stirring. Remove or release snap seal lids other wise they will pop during heating and may disfigure.

#### Pies and pastries —

Pies and pastries that contain raw pastry and filling cannot be cooked in the microwave oven. Precooked products can be thawed and heated. Place them on a sheet of paper towel and elevate on plastic rack for best results. For added crispness place under the grill or in a hot oven for few minutes. Pastry items can become tough and rubbery if overheated, remember to allow 5 minutes standing then test before adding extra heating time.

# PUMPKIN SOUP S

Serves: 4 Ingredients:

1 kg pumpkin, chopped and peeled

1 onion, diced 2 cups chicken stock 1 teaspoon curry powder

pepper

#### Method:

Place pumpkin and onion in 2-litre casserole dish. Cover and cook on P10 for 12 minutes. Add chicken stock, curry powder and pepper. Cook on P10 for 10 minutes. Cool slightly. Purée pumpkin and liquid in a blender or food processor. Pour into individual serving dishes and garnish with chives.

# To cook by Sensor Cook:

Prepare pumpkin as above cover with plastic wrap. Refer to **Potatoes** directions on page 57.

# SHORT AND LONG SOUP

Serves: 4
Ingredients:

200 g fresh singapore noodles
12 (200 g) frozen mini dim sims
4 green onions, sliced
1 litre chicken stock
1 teaspoon crushed garlic

½ teaspoon chopped ginger 2 tablespoons soy sauce

chicken breast, cooked and sliced

4 baby bok choy, quartered

1 cup bean sprouts

2 tablespoons dried onion (optional)

#### Method:

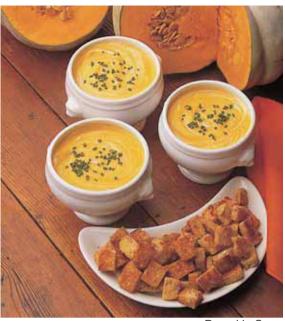
Place all ingredients except bok choy and bean sprouts in a 4 litre casserole dish and cook on P10 for 10 minutes. Add bok choy and cook on P10 for 2 minutes. Serve in individual bowls topped with bean sprouts and onion.

#### HINT:

To cook 1 double chicken breast. Place onto a dinner plate. Cover and cook on P7 for 8 to 10 minutes

## HINT:

To reheat a single portion of soup. Place in a microwave safe dish and cook on P7 for 2 to 3 minutes. Stir and serve.



Pumpkin Soup

# TOMATO BACON SOUP

Serves: 4 to 6 Ingredients:

4 bacon rashers, chopped

1 onion, chopped can tomatoes
2 tablespoons tomato paste chicken stock
1 teaspoon pepper

#### Method:

Place bacon and onion in 4-litre casserole dish. Cook on P10 for 3 minutes. Add remaining ingredients and stir. Cook on P10 for 16 to 18 minutes, stirring once during cooking. Purée in food processor or blender and serve in individual soup bowls.

# POTATO AND LEEK SOUP S

Serves: 4 to 6

Ingredients:

800 g potatoes, peeled and diced

 $1\frac{1}{2}$  cups thinly sliced leeks 2 teaspoons fresh thyme

pepper

2 cups chicken stock

150 ml cream

#### Method:

Place potatoes, leeks, thyme and pepper in 4-litre casserole dish. Cover and cook on P10 for 8 to 10 minutes. Stir in chicken stock. Cover and cook on P10 for 14 to 16 minutes. Purée soup mixture. Add cream, stir and serve hot or cold in individual bowls.

#### To cook by Sensor Cook:

Place potatoes, leeks, thyme and pepper in a 4-litre dish. Cover with plastic wrap. Refer to **Potatoes** directions on page 57.

#### PEA AND HAM SOUP

Serves: 6 Ingredients:

green split peas 2½ cups smoked ham hock 850 g medium onion, chopped 1 tablespoon fresh thyme leaves

bay leaf chicken stock 6 cups ½ cup frozen peas

Method:

Wash split peas and place in a 2-litre bowl with 1-litre of water. Cover and allow soaking for 8 hours or overnight. Remove rind from ham hock and discard. Cut meat away from the bone and roughly chop. Reserve bone. Drain peas and place into a 5-litre microwave safe dish. Add ham bone, chopped ham, onion, thyme, bay leaf and chicken stock. Cook uncovered on P10 for 15 minutes. Reduce power to P6 and cook for 15 minutes. Skim top of soup and cook on P6 for a further 30 minutes. Remove ham bone and bay leaf and stir in frozen peas. Cook on P6 for 10 minutes. Blend half the soup and return to the bowl, stirring through the remaining soup. Serve hot with crusty bread.

Substitute 500 g bacon bones and 250 g of diced bacon rashers for the ham hock.

Do not add salt when cooking lentils or pulses, as they will toughen. Add salt after cooking if desired.

# CHICKEN AND PRAWN LAKSA

Serves: 4 Ingredients: Soup:

2 tablespoons laksa paste 400 ml coconut milk 1 litre chicken stock 1 tablespoon soy sauce fresh ground black pepper

Laksa:

250 g rice noodles 8 cups boiling water

coriander, leaves chopped 1 bunch small red chillies, seeds removed

and finely chopped

½ cup bean sprouts limewedges 1 tablespoon peanut oil

400 g cooked chicken tenderloins, sliced 12 green king prawns, peeled

Method: Soup:

Place the laksa paste, coconut milk, stock, soy sauce and pepper into a 3-litre dish and cook covered on P10 for 8 to 10 minutes.

Laksa:

Place the noodles and water in a 4 litre dish. Cover and cook on P10 for 2 to 3 minutes, stirring halfway through. Drain well and divide between 4 deep bowls. Place the coriander, chillies, bean sprouts and lime on top. Place the peanut oil and prawns in a 1-litre dish and cook on P7 for 3 to 5 minutes, stirring halfway through. Add the chicken and prawns to each individual bowl and set aside.

To serve:

Heat soup on P10 for 2 minutes. Pour the hot soup over the ingredients in the 4 bowls and serve.



Potato and Corn Soup

## POTATO AND CORN SOUP

Serves: 6 to 8 Ingredients:

6 rashers bacon, chopped 1 onion, thinly sliced 500 g potatoes, peeled and diced

4 cups chicken stock 1 (420 g) can creamed corn

2 tablespoons flour, mixed with a little stock ½ teaspoon thyme

salt and pepper

#### Method:

Place bacon in a 4-litre dish. Cook on P10 for 2 to 3 minutes. Remove bacon from dish and set aside. Add onion and potatoes to dish and cook on P10 for 8 to 10 minutes. Add stock and cook on P10 for a further 8 to 10 minutes. Blend flour with 2 tablespoons of stock and add to dish with corn, thyme and bacon. Cook on P10 for 4 to 5 minutes. Stir halfway through cooking. Season with salt and pepper.

# SWEET POTATO AND CORIANDER SOUP

Serves: 4 to 6 Ingredients:

1 teaspoon

onion, diced 1 teaspoon crushed garlic 1 teaspoon crushed chilli

chopped ginger sweet potato, peeled and chopped 1 kg

½ teaspoon cumin 500 ml chicken stock 200 ml coconut milk 1 tablespoon chopped coriander

Method:

Place onion, garlic chilli, ginger, and sweet potato into a 4-litre bowl. Cook covered on P10 for 10-12 minutes, stirring halfway through cooking. Stir in cumin, chicken stock and coconut milk. Cook on P10 for 10-12 minutes, stirring halfway through cooking. Add coriander and stir. Allow to cool slightly then puree in a blender or food processor. Serve topped with extra coriander and chilli.

# GRILLED CHEESE ON TOAST G

Serves: 1 to 2 Ingredients:

slices bread

butter for spreading slices tasty cheese

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#### Method:

Place bread on wire rack set on glass tray and cook one side of bread on Grill 1 for 2 to 3 minutes. Spread untoasted side with butter and top with cheese slices. Cook on Grill 1 for 1 to 3 minutes.

#### SPEEDY NACHOS

Serves: 2 to 4 Ingredients:

1 (310 g) can red kidney beans, drained

1 cup chilli salsa 200 g packet corn chips 1 cup grated cheese

Method:

Mix kidney beans and salsa in a 1-litre dish. Place corn chips in the base of a flat dish. Pour sauce over beans and top with grated cheese. Cook on P10 for

Note: Chilli salsa can be substituted with your favourite tomato relish.

#### NUTS AND BOLTS

Serves: 6 to 8 Ingredients:

80 g butter

2 teaspoons curry powder

2 tablespoons worcestershire sauce

½ teaspoon

1/4 teaspoon garlic powder

100 g packet mixed rice crackers

100 g fried noodles 200 g salted peanuts packet pretzel sticks 125 g

Nutri-Grain ½ cup

# Method:

Place butter, curry, worcestershire sauce, salt and garlic powder in a 3-litre casserole dish. Cook on P10 for 1 to 2 minutes. Add remaining ingredients, mix well and cook on P10 for 4 to 5 minutes. Stir twice during cooking. Allow to cool. Place in a bowl and serve with drinks. Store in an airtight container once cool.

#### HINT:

#### TO MAKE CROUTONS:

Remove crusts from 3 slices of bread and cut into cubes. Place in a pyrex bowl with 1 tablespoon of butter and cook on P10 for 2 to 3 minutes.

# HINT:

#### TO REHEAT A CROISSANT:

Wrap in paper towel and place on a dinner plate, cook on P10 for 20 to 30 seconds.

## NACHOS SUPREME

Serves: 4 to 6 Ingredients:

500 g topside mince

35 g packet taco seasoning mix

 $\frac{1}{3}$  cup tomato paste

Mexican chilli powder 1 teaspoon

310 g red kidney beans, mashed in

liquid

180 g packet corn chips

avocado ½ cup sour cream grated cheese 1/2 cup paprika

#### Method:

Place meat in a 2-litre dish. Cover and cook on P7 for 6 minutes stirring halfway through cooking. Mix with fork, breaking up any large pieces of meat. Add taco mix, tomato paste, chilli powder and kidney beans. Cook on P7 for further 10 minutes, stirring halfway through cooking. Place corn chips in a 3-litre microwave suitable serving dish. Pile meat sauce in the centre. In a small bowl, mash avocado and mix in sour cream. Spoon this mixture over meat sauce and top with grated cheese. Sprinkle with paprika. Heat on P7 for 3 to 4 minutes.

#### STUFFED POTATOES

Serve: 4

Ingredients:

4 (700 g) potatoes, unpeeled

## Method:

Pierce the skin of each potato several times with a fork. Place potatoes evenly around a microwave safe dinner plate. Cook on P10 for 8 to 10 minutes. Set aside to cool slightly. Cut tops off potatoes and reserve. Scoop out potato flesh leaving a 1 cm thick shell. Mash potato flesh and mix with your choice of filling. Pile back into potato shell. Replace top and heat potatoes on P10 for 2 minutes.

#### Filling:

# Corn & bacon

rasher bacon, finely chopped

creamed corn 125 g

 $\frac{1}{4}$  cup grated cheddar cheese 1 green onion, finely sliced

#### Method:

Place bacon onto a microwave safe dinner plate. Cover with paper towel and cook on P10 for 1 minute. Mix with remaining ingredients.

# Tomato pesto

½ cup spreadable cream cheese ½ cup chopped sun-dried tomatoes

2 tablespoons pinenuts, roasted

2 tablespoons grated Parmesan cheese

2 tablespoons chopped basil

## Method:

Mix together all ingredients.

# **Directions for Cooking Fish and Shellfish by Micro Power**

Clean fish before starting the recipe. Arrange fish in a single layer, overlap thin fillet ends to prevent overcooking. Prawns and scallops should be placed in a single layer.

Cover dish with plastic wrap. Cook on the power level and the minimum time recommended in the chart below. Halfway through cooking rearrange or stir prawns, fish fillets or scallops.

# Cooking Fish and Shellfish by Micro Power

FISH OR SHELLFISH	AMOUNT	POWER	APPROX. COOKING TIME (in minutes)
Fish Fillets	<b>500</b> g	P4	8 to 10
Scallops (sea)	500 g	P4	6 to 8
Green Prawns medium size (shelled and cleaned)	<b>500</b> g	P4	7 to 9
Whole Fish (stuffed or unstuffed)	500 g to 600 g	P4	7 to 10

# DIRECTIONS FOR COOKING FISH BY SENSOR COOK (125 g - 500 g) S

- · Suitable for cooking whole fish and fish fillets.
- Select fish suitable for microwave cooking and place in a single layer in a shallow dish, with skinside down.
- Add butter, spices, herbs, or lemon juice to flavour.
- · Overlap thin edges of fillets to prevent overcooking.
- Shield the eye and tail area of whole fish with small amounts of aluminum foil to prevent overcooking.
- During the cooking time, the oven will 'beep' and prompt you to turn over/rearrange.
- Allow large amounts of fish to stand for 3 to 5 minutes after cooking before serving.

#### To Operate:

Cover securely with plastic wrap. Press **Sensor Cook** Pad and turn **Sensor Menu** Dial to select **Fish**, then **Start**.

# GINGERED WHOLE FISH S

Serves: 2

Ingredients:

1 (700 g) whole bream, cleaned

1 tablespoon sweet sherry
½ cup soy sauce
1 teaspoon minced ginger
3 green onions, sliced
1 tablespoon peanut oil

#### Method:

Place fish in a shallow casserole dish. Combine sherry, soy sauce, minced ginger, spring onions and peanut oil in a 1-litre jug. Pour sauce mixture over fish. Cover and cook on P4 for 4 to 5 minutes. Turn over and re-cover. Cook on P4 for 4 to 6 minutes.

#### To cook by Sensor Cook:

Prepare as above. Cover securely with plastic wrap. Refer to **Fish** directions on this page.

# FISH PIE

Serves: 4

## Ingredients:

500 g new potatoes, unpeeled 500 g marinara mix or mixed fish 1/2 onion bay leaf

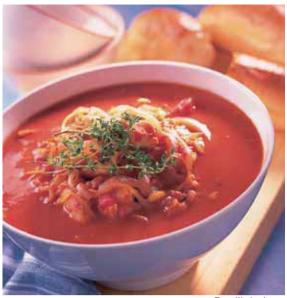
250 ml milk
2 tablespoons butter
2 tablespoons flour
½ cup milk, extra

2 hard-boiled eggs, roughly chopped

2 tablespoons chopped parsley grated cheese 1 teaspoon paprika

#### Method:

Wash potatoes and pierce skins with a fork, place on a paper towel lined plate. Cook on P7 for 8 to 10 minutes. Set aside. In a 3-litre casserole dish combine fish, onion, bay leaf and milk. Cook on P6 for 4 to 6 minutes, stirring halfway through cooking. Strain and reserve milk, discard onion and bay leaf. Place butter in a 1-litre jug and cook on P10 for 30 to 60 seconds, stir in flour and slowly whisk in reserved milk. Cook on P10 for 2 to 3 minutes, stirring halfway through cooking. Stir in extra milk, eggs,parsley and fish cook on P7 for 1 to 2 minutes. Pour into a shallow casserole dish. Slice potatoes and layer over fish mixture. Sprinkle with grated cheese and paprika. Cook on P10 for 4 to 6 minutes.



Bouillabaisse

# **BOUILLABAISSE**

Serves: 4 to 6 Ingredients:

2 tablespoons olive oil onions, sliced 1 large leek, sliced 4 cloves garlic, crushed 425 g can tomato pieces tomato paste ½ cup hot fish stock 4 cups  $\frac{1}{3}$  cup dry white wine 1 tablespoon fresh thyme leaves ½ teaspoon saffron powder 1 teaspoon chilli powder

freshly ground black pepper

salt

500 g firm fish fillets, chopped 500 g green prawn meat, de-veined

#### Method:

Place oil, onions, leek and garlic in a 4 litre dish. Cover and cook on P10 for 6 to 8 minutes. Stir halfway through cooking. Add tomatoes, tomato paste, fish stock, wine, thyme, saffron, and chilli powder. Season with salt and pepper. Cook on P10 for 12 minutes. Add fish fillets and prawns. Cook on P10 for 7 to 8 minutes or until seafood is cooked. Serve garnished with fresh thyme.

#### Noise

When cooking fish, popping sounds may be heard. This is due to moisture trapped between the flesh, particularly with oily fish such as salmon and mackerel. This can be minimised when cooking if the skin and flesh is pierced serveral times with a skewer.

## SALMON MORNAY

Serves: 4 Ingredients:

40 g butter onion, diced

½ cup flour

1 tablespoon fresh parsley, chopped

pepper

½ teaspoon prepared mustard

1½ cups milk

 $\begin{array}{lll} \mbox{1 (440 g)} & \mbox{can salmon, de-boned} \\ \mbox{34 cup} & \mbox{fresh bread crumbs} \\ \mbox{13 cup} & \mbox{grated cheese} \end{array}$ 

#### Method:

Place butter and onion in a 4-cup jug. Cook on P10 for 1 minute. Add flour and cook on P10 for 1 minute. Add parsley, pepper, mustard and gradually blend in milk. Cook on P10 for 2 to 3 minutes, stir halfway through cooking. Lightly mix through salmon and liquid into sauce. Pour into serving dish and top with bread crumbs and cheese. Cook for further 4 to 5 minutes on P10 power.

# **GARLIC PRAWNS**

Serves: 2

Ingredients:

60 g butter
1 teaspoon minced garlic
1 tablespoon lemon juice
1 tablespoon chopped parsley

500 g peeled green prawns

Method:

Place butter and garlic in a 1-litre dish and cook on P10 for 30 to 50 seconds. Add lemon juice, parsley and prawns. Cook on P6 for 5 to 7 minutes, stirring halfway through cooking. Serve in individual ramekins.

# OYSTERS KILPATRICK G

Serves: 2 Ingredients:

12 oysters in shell, opened

2 teaspoons lemon juice

2 teaspoons worcestershire sauce

salt and pepper

60 g bacon, finely chopped

Method:

Place oysters in shell on a heatproof serving plate. Sprinkle each oyster with lemon juice and sauce. Season with salt and pepper. Sprinkle bacon over each oyster. Place on wire rack set on glass tray and cook on Grill 1 for 4 to 5 minutes.

**Tip:** Serve with triangles of buttered brown bread.

### TOMATO BASIL MUSSELS

Serves: 4
Ingredients:

1 kg fresh mussels

½ cup water
1 tablespoon olive oil
1 leek, sliced

1 clove garlic, crushed
1 (425 g) can tomato pieces
1 tablespoon tomato paste
½ teaspoon oregano

2 tablespoons chopped fresh basil

freshly ground black pepper

#### Method:

Place mussels and water into a bowl. Cover and cook on P7 for 4 to 6 minutes. Set aside. Place oil, leeks and garlic into a 3-litre dish. Cook on P10 for 2 minutes. Stir well, add tomatoes, tomato paste, oregano, basil and pepper. Mix well. Cook on P10 for 3 to 4 minutes. Add mussels. Cover and cook on P10 for 2 to 3 minutes. Serve immediately.

# SALMON STEAKS WITH LIME BUTTER S

Serves: 4 Ingredients:

60 g butter

1 clove garlic, crushed
1 teaspoon grated fresh ginger
1 teaspoon grated lime rind
2 tablespoons
½ teaspoon sugar
500 g salmon, steaks

#### Method:

Place butter, garlic, ginger, lime rind, juice and sugar in a shallow dish. Cook on P7 for 1 to 2 minutes. Stir halfway through cooking. Add salmon steaks and coat with sauce. Cover and cook on P5 for 5 to 7 minutes. Stand for 2 to 3 minutes before serving.

# To cook by Sensor Cook:

Prepare as above. Cover securely with plastic wrap. Refer to **Fish** directions on page 38.



Seafood Marinara

# LEMON PEPPER FISH S

Serves: 2

Ingredients:

350 g fish fillets ¼ cup lemon juice 1 teaspoon black pepper

#### Method:

Place fish, lemon juice and cracked black pepper in a 1-litre casserole dish. Cook on P6 for 4 to 6 minutes. Let stand for 3 minutes before serving.

# To cook by Sensor Cook:

Prepare as above. Cover securely with plastic wrap. Refer to **Fish** directions on page 38.

For fish with a strong odour, eliminate the smell after cooking by placing 600 ml of boiling water and 1 slice lemon in a large bowl, cook on P10 for 10 mins. Wipe out oven with a dry cloth.

# SEAFOOD MARINARA

Serves: 4

Ingredients:

750 g Marinara mix

2 tablespoons butter

1 clove garlic, crushed

2 tomatoes, peeled and chopped

1 tablespoon tomato paste ½ cup white wine 1 teaspoon basil

pepper

chopped parsley

#### Method:

Place marinara mix into a 2-litre casserole dish. Set aside. Place butter and garlic in 1-litre casserole dish. Cook on P7 for 1 minute. Add remaining ingredients (except seafood), to dish and cook on P10 for 5 minutes. Purée tomato mixture in blender or food processor and pour over seafood. Cook on P6 for 7 to 9 minutes, stir halfway through cooking. Stand for 5 minutes. Serve with salad and pasta.

# **Cooking Whole Poultry by Micro Power**

Season as desired, but salt <u>after</u> cooking. Browning sauce mixed with equal parts of butter will enhance the appearance.

Poultry must be unstuffed. Tie legs together with cotton string. Place on a microwave rack set in a rectangular dish. Place poultry breast-side down: turn over halfway through cooking. Cover with wax paper to prevent splattering.

If the poultry is not cooked enough, return it to the oven and cook a few more minutes at the recommended power level.

DO NOT USE A CONVENTIONAL MEAT THERMOMETER IN THE MICROWAVE OVEN. Let stand, covered with foil, 10 to 15 minutes after cooking. Standing time allows the temperature to equalize throughout the food and finishes the cooking process.

If a large amount of juice accumulates in the bottom of the baking dish, occasionally drain it. If desired, reserve juices for making gravy.

Less-tender birds should be cooked in liquid such as soup or broth. Use  $\frac{1}{4}$  cup per 500 g of poultry. Use an oven cooking bag or a covered casserole. Select a covered casserole deep enough so that bird does not touch the lid.

If an oven cooking bag is used, prepare according to package directions. <u>Do not</u> use wire twist-ties to close bag. Use only nylon tie, a piece of cotton string, or a strip cut from the open end of the bag. Make six 2 cm slits on top of bag.

Multiply the weight of the poultry by the minimum recommended minutes per 500 g. See chart below. Programme Micro Power and Time.

After cooking, check the internal temperature of the bird with a microwave or conventional meat thermometer inserted into the muscle. Check temperature in both muscles. The thermometer should not touch bone. If it does, the reading could be inaccurate. A thermometer cannot be accurately inserted into a small bird. To check desired cooking of a small bird, juices should be clear and the drumsticks should readily move up and down after standing time.

During cooking, it may be necessary to shield legs, wings and the breast bone with foil to prevent overcooking. Wooden toothpicks can be used to hold foil in place.



# **Cooking Poultry Pieces by Micro Power**

Cover with wax paper or paper towel. Use the chart below to determine recommended minimum cooking times.

Arrange pieces skin-side down and evenly spread in a shallow dish.

Turn or rearrange halfway through cooking. Shield wing tips, drumstick ends etc., if required.



# **Cooking Poultry by Micro Power**

POULTRY	POWER	TEMPERATURE AFTER COOKING	APPROX. COOKING TIME (minutes per 500 g)
Chickens	P7	87 °C	10 to 15
Chicken (pieces)	P7	87 °C	8 to 10
Turkey	P7	87 °C	12 to 17
Duck	P7	87 °C	10 to 15

# **Directions for Cooking Chicken Pieces by Combination**

If desired, brush chicken with butter, margarine, oil or sauce before and during grilling. Basting helps prevent chicken from drying out.

Place chicken skin-side down on rack onto the oven tray.

Cook for times recommended in the chart. Halfway through cooking, turn chicken skin-side up. Season after cooking.

To test for desired cooking, cut into chicken. Chicken should be white in colour, and juices should be clear.



# **Directions for Cooking Poultry by Combination**

Wash poultry and pat dry. Season poultry as desired. Whole poultry may be roasted stuffed or unstuffed.

# Whole Roasting Chickens (1.0 kg to 2.8 kg):

Place chicken on wire rack set on glass tray. Shield drumsticks with a strip of foil for the first 30 minutes of cooking. (Foil should not touch rack or oven walls, as arcing may occur.)

# Whole Duck (1.5 kg to 2.5 kg):

Pierce skin at 2 cm intervals with a fork to allow fat to drain from duck. Place duck on wire rack set on glass tray. Drain juices from dish once during cooking.

## Whole Turkey (2 kg to 6 kg):

Place turkey on wire rack set on glass tray. Halfway through cooking, shield tops of drumsticks with a strip of foil. (Foil should not touch oven walls, as arcing may occur.) Drain juice from dish once during cooking.

## To Cook by Manual Combination:

Multiply the ready to cook weight of the poultry by the minimum recommended minutes per 500 grams. Programme the Combination Setting and Time. Press Start. After cooking allow to stand, covered, for 10 minutes. This stand time allows for easier carving and finishes cooking. During stand time test for desired cooking. Small poultry is cooked when juices run clear and the drumsticks readily move up and down. Large poultry should be checked with a meat thermometer inserted in both thigh joints. If thermometer touches bone, the reading may be inaccurate.

If poultry is undercooked,

cook a few more minutes at the recommended Combination Setting.



# **Poultry Chart for Combination Cooking**

	Combin	ation Cooking	
POULTRY	COULTRY Combination Setting Cooking Time		Cooking Directions
Chicken (up to 2.8 kg)	Combination 1	15 min./500 g	Place on wire rack set on glass tray, baste halfway through cooking.
Chicken Pieces (1 to 1.5 kg)	Combination 1	10 – 12 min./500 g	Suitable for all pieces.
Turkey (2 to 6 kg)	Combination 1	15 min./500 g	Place on wire rack set on glass tray, baste halfway through cooking.
Duck (1.5 to 2.5 kg)	Combination 1	15 to 18 min./500 g	Pierce skin at 2 cm intervals. Place on wire rack set on glass tray, baste halfway through cooking.

# COOKING CHICKEN PIECES BY SENSOR COOK (400 g - 1.0 kg) S

- Suitable for cooking chicken pieces, such as wings, thighs, legs, breast fillets.
- Chicken pieces should be completely thawed before cooking.
- Marinate chicken pieces before cooking for added flavour and colour.
- Arrange chicken pieces skin side down with thicker, meatier portions towards the edge of dish.
- · Cover securely with plastic wrap.
- During the cooking time, the oven will 'beep' and instruct you to 'Turn over/Rearrange'. Remove the plastic wrap completely from dish. There is no need to re-cover.
- Let stand 5 to 10 minutes at the completion of cooking.

# To Operate:

Press **Sensor Cook** Pad and turn **Sensor Menu** Dial to select **Chicken Pcs.**, then press **Start**.

# Roast Chicken by Auto Combi (250 g - 2.0 kg) A

- It is suitable for roasting whole chicken.
- Chicken should be completely thawed before cooking.
- Marinate chicken before cooking for added flavour and colour.
- May be marinated with gravy or vegetables.
- Place prepared chicken on a microwave safe and heat proof dish.
- Turn over at the beep.
- Let stand 5 to 10 minutes at the completion of cooking.

# To Operate:

Press **Auto Combi** Pad once, turn the **Weight** Dial to select desired weight, then Press **Start**.

# **Cooking Eggs by Micro Power**

**boiled Eggs:** Do not boil eggs in your microwave. Raw eggs boiled in their shells can explode and cause serious injury.

<u>Poached Eggs:</u> The membrane on egg yolks must be pierced before cooking, otherwise steam will build up and cause yolk to pop.

<u>Scrambled Eggs:</u> Slightly undercook scrambled eggs as they will finish cooking during standing.

#### SCRAMBLED EGGS

Serves: 2 Ingredients:

4 x 61 g eggs 4 tablespoons milk

pinch of salt

## Method:

In 1-litre casserole dish, beat eggs lightly with whisk. Add milk and salt. Whisk until well combined. Cover dish with plastic wrap and cook on P6 for 2 to  $2\frac{1}{2}$  minutes. Stir eggs and cook for further  $2\frac{1}{2}$  to 3 minutes. Stand, covered, for 1 minute before serving.

# POACHED EGGS

Serves: 2

Ingredients:

2 x 61 g eggs

½ cup hot tap water dash of vinegar

pinch of salt

#### Method:

Place one quarter of cup of water, dash of vinegar and pinch of salt into 2 ramekin dishes or small glass bowls. Heat water on P10 for 30 - 60 seconds. Break egg into the water and with toothpick pierce the egg yolk twice and egg white several times. Cover dishes with plastic wrap and cook on P6 for 1 to 1½ minutes.

Stand, covered, for 1 minute before serving.

**Note:** The size of the eggs will alter cooking time.

# **CHICKEN CACCIATORE**

Serves: 4 Ingredients:

400 g can tomatoes

1/4 cup tomato paste

1 teaspoon minced garlic

1 onion, diced

2 teaspoons dried oregano

1 kg chicken drumsticks

1/4 red capsicum, sliced

#### Method:

Place all ingredients in a 2-litre casserole dish. Stir until combined. Cover and cook on P7 for 10 to 12 minutes. Turn chicken and stir. Cook on P7 for 10 to 12 minutes.

#### HINT:

After cooking whole poultry, cover with foil to retain heat while finishing the remainder of the meal.

# ROAST HONEY DUCK WITH ORANGE SAUCE MC

Serves: 4 to 6 **Ingredients:** 

1.5 kg duck 3 tablespoons honey

1 tablespoon orange liqueur 1 tablespoon vinegar

Sauce:

2 oranges, juiced

grated rind of 1 orange

1/4 cup water
1 tablespoon brown sugar
1 tablespoon vinegar
1 tablespoon orange ligueur

Method:

Clean and pat dry duck with paper towel. Pierce skin at 2 cm intervals with a fork.

Place duck onto a glass dish.

Place into oven and cook on Combination 1 for 30 to 40 minutes. Brush the combined honey, liqueur and vinegar over the duck and cook for a further for 10 minutes or until duck is golden brown. Stand while preparing sauce.

#### To Cook Sauce:

Place all ingredients except rind, vinegar and liqueur in a 2-cup jug. Cook on P10 for 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> to 2 minutes. Add vinegar and liqueur and cook on P10 for a further 30 seconds. Pour sauce over duck, sprinkle with rind and serve.



Roast Turkey

# ROAST TURKEY MC

Serves: 6 to 8

Ingredients:

2.5 kg turkey 60 g butter

stick celery, finely sliced
 small onion, finely chopped
 small cooking apples,

peeled and grated 2 cups fresh breadcrumbs

2 tablespoons brandy

1 tablespoon parsley, finely chopped

1 egg

salt and pepper

2 tablespoons brandy, extra

1 tablespoon oil

lemon pepper or seasoned salt

## Method:

Clean and pat dry turkey with paper towel. Melt butter in a 1-litre casserole dish on P10 for 30 to 40 seconds. Add celery, onion and apples and cook on P10 for 5 minutes. Add breadcrumbs, parsley, egg, salt and pepper. Mix well and stuff mixture into cleaned turkey.

Pierce skin of turkey with a fork. Secure legs of turkey with string. Brush with oil. Sprinkle with lemon pepper or seasoned salt.

# To Cook by Microwave:

Cook on P7 for 60 to 70 minutes. Stand covered for 10 minutes before serving.

# To Cook by Combination:

Prepare turkey with stuffing as above. Place turkey on wire rack with glass tray underneath. Cook on Combination 1 for 60 to 75 minutes. Stand 15 minutes before serving.

#### **GREEN PEPPERCORN CHICKEN**

Serves: 4 Ingredients:

500 g sliced chicken breast fillets

2 tablespoons green peppercorns 1 tablespoon seeded mustard 1 teaspoon chicken stock powder

2 tablespoons lemon juice ½ cup cream

#### Method:

Place chicken in a 3-litre casserole dish. Cook on P7 for 8 to 10 minutes stirring halfway through cooking. Mix together peppercorns, mustard, stock powder, lemon juice and cream. Pour over chicken, stir. Cook on P10 for 2 to 3 minutes.

# HONEY MUSTARD DRUMSTICKS

Serves: 3 to 4 Ingredients:

1.3 kg chicken drumsticks 2 tablespoons worcestershire sauce

 $\frac{1}{4}$  cup honey

seeded mustard 1 tablespoon 1 teaspoon curry powder

#### Method:

Place drumsticks into a shallow casserole dish. Mix together the remaining ingredients and combine with the drumsticks. Marinate for at least 2 hours in the refrigerator. Cook on P7 for 18 to 20 minutes, turning halfway through cooking. Serve with boiled rice or noodles.

# LEMON PEPPER CHICKEN WINGS G

Serves: 4 Ingredients:

 $^{1}/_{3}$  cup lemon juice 1/4 cup olive oil

2 cloves garlic, crushed 1 teaspoon whole grain mustard 2 tablespoons chopped parsley

1 teaspoon cracked black peppercorns

chicken wings 1 kg

#### Method:

Combine first six ingredients. Place chicken in a flat dish and pour over remaining combined ingredients. Marinate over night or for at least three hours. Arrange marinated chicken on wire rack on glass tray. Cook on Grill 1 for 30 to 35 minutes, turning once during cooking.

# ZUCCHINI SLICE

Serves: 4 to 6 Ingredients:

rashers bacon, diced onion, diced 2 cups grated zucchini grated carrot 2 cups grated tasty cheese 1 cup 1 cup self raising flour eggs, lightly beaten 5 vegetable oil 125 ml

1 tablespoon fresh chopped parsley

salt and pepper

#### Method:

Lightly grease a 25 cm square microwave safe dish. Place bacon and onion in a 2-litre casserole dish and cook on P10 for 2 to 3 minutes. Allow to cool slightly. Stir in zucchini, carrot, cheese and flour. In a 1-litre bowl whisk together eggs, oil and parsley. Add to bacon mixture season with salt and pepper and stir until combined. Pour into prepared dish. Cook on P6 for 18 to 20 minutes.

# **CHICKEN BURRITOS**

Serves: 4 to 6 Ingredients:

clove garlic, crushed 1 2 large onions, chopped chilli powder (optional) 1 teaspoon packet taco seasoning mix 1 (35 g) chicken tenderloins, diced 500 g 425 g can red kidney beans, drained

½ cup tomato paste

½ cup water 1 cup grated cheese 10

tortillas

#### Method:

Place garlic, onion and chilli in a 3-litre casserole dish. Cook on P10 for 2 minutes. Stir in remaining ingredients except cheese and tortillas. Cover and cook on P7 for 16 to 18 minutes, stirring twice during cooking. Serve in warmed tortillas topped with grated cheese.

# CHICKEN ROLLS WITH HONEY MUSTARD

Serves: 4 to 6 Ingredients:

8 chicken thigh fillets 16 prunes, pitted 8 green onions, sliced 2 tablespoon flaked almonds

4 rashers rindless bacon, halved lengthwise

**Honey Mustard Glaze** 

1 tablespoon brown sugar 1 tablespoon French mustard

1 tablespoon honey

10 g butter, melted

ground black pepper

#### Method:

Open out each thigh fillet and trim away fat. Place 2 prunes, some green onion and a few flaked almonds on each fillet. Roll fillets up and wrap a piece of bacon around each one. Secure with toothpicks. Blend all glaze ingredients together in a small bowl. Place chicken into a 3-litre dish in a single layer and brush with glaze mixture. Cook on P7 for 16 to 20 minutes, turning halfway through cooking.

# CHICKEN AND ASPARAGUS RISOTTO

Serves: 4

Ingredients:

300 g fresh asparagus, chopped

2 tablespoons olive oil 1½ cups arborio rice

1 clove garlic, crushed 4 cups boiling chicken stock

2 cups coarsely chopped cooked chicken ¼ cup grated fresh parmesan cheese

½ cup cream

1 tablespoon ground black pepper

chopped parsley

extra coarsely grated parmesan cheese

#### Method:

Place asparagus into 2-litre dish and cook on P10 for 1 minute. Set aside. Place oil, rice and garlic in a large microwave safe bowl. Cook covered on P10 for 1 minute. Add 2 cups of boiling chicken stock, cook on P10 for 5 minutes. Stir twice during cooking. Add remaining chicken stock and cook on P10 for another 5 minutes. Add remaining ingredients along with asparagus and stir into risotto. Cook covered on P10 for 2 minutes. Stand for 5 minutes. Serve topped with extra parmesan and black pepper.

# HINT:

- A No. 15 (1.5 kg) chicken will make 4 cups of diced cooked chicken.
- 2 half breasts will make 2 cups of diced cooked chicken.
- 1 chicken maryland will make 1 cup of diced cooked chicken.

## HONEY SESAME DRUMSTICKS S

Serves: 4
Ingredients:

1 kg chicken drumsticks
1 teaspoon garlic, chopped
1 teaspoon chopped ginger
1/4 cup soy sauce
1/4 cup honey

2 tablespoons sesame seeds

#### Method:

Place all ingredients in 2-litre bowl, stir until combined. Marinate for at least 2 hours or overnight. Remove chicken from marinade and place in shallow dish with the meatiest ends to the outside. Cook on P7 for 15 to 18 minutes, turning once during cooking.

## To cook by Sensor Cook:

Prepare as above. Cover securely with plastic wrap. Refer to **Chicken Pcs.** directions on page 43.

# CHICKEN WINGS IN LEMON SAUCE S

Serves: 4 to 6 Ingredients:

1 kg chicken wings 1/4 cup soy sauce 1 teaspoon ginger powder

2 cloves garlic, crushed

½ cup lemon juice

## Method:

Place chicken wings in 3-litre casserole dish. Mix together remaining ingredients and pour over chicken wings. Marinate for 1 to 2 hours in the refrigerator. Cook, covered, on P7 for 15 to 20 minutes. Serve hot with rice.

#### To cook by Sensor Cook:

Prepare as above. Cover securely with plastic wrap. Refer to **Chicken Pcs.** directions on page 43.



Chicken Wings in Lemon Sauce

# Coo Au Vin

Serves: 4 to 6 Ingredients:

750 g chicken thigh fillets, diced

4 rashers bacon, chopped
8 baby onions, peeled
2 cloves garlic, crushed
½ cup white wine
1½ cups chicken stock
¼ cup tomato paste
300 g button mushrooms

1 tablespoon plain flour

#### Method:

Place chicken, bacon, onions and garlic in a 3-litre casserole dish cook on P10 for 8 to 10 minutes. Add remaining ingredients except flour cook on P6 for 20 to 25 minutes, stirring halfway through cooking. Mix flour with two tablespoons water and stir into chicken mixture. Cook on P10 for 2 to 3 minutes. Serve with rice or crusty bread.

# CHICKEN AND POTATO CASSEROLE

Serves: 4
Ingredients:

1 cooked BBQ chicken

500 g potatoes, peeled and thinly sliced

1½ cups water 30 g butter

onion, finely choppedclove garlic, crushed

2 tablespoons plain flour 1 cup chicken stock

2 teaspoon french mustard ½ cup cream

3/4 cup grated tasty cheese

paprika

#### Method:

Remove chicken meat from bones. Place potatoes and water in a 2-litre casserole dish. Cover and cook on P10 for 8 to 10 minutes. Drain. Combine chicken and potatoes. Set aside. Place butter in a 4-cup glass jug and cook on P7 for 40 seconds. Add onion and garlic to jug and cook on P10 for 1 to 2 minutes. Add flour and stir. Gradually add stock and blend to a smooth paste. Cook on P10 for 2 to 3 minutes. Stir every minute.

Add mustard and cream. Stir well. Pour sauce over chicken and potato mixture. Sprinkle with cheese and paprika. Cook on P7 for 4 to 6 minutes. Serve with vegetables.

#### **CHICKEN CURRY**

Serves: 4 Ingredients:

1 onion, chopped 2 tablespoons red curry paste 500 g chicken fillets, sliced

1 tablespoon fish sauce brown sugar

2 cups finely sliced vegetables

1 cup coconut milk

#### Method:

Place onion and curry paste in a 3-litre casserole dish. Cook on P10 for 2 to 3 minutes. Add chicken and combine. Cook on P7 for 6 minutes, stirring once during cooking. Add fish sauce, brown sugar, vegetables and coconut milk. Stir well. Cover and cook on P10 for 4 to 6 minutes. Serve with Jasmine rice.

# SPICY CHICKEN CURRY

Serves: 4 to 6

Ingredients:

1 onion, finely chopped
1 clove garlic, crushed
1 teaspoon finely grated root ginger
2 teaspoons ground coriander
½ teaspoon ground turmeric

1 teaspoon ground turmer ground cumin teaspoon chilli powder vinegar thicken breas

1 kg chicken breast fillets, cut into strips

1 cup chicken stock ½ cup coconut cream

#### Method:

Place onion, garlic and ginger in a 3-litre dish and cook on P10 for 2 to 3 minutes. Add spices and vinegar to onion mixture and cook on P10 for 1 to 2 minutes. Add chicken and stock to onion mixture and cook on P6 for 10 to 15 minutes, stirring 2 to 3 times. Before serving, stir through coconut cream. Heat for 1 to 2 minutes on P6. Serve with rice, pappadums and sambals.



Spicy Chicken Curry

# **Cooking Tender Cuts of Meat using Micro Power**

For best results, select roasts that are uniform in shape.

Place meat on a microwave rack in a suitable dish. Beef rib roast should be placed cut-side down. Other bone-in roasts should be placed fat-side down. Boneless roasts should be placed fat-side up. Halfway through cooking, turn roasts. Half hams should be shielded by wrapping an 8 cm wide strip of foil around the large end of the ham. Secure to the body of the ham with wooden toothpicks. Fold 3 cm over cut surface. For shank ham halves, shield shank bone by cupping it with foil. One third of the way through cooking, remove ham from oven and cut off skin. Turn fat side up and reshield edges. If desired. glaze last 10 to 20 minutes of cooking. Loosely cover baking dish with wax paper or paper towel to prevent splatter. If a large amount of juice accumulates in the bottom of the dish, drain occasionally. If desired, reserve for making gravy. Multiply the weight of the roast by the minimum recommended times per 500 g. Programme Micro Power and Time.

Meats can be shielded at the beginning of cooking or halfway through cooking. If you wish to shield at the beginning of cooking, remove foil halfway through the cooking time. Beef and pork rib roasts should be shielded around the bones. Foil should extend about 5 cm down from bones. The shank and thin ends of boneless roasts should also be shielded. Make sure foil does not touch the sides of the oven, as arcing may occur. Canned hams should be shielded on the top cut-edge with a 3 cm strip of foil. Wrap strip of foil around ham and secure to body of ham with wooden toothpicks. Fold 2 cm over cut surface. After heating. check temperature using a meat thermometer. The thermometer should not touch bone or fat. If it does, the reading could be inaccurate. Lower temperatures are found in the centre of the roast and in the muscle close to a large bone, such as a pork loin centre rib roast. If the temperatures are low, return meat to the oven and cook a few more minutes at the recommended power level. DO NOT USE A CONVENTIONAL MEAT THERMOMETER IN THE MICROWAVE OVEN. Let stand, covered with foil, 10 to 15 minutes. During standing time the internal temperature equalises and the temperature rises 5 °C to 10 °C.

# **Cooking Less-Tender Cuts of Meat by Microwave Power**

Less-tender cuts of meat such as pot roasts should be cooked in liquid. Use  $\frac{1}{2}$  to 2 cups of soup, broth, etc. per 500 g of meat. Use an oven cooking bag or covered casserole when cooking less-tender cuts of meat. Select a covered casserole deep enough so that the meat does not touch the lid. If an oven cooking bag is used, prepare the bag according to package directions. Do not use wire or metal twist-

ties. Use the nylon tie provided, otherwise, use a piece of cotton string or a strip cut from the open end of the bag. Make six 2 cm slits in top of bag to allow steam to escape. Multiply the weight of the roast by the minimum recommended minutes per 500 g as suggested in the chart below. Programme Power and Time. Turn meat over halfway through cooking. Meat should be tender when cooked.

# **Cooking Meat by Microwave Power**

MEAT	POWER	APPROX. COOKING TIME (minutes per 500 g)
Beef Roasts Rare Medium Well Pot Roast	P6 P6 P6 P2	10 to 12 12 to 14 14 to 16 25 to 30
Pork Leg of Pork Loin of Pork Ham Canned (fully cooked)	P7 P7 P7	11 to 13 11 to 13 4 to 5
<b>Lamb</b> Medium Well	P6 P6	8 to 10 12 to 14

# **Directions for Cooking Meats by Combination**

Season roast as desired, but add salt after cooking. Salt can be used for cooking Pork crackling.

# Beef, Pork and Lamb Roasts:

Place fat-side down on wire rack with the glass tray underneath to catch drips. Place pork rib roasts, rib tips down on wire rack. Shield thin ends, cut edges and bony areas to prevent overcooking. To shield, place a thin strip of foil over top cut edges of roast. Cover tapered thinner section of roast with a small square of foil. (Foil should not touch sides of the oven, as arcing may occur.) Remove foil halfway through cooking time. Always turn meats over halfway through cooking.

### Canned Ham (1.5 kg to 2.5 kg):

Place on wire rack set on glass tray. Shield top cut edge with a 4 cm wide strip of foil. Fold foil over top cut edge and down the sides. (Foil should not touch oven sides, as arcing may occur.)

### Pot Roast (1.2 kg to 1.75 kg):

Place meat, vegetables and seasonings in large oven proof casserole dish. Cover with a lid. If desired, the pot roast may be cooked in an oven cooking bag.

Prepare the oven cooking bag according to package directions. Do not use wire or metal twist-ties. Use the nylon ties provided, or use a piece of cotton string or a strip cut from the oven bag. Place bag in oven proof casserole dish. Place dish on glass tray. Cook on Combination 3.

#### To Cook by Manual Combination:

Multiply the weight of the meat by the minimum recommended minutes per 500 g. Cook quality meat roasts on Combination 2 using the times in the following chart.

As with Microwave cooking, roasts cooked by Combination will continue to cook during the stand time. During stand time check the internal temperature of the roast using a Microwave or conventional thermometer. The thermometer should not touch bone or fat. If it does, the reading could be inaccurate. If the temperatures are lower than desired, return the roast to the oven and cook a few more minutes at the recommended Combination Setting.

Stand 10 to 15 minutes before carving.

# **Meat Chart for Combination Cooking**

MEAT	Combination Cooking			
MEAT	Combination Setting	Cooking Time		
BEEF ROASTS				
Rib, Boneless Rib, Top Sirloin				
Rare	Combation 2	12 to 14 min./500 g		
Medium	Combation 2	16 to 18 min./500 g		
Well	Combation 2	20 to 22 min./500 g		
Rump, Eye of Round		_		
Rare	Combation 2	12 to 15 min./500 g		
Medium	Combation 2	16 to 18 min./500 g		
Well	Combation 2	20 to 22 min./500 g		
Beef Tenderloin				
Rare	Combation 2	12 to 14 min./500 g		
Medium	Combation 2	16 to 18 min./500 g		
Pot Roast (1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> to 2 kg) Chuck	Combation 1	1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> to 2 h total		
Turn meat over after 1 hour of cooking)	Combation 1	$1^{1}/_{2}$ to 2 h total		
PORK ROASTS	Combation 2	15 to 16 min./500 g		
LAMB ROASTS	Combation 2	13 to 15 min./500 g		
MEATLOAVES	Combation 1	25 to 30 min./500 g		
CASSEROLES	Combation 1	30 to 40 min./1000 g		

# COOKING CURRIES BY SENSOR COOK (250 g - 750 g) (Weight of only meat) S

- See chart below for quantities to use.
- Cut meat and vegetables into even size pieces.
- Place curry paste, meat, onion and hard vegetable into a suitable size casserole dish, do not use plastic dishes. Cover securely with plastic wrap. Select curries then Start.
- When the oven beeps add remaining ingredients including liquid and continue to cook, uncovered by pressing Start.
- At the end of cooking time, allow to stand for 5-10 minutes.

#### To Operate:

Cover securely with plastic wrap. Press **Sensor Cook** Pad and turn **Sensor Menu** Dial to select **Curries**, then **Start**.

# Roast Beef/Lamb by Auto Combi

(250 g - 2.5 kg) A

- It is suitable for roasting beef and lamb in pieces.
- Meat may be cooked marinated with gravy or vegetables.
- Place prepared beef/lamb on wire rack, with a shallow dish underneath to collect drips.
- Turn over at the beeps.

#### To Operate:

Press **Auto Combi** Pad twice, turn the **Weigh**t Dial to select desired weight, then Press **Start**.

# **BBQ Meat Piece by Auto Combi**

(150 g - 500 g) A

- · Suitable for roasting different kinds of meat skewers.
- Cut the meat into thin pieces and marinate them with sauce for about 15-20 minutes, then string them together. Arrange the skewers on the high wire rack
- Place the high wire rack on the Glass Dish and place the ensemble on the base of the oven.
- During cooking the oven will beep to prompt you to turn the skewers,

#### To Operate:

Press **Auto Combi** Pad three times, turn the **Weight** Dial to select desired weight, then Press **Start**.

#### THAI BEEF CURRY

Serves: 4 to 6 Ingredients:

1 onion, thinly sliced
2 tablespoons
500 g
thinly sliced lean beef
red capsicum, thinly sliced
1 carrot, thinly sliced
2 tablespoons
thinly sliced lean beef
red capsicum, thinly sliced
carrot, thinly sliced
zucchini, sliced

200 g broccoli, broken into flowerets

1 cup coconut milk
1 tablespoon soy sauce
1 tablespoon lemon juice
2 tablespoons shredded fresl

2 tablespoons shredded fresh basil ½ cup roasted unsalted peanuts

#### Method:

Place the onion and curry paste into a 4-litre dish. Cook on P10 for 2 to 3 minutes. Add the beef and cook on P10 for 4 to 6 minutes, stirring halfway through cooking. Add the vegetables and coconut milk and cook on P10 for 6 to 8 minutes. Mix in the soy sauce, lemon juice and basil and serve sprinkled with peanuts.

# LAMB KORMA S

Serves: 4
Ingredients:

## Method:

Place onion, lamb, curry paste and carrot in a 3-litre casserole dish. Cook on P10 for 6 minutes. Add tomato puree and beef stock and stir, cook on P6 for 40 minutes, stirring once during cooking. Stir in yoghurt and serve with basmati rice.

#### To cook by Sensor Cook:

Prepare as above. Cover securely with plastic wrap. Refer to **Curries** directions on this page.

General Guide to Curries for Sensor Cook				
Serves	Weight of meat Amount of liquid Weight of (coconut milk, stock) vegetab			
2	<b>250</b> g	375 ml	<b>200</b> g	
4	500 g	500 ml	<b>400</b> g	
6	750 g	750 ml	600 g	

# MUSSAMAN BEEF CURRY S

Serves: 4 Ingredients:

 $500~\mathrm{g}$  round steak diced  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup mussaman curry paste

400 g potato diced
250 ml coconut milk
250 ml beef stock
1 tablespoon brown sugar

#### Method:

Place steak, curry paste and potato in a 3-litre casserole dish cook on P10 for 6 minutes. Add coconut milk, beef stock and brown sugar, stir, cook on P5 for 40 minutes. Stir once during cooking serve with jasmine rice.

# To cook by Sensor Cook:

Prepare as above. Cover securely with plastic wrap. Refer to **Curries** directions on page 50.

#### HINT:

TO COOK PAPPADUMS:

Place on paper towel lined microwave safe plate. Cook on P10 for 10 to 20 seconds for each pappadum, turning halfway through cooking. Allow to stand 1 minute before serving.

## GOULASH

Serves: 4 Ingredients:

onion, choppedclove garlic, crushed

1 tablespoon butter
2 tablespoons tomato paste
½ teaspoon paprika
500 g lamb, diced

1 small capsicum, diced

1 cup beef stock
2 tablespoons flour
2 tablespoons water
2 tablespoons sour cream

#### Method:

Place onion, garlic and butter in 3-litre casserole dish. Cook on P10 for 1 to 2 minutes. Add tomato paste and paprika. Cook on P10 for a further 2 minutes. Add lamb, capsicum and stock. Cover and cook on P6 for 25 to 30 minutes, stirring halfway through cooking. Mix flour with 2 tablespoons of water and stir into goulash mixture. Cook on P10 for 1 to 2 minutes. Stir in sour cream and serve with pasta and rice.

#### HINT:

It is better to cook meat for a lesser time in a recipe and add extra time if needed. This will prevent over cooking.

## ROAST BEEF MC

Serves: 6
Ingredients:

2 kg roast beef seasoned flour

#### Method:

Place beef on wire rack with a dish underneath, to catch drips. Sprinkle beef with seasoned flour.

# To Cook by Combination:

Cook on Combination 1 for 40 to 45 minutes, for a medium result. Stand covered for 10 minutes before serving.

# FRENCH ONION BEEF CASSEROLE

Serves: 4

Ingredients:

100 g whole button mushrooms

½ cup frozen peas

#### Method:

Place onion and garlic in 3-litre casserole dish. Cook on P10 for 1 to 2 minutes. Add remaining ingredients, except mushrooms and peas. Stir until combined. Cover and cook on P10 for 8 minutes. Stir and cook on P4 for 28 to 30 minutes. Add mushrooms and frozen peas. Stir cook on P4 for 14 to 15 minutes.

## **BEEF BOURGUIGNONNE**

Serves: 4 to 6 **Ingredients:** 

750 g diced chuck steak

4 rashers bacon

6 pickling, onions
2 teaspoon minced garlic
1/4 cup red wine
125 ml tomato puree
1/2 cup beef stock
1 teaspoon minced chilli
1 teaspoon dried tarragon

250 g button mushrooms, halved

# Method:

Place all ingredients except mushrooms in a 3-litre casserole dish, stir until combined. Cover and cook on P7 for 10 to 15 minutes. Stir and cook on P6 for 25 to 30 minutes. Stir and add mushrooms halfway through cooking

#### BARBECUED MARINATED SPARE RIBS

Serves: 4 Ingredients:

1 kg pork spare ribs 3/4 cup fruit chutney 3/4 cup tomato sauce 1 tablespoon sov sauce

1 tablespoon worcestershire sauce

Method:

Place all ingredients in 3-litre casserole dish and marinate for several hours or overnight. Cook ribs covered on P7 for 20 to 25 minutes, turning once during cooking.

# PEPPER POT BEEF

Serves: 4 Ingredients:

1 teaspoon minced garlic red capsicum, sliced 1 400 g can tomatoes 425 g can tomato puree 750 g cubed beef 1/4 cup tomato paste

1 tablespoon worcestershire sauce 1 teaspoon cracked black pepper

Method:

Combine all ingredients in 3-litre casserole dish. Cook on P7 for 15 minutes. Stir, cook on P6 for 25 minutes. Serve with boiled or steamed rice.

#### LAMB PILAU

Serves: 4 Ingredients:

1 tablespoon oil

large onion, sliced 600 g lean diced lamb 400 g can tomato pieces 2 tablespoon garam masala 1 teaspoon dried thyme 1 cup long grain rice 600 ml hot chicken stock natural yoghurt 150 g

Method:

Place the onion and oil in a 3 litre dish. Cover and cook on P10 for 2 to 3 minutes. Add lamb, tomato pieces, garam masala, and thyme. Cover and cook on P7 for 10 minutes. Stir. Cook on P7 for a further 10 minutes. Add the rice and chicken stock and cook covered on P5 for a further 30 minutes or until the rice is tender. Stir in yoghurt, season with pepper and serve.

freshly ground black pepper



Rack of Lamb

# RACK OF LAMB MC

Serves: 4 Ingredients:

racks lamb

(approx. 450 g each) cloves garlic, cut into slices

rosemary

Method:

Score rack of lamb and insert slices of garlic under skin. Place lamb fat side down on wire rack set on glass tray. Sprinkle with rosemary. Cook on Combination 2 for 20 to 25 minutes, turning halfway through cooking. Stand for 5 minutes before serving.

# **GINGERED PORK STIR FRY**

Serves: 4 Ingredients:

500 g sliced lean pork 1/4 cup teriyaki sauce

1 tablespoon honey

minced ginger 2 teaspoons 2 teaspoons cornflour onion, sliced

300 g sugar snap peas, trimmed

1 zucchini, sliced 1/2 red capsicum, sliced 2 green onions, sliced bean sprouts

½ cup

1 tablespoon toasted sesame seeds

Method:

Place pork, teriyaki sauce, honey, ginger and cornflour in a 2-litre dish. Cover and marinate in the refrigerator for 2 hours. Place onion in a 3 litre dish. Cook on P10 for 1 to 2 minutes. Add marinated pork and sauces and cook on P7 for 3 to 4 minutes. Add peas, zucchini, capsicum, green onions and bean sprouts. Cook on P10 for 3 to 4 minutes. Sprinkle with sesame seeds and serve with noodles.

#### **CORNED BEEF**

Serves: 4 Ingredients:

1.5 to 1.7 kg corned silverside 1 tablespoon brown sugar 1 tablespoon white vinegar 1 onion, cut in half

4 cloves
6 peppercorns
1 bay leaf
3 cups water

#### Method:

Rinse corned silverside under cold running water to remove excess salt. Place corned silverside in 4-litre casserole dish. Add remaining ingredients. Cover and cook on P10 for 10 minutes. Turn meat, cover and cook on P3 for 1½ to 1½ hours. Stand corned silverside in cooking liquid for 10 minutes before carving.

**Note**: Depending on the size and shape of the silverside, it may require a further 10 to 15 minutes on P3.

# ITALIAN SAUSAGE AND PEPPER CASSEROLE MC

Serves: 4
Ingredients:

4 cups boiling water 250 g pasta shapes

500 g Italian sausages or chipolatas

2 large onions, diced 2 green capsicums, diced

410 g tomato purée

1/2 teaspoon salt 1/2 teaspoon pepper

1 clove garlic, crushed

1 teaspoon Italian herbs

1/3 cup Parmesan cheese

# Method:

Place water in a 4-litre casserole dish. Add pasta and cook on P10 for 8 to 10 minutes. Stand covered for 5 minutes. Drain. Place sausages in a 3-litre casserole dish. Cover and cook on P10 for 4 to 6 minutes. Drain, slice into 3 cm pieces. Set aside. Place onion and capsicum in a large casserole dish. Cover and cook on P10 for 4 to 6 minutes. Stir in pasta, sliced sausages, tomato purée, salt and pepper, herbs and half the Parmesan cheese. Cover and cook on Combination 3 for 20 minutes. Remove lid, stir, sprinkle over remaining Parmesan cheese. Cook as above for a further 15 minutes.



Corned Beef

## **LASAGNE**

Serves: 4 to 6

# Ingredients:

Meat Sauce:

500 g minced beef 2 small onions, chopped 1 clove garlic, chopped 1 (425 g) can tomato purée

1 cup beef stock ½ cup chopped basil

1 tablespoon cracked black pepper

#### **Cheese Sauce:**

 $\begin{array}{lll} 80 \ \mathrm{g} & \text{butter} \\ 1\!\!/_{4} \ \mathrm{cup} & \text{flour} \\ 500 \ \mathrm{ml} & \text{milk} \end{array}$ 

½ cupgrated cheese½ cupParmesan cheese12lasagne sheets, cooked½ cupextra grated cheese

# Method:

#### Meat Sauce:

Combine all meat sauce ingredients in 4-litre casserole dish. Cook on P7 for 30 to 35 minutes, stirring several times during cooking. Set aside.

#### **Cheese Sauce:**

Melt butter in 2-litre jug on P10 for 30 to 40 seconds. Add flour and mix well. Gradually stir in milk. Cook on P10 for 3 to 4 minutes. Stirring halfway through cooking. Add grated cheese and Parmesan cheese. Cook on P10 for 50 to 60 seconds. Spoon quarter of the meat sauce into the base of 25 x 25 cm deep casserole dish. Top with three lasagne sheets. Spoon another quarter of meat sauce over the lasagne sheets and spread with cheese sauce. Continue with remaining ingredients. Top with meat and cheese sauce. Sprinkle with extra cheese and cook on P7 for 20 to 25 minutes.

# SPAGHETTI MEAT SAUCE

Serves: 4 to 6 Ingredients:

minced beef 500 g onion, chopped minced garlic 1 teaspoon 1 (425 g) can tomatoes 1 cup tomato paste beef stock cubes 2 1 teaspoon dried mixed herbs

pepper

#### Method:

Combine all ingredients in a 3-litre casserole dish. Cook on P10 for 7 minutes, stir. Cook on P7 for 14 to 16 minutes. Stir halfway through cooking. Serve with spaghetti.

# **BEEF STROGANOFF**

Serves: 4 Ingredients:

onion, sliced 1 teaspoon minced garlic 1 teaspoon paprika

750 g rump steak sliced thinly

2 tablespoons tomato sauce 2 tablespoons worcestershire sauce

beef stock cube 200 g sliced mushrooms ⅓ cup sour cream

Method:

Place all ingredients (except sour cream and mushrooms) in a 3-litre casserole dish. Stir until combined. Cook on P7 for 7 to 9 minutes, stirring once during cooking. Add mushrooms. Stir and cook on P7 for 3 to 4 minutes. Stir through sour cream.

# CHINESE BEEF AND VEGETABLES

Serves: 4 to 6 Ingredients:

500 g rump steak sliced 1 teaspoon chopped ginger 1 teaspoon chopped garlic 1 tablespoon sov sauce 1/4 cup Hoisin sauce 1/4 cup sweet chilli sauce 3 cups sliced vegetables

Method:

Place steak, ginger and garlic in a 3-litre casserole dish. Cook on P10 for 1 minute. In 1-cup jug, combine soy sauce. Hoisin sauce and sweet chilli. Add to meat mixture. Cook on P10 for 3 to 4 minutes. Add the vegetables, cover and cook on P10 for 3 to 5 minutes, stirring halfway through cooking. Let stand for 5 minutes before serving.



Seasoned Roast Lamb

# SEASONED ROAST LAMB

Serves: 4 to 6 Ingredients:

1.6 kg lamb leg 1 tablespoon seeded mustard 1 tablespoon rosemary

#### Method:

Place lamb on a rack in a 3 litre dish. Brush with mustard and sprinkle with rosemary. Cook on Combination 2 for 27 minutes. Turn over. Cook on Combination 2 for 27 minutes. Cover. Set timer for 10 minutes and allow to stand.

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Serves: 4 Ingredients:

500 g topside beef mince 1 teaspoon minced garlic

1 (35 g) packet chilli seasoning mix

1 (400 g) can tomato purée

can kidney beans, drained 1 (440 g)

Method:

Place all ingredients in a 3-litre dish. Mix well. Cook on P10 for 17 to 19 minutes. Stir halfway through cooking. Serve in taco shells with chopped tomatoes and shredded lettuce or with a salad and crusty bread.

# **Cooking Fresh Vegetables by Micro Power**

Place vegetables in a casserole dish. Add 2 to 3 tablespoons of water per  $500~{\rm g}$  of vegetables. Add salt to water or add after cooking. Do not place salt directly on vegetables. Cover dish with glass lid or plastic wrap.

Cook on P10 according to time recommended in the chart. Halfway through cooking, stir, turn vegetables

over or rearrange.

Vegetables that are to be cooked whole and unpeeled, need to be pierced to allow steam to escape. Place vegetables on a paper towel lined dinner plate. Allow to stand, covered, according to the time indicated in the charts.

# **Cooking Fresh Vegetables by Micro Power**

Vegetables should be covered and cooked on P10 power for best results. Weights given are trimmed weights.

VEGETABLE	QUANTITY	COOKING PROCEDURE	APPROX. COOKING TIME (in minutes) on P10
Asparagus	250 g	Covered dish with ¼ cup water	1 to 3
Beans (finely sliced)	<b>250</b> g	Covered dish with 1/4 cup water	3 to 5
Beetroot	4 whole (1 kg)	Covered with 1 cup water in 4-litre dish. Stand after cooking - 5 mins.	14 to 18
Broccoli	250 g	Covered dish with ¼ cup water.	4 to 6
Brussels Sprouts	<b>250</b> g	Covered dish with ¼ cup water.	4 to 6
Cabbage	500 g	Shredded, with ¼ cup water in covered dish.	5 to 7
Carrots	4 (sliced finely) 250 g	With $\frac{1}{4}$ cup water in covered dish.	5 to 6
Cauliflower	500 g	With ¼ cup water in covered dish.	6 to 8
Celery	6 stalks (400 g) cut in 1 cm pieces	With ¼ cup water in covered dish.	4 to 6
Corn	2 cobs (500 g) 4 cobs (1 kg)	Brush with melted butter and cook in covered dish.	4 to 6 10 to 12
Eggplant	1 (500 g)	Dice with ¼ cup water in covered dish.	4 to 6
Mushrooms	250 g (sliced)	Cook with 2 tablespoons butter in covered dish.	2 to 4
Onions	3 (200 g)	Cut in quarters with $\frac{1}{4}$ cup water in covered dish.	5 to 7
Peas	<b>250</b> g	Shell peas and place with $\frac{1}{4}$ cup water in covered dish.	3 to 5
Potatoes-Mashed -Jacket	500 g 3 Med	Peeled and quartered with ½ cup water. Covered. Cook uncovered on paper towel lined plate.	8 to 10 6 to 8
Pumpkin	500 g	Peeled and cut into uniform pieces with $\frac{1}{4}$ cup water in covered dish.	7 to 9
Spinach/Silver Beef	250 g	Remove stem, cut leaves into small pieces. Cook with ¼ cup water in covered dish.	4 to 6
Sweet Potato	500 g	In serving size pieces with 2 tablespoons water in covered dish.	7 to 9
Turnips	500 g	Peeled and sliced finely with ¼ cup water in covered dish.	6 to 8
Tomatoes	2 (300 g)	Sliced and cooked covered.	2 to 4
Zucchini	500 g	Cut in 2 cm pieces in covered dish.	5 to 7

# **Cooking Frozen Vegetables by Micro Power**

Remove vegetables from package and place in an appropriate sized container. Vegetables frozen in a pouch should be placed on a dish and the top pierced. Cook on P10 according to directions given in chart. Vegetables should be cooked covered with

a lid or plastic wrap.

Halfway through cooking, stir, turn vegetables over or rearrange. Stir after cooking. Allow to stand for 2 to 3 minutes before serving.

# **Cooking Frozen Vegetables by Micro Power**

VEGETABLE	QUANTITY	COOKING PROCEDURE	APPROX. COOKING TIME (in minutes) on P10
Beans	<b>250</b> g	Cook in covered 2-litre dish.	4 to 6
Broad Beans	250 g	Cook in covered 2-litre dish.	5 to 7
Broccoli (spears)	350 g	Cook in covered 2-litre dish.	5 to 7
Brussels Sprouts	<b>250</b> g	Cook in covered 2-litre dish.	5 to 7
Carrots (baby)	<b>250</b> g	Cook in covered 2-litre dish.	6 to 8
Cauliflower	500 g	Cook in covered 2-litre dish.	5 to 7
Corn (½ cob) Corn (cobs)	125 g 250 g	Cook in covered 2-litre dish. Cook in covered 2-litre dish.	3 to 4 5 to 7
Mixed Vegetables	250 g	Cook in covered 2-litre dish.	5 to 7
Peas	250 g	Cook in covered 2-litre dish.	4 to 6
Spinach	250 g	Cook in covered 2-litre dish.	4 to 6

# Cooking Dried Beans or Peas by Micro Power

Place hot tap water in 4-litre dish. Bring hot water to the boil on P10 for 10 to 12 minutes. Add beans and 2 tablespoons oil to water. Cook according to directions in chart. Stir. Allow to stand, covered, for 15 to 20 minutes.

**Note:** Beans such as red kidney beans and lima beans should be soaked overnight before cooking. 250  $\rm g$  of dried beans equals about 3 cups cooked beans. Use in place of canned beans.

# Cooking Dried Beans and Peas by Micro Power

ITEM	CONTAINER	AMOUNT OF HOT WATER	APPROX. TIME TO BOIL HOT WATER on P10 (in minutes) COVERED	TO COOK BEANS on P3 (in minutes) COVERED
Lentils (250 g)	4-litre dish	2 litres	10 to 12	15 to 20
Soup Mix (250 g)	4-litre dish	2 litres	10 to 12	20 to 25
Split Peas or Lentils (250 g)	4-litre dish	2 litres	10 to 12	25 to 30
Beans (250 g) Soaked overnight	4-litre dish	2 litres	10 to 12	25 to 30

# COOKING FROZEN VEGETABLES BY SENSOR COOK (125 g - 1.0 kg) S

- · Suitable for all types of frozen vegetables.
- Place in a suitable size dish. Do not use plastic dishes.
- Best results are achieved if large quantities are placed in a single layer.
- Add 1 tablespoon to ¼ cup water to vegetables, if desired
- Butter, herbs etc. may be added before heating, but do not add salt until serving.
- · Cover securely with plastic wrap.
- During the cooking time, the oven will 'beep' and prompt you to stir/rearrange vegetables.
- At the end of the cooking time, stir vegetables and let stand, covered, for 2 to 3 minutes.

#### To Operate:

Press Sensor Cook Pad and turn Sensor Menu Dial to select Frozen Veg., then *Start*.

# COOKING LEGUMES BY SENSOR COOK (1 cup - 4 cups)

- Suitable for cooking chickpeas, split peas dried beans and peas and brown rice.
- Cover legumes with cold water and soak overnight, drain.
- Place legumes and boiling water into an appropriate sized dish. (See table for quantities)

Amount of Legumes	Amount of Boiling Water	Dish Size
1 cup	3 cups	2 litre
2 cups	4 cups	3 litre
3 cups	6 cups	4 litre
4 cups	8 cups	4 litre

- Cover securely with plastic wrap.
- Anytime during cooking the oven will beep and prompt you to stir. Remove covering.
- At the end of cooking time, allow legumes to stand for 5 minutes if required.

#### To Operate:

Press Sensor Cook Pad and turn Sensor Menu Dial to select Legumes, then *Start*.

# COOKING VEGETABLES AND ROOT VEGETABLES BY SENSOR COOK

# **Vegetables**

# (125 g - 500 g by Sensor Cook) $\boxed{s}$

- Suitable for cooking all types of leaf, green and soft varieties of vegetables, including broccoli, squash cauliflower, cabbage, asparagus, beans, celery, zucchini, spinach, capsicum or a mixture of these.
- All vegetables should be trimmed or prepared and cut into evenly sized pieces.
- Add 1 tablespoon to ¼ cup of water to vegetables if dehydrated or a softer cooked texture is desired.
- · Place in a suitable size dish.
- Butter, herbs, etc., may be added before heating, but do not salt vegetables until serving.
- · Cover dishes securely with plastic wrap.
- At the completion of heating, stir larger quantities of vegetables. Let stand, covered, for 2 to 3 minutes.

# To Operate:

Press Sensor Cook Pad and turn Sensor Menu Dial to select Vegetables, then Start.

# **Potatoes**

# (125 g - 1.0 kg by Sensor Cook) $\boxed{s}$

- Suitable for cooking root vegetables such as potatoes, sweet potatoes, pumpkin, onions, swede, carrots, turnip and beetroot.
- All vegetables should be trimmed or prepared and cut into even sized pieces.
- Add 1 tablespoon to ¼ cup of water to vegetables if dehydrated or a softer cooked texture is desired.
- Place into an appropriate size dish and cover securely with plastic wrap.
- If desired, butter, herbs etc. may be added but do not add salt until after cooking.
- During the cooking time, the oven will 'beep' and prompt you to stir/rearrange the vegetables.
- At the completion of cooking, stir larger quantities of vegetables. Let stand, covered, for 2 to 3 minutes.

# To Operate:

Press **Sensor Cook** Pad and turn **Sensor Menu** Dial to select **Potatoes**, then **Start**.

# RED COCONUT DHAL S

Serves: 4 to 6 Ingredients:

1 cup red lentils 1 teaspoon turmeric

400 ml can coconut milk

250 ml water

1 teaspoon crushed red chilli 1 teaspoon crushed garlic lemon juice to taste

#### Method:

Place all ingredients in a 2 litre casserole dish. Stir and cook on P7 for 18 to 20 minutes, stirring twice during cooking.

## To cook by Sensor Cook:

Prepare as above. Cover securely with plastic wrap. Refer to **Legumes** directions on page 57.

# CHICKPEA SALAD WITH CORIANDER DRESSING S

Serves: 4 to 6 Ingredients:

1 cup dried chickpeas, water for soaking

3 cups boiling water

1 red capsicum, diced
1 lebanese cucumber, diced
250 g cherry tomatoes, quartered
1 spanish onion, diced

**Coriander Dressing:** 

½ cup lemon juice 2 teaspoons sugar

½ cup chopped fresh coriander teaspoon chopped red chilli

Method:

Cover chickpeas with water and soak overnight.

Orain.

Place chickpeas and boiling water into a 3-litre dish and cook on P7 for 25 to 30 minutes.

# To cook by Sensor Cook:

Prepare as above. Cover securely with plastic wrap. Refer to **Legumes** directions on page 57.

Drain and allow to cool.

Combine remaining salad ingredients in a large bowl and mix well.

#### Dressing:

Combine all ingredients in a screw top jar, shake well. Pour over salad and toss well.

# LENTIL HOT POT S

Serves: 4 to 6 **Ingredients:** 

900 g New potatoes
2 onions, diced
2 carrots, diced
2 stalks celery, sliced
3 cloves garlic, crushed

1 teaspoon
415 g can diced tomatoes
1 cup vegetable stock
2 tablespoon
34 cup red lentils, washed
1/2 cup grated cheese

paprika

1 tablespoon chopped parsley

#### Method:

Wash potatoes and place onto a paper towel lined plate. Cook on Potatoes or P7 for 10 to 12 minutes. Set aside. Place onion, carrot, celery and garlic into a 3 litre dish. Cook on P7 for 8 minutes. Add curry powder and cook on P7 for a further 1 minute. Add tomatoes, stock, tomato paste and lentils. Cook on P7 for 20 to 24 minutes. Slice potatoes thickly and layer over the top of lentil mixture. Sprinkle with grated cheese, paprika and parsley. Cook on P10 for 4 to 6 minutes.

# To cook by Sensor Cook:

Prepare as above. Cover securely with plastic wrap. Refer to **Potatoes** directions on page 57.

# Hummus S

Ingredients:

1 cup chick peas, water for soaking

3 cups boiling water 2 tablespoons lemon juice 2 teaspoons turmeric

½ cup tahini ( sesame paste )

1 tablespoon minced garlic 2 tablespoons olive oil

#### Method:

Place chick peas and water into a 4-litre casserole dish and soak overnight. Drain.

Place chickpeas and boiling water into a 3-litre casserole dish and cook on P7 for 25 to 30 minutes. Drain. Process with remaining ingredients.

#### To cook by Sensor Cook:

Prepare as above. Cover securely with plastic wrap. Refer to **Legumes** directions on page 57.

# CHEESY MASHED POTATOES S

Serves: 4
Ingredients:

500 g potatoes, peeled and diced

¼ cup water
⅓ cup milk

½ cup grated cheese

Method:

Place potatoes and water in a 2-litre casserole dish. Cover and cook on P10 for 10 minutes.

To cook by Sensor Cook

Prepare as above. Cover securely with plastic wrap. Refer to **Potatoes** directions on page 57. Drain. Mash potatoes with potato masher. Add milk and grated cheese. Mix well. Cook on P10 for 1 minute. Stir well before serving.

# TOMATO VEGETABLE CASSEROLE

Serves: 4 to 6

Ingredients:

200 g mushrooms, sliced eggplant, chopped 200 g zucchini, sliced 1 capsicum, sliced onion, sliced 400 g can tomatoes tomato paste 1/2 cup 1 tablespoon chopped basil 1 teaspoon minced garlic

Method:

Place mushrooms, eggplant, zucchini, capsicum and onion in a 3-litre casserole dish. Cover. Cook on P10 for 6 minutes. Add tomatoes, tomato purée, herbs and garlic. Re-cover and cook on P10 for 6 to 8 minutes.

# HERBED VEGETABLES

Serves: 4 to 6 Ingredients:

200 g sliced snow peas 200 g sliced carrots 200 g sliced zucchini

2 tablespoons chopped fresh parsley

Method:

Place snow peas, carrots and zucchini in a 2-litre casserole dish. Cover. Cook on P10 for 5 to 7 minutes, stirring once during cooking. Sprinkle with parsley. Serve.

#### THAI VEGETABLE CURRY

Serves: 4
Ingredients:

1 onion, sliced 2 tablespoons green curry paste 3 cups sliced vegetables 440 g can chick peas, drained

1 cup coconut milk
1 tablespoon lemon juice
1 tablespoon soy sauce
1/2 cup chopped nuts

Method:

Place onion and curry paste in a 3-litre casserole dish. Cook on P10 for 2 minutes. Add vegetables, chick peas, coconut milk, lemon juice and soy sauce. Cook on P10 for 6 to 8 minutes. Sprinkle with chopped nuts. Serve with jasmine rice.

## HINT:

It is better to slightly undercook vegetables as they will soften on standing. Allow to stand, covered, with plastic wrap or a lid.

# CABBAGE HAM AND ONION S

Serves: 6

Ingredients:

500 g cabbage, shredded

2 tablespoons water

1 onion, finely chopped

1 tablespoon butter

125 g ham, finely chopped

salt and pepper

Method:

Place cabbage and water in a 3-litre casserole dish. Cover and cook on P10 for 8 to 10 minutes.

## To cook by Sensor Cook:

Prepare as above. Cover securely with plastic wrap. Refer to **Vegetables** directions on page 57. Drain and set aside. Place onion and butter in a 1-litre casserole dish and cook on P10 for 2 to 3 minutes. Add onion mixture and ham to cabbage and mix well. Return to oven and cook on P10 for 2 to 3 minutes. Season with salt and pepper. Serve.



Ardennis Style Potatoes

# CREAMED SPINACH S

Serves: 4

Ingredients:

bunch spinach, roughly chopped
 green onions, finely chopped
 clove garlic, crushed

2 tablespoons sour cream salt and pepper

#### Method:

Cook washed spinach leaves, green onions and garlic in a covered 3-litre casserole dish on P10 for 5 to 7 minutes.

# To cook by Sensor Cook:

Prepare as above. Cover securely with plastic wrap. Refer to **Vegetables** directions on page 57. Drain well by squeezing between two dinner plates. Stir through sour cream. Season to taste. Cook on P10 for 1 to 2 minutes. Serve.

# ARDENNIS STYLE POTATOES S

Serves: 4 Ingredients:

4 medium sized potatoes 100 g ham, finely diced 3 tablespoons snipped chives

50 g butter

½ cup grated Cheddar cheese ground black pepper

#### Method:

Scrub potatoes, wash and pat dry with paper towel. Prick skins and place in a 2-litre casserole dish. Cook on P10 for 6 to 8 minutes

#### To cook by Sensor Cook:

Prepare as above. Cover securely with plastic wrap. Refer to **Potatoes** directions on page 57.

Allow to cool slightly. Cut tops off potatoes and scoop out pulp from centre, leaving 1 to 2 cm in shell. Mash pulp and combine with remaining ingredients. Spoon filling back into potato shells. Place potatoes in 2-litre casserole dish. Cook on P10 for 2 to 3 minutes.

# CAULIFLOWER AU GRATIN S

Serves: 4
Ingredients:

500 g trimmed cauliflower

and cut into pieces

2 tablespoons water 2 tablespoons butter

1 small onion, finely chopped

2 tablespoons flour 1 cup milk

½ cup grated tasty cheese

#### Method:

Place cauliflower and water in a shallow casserole dish. Cover and cook on P10 for 6 to 8 minutes.

# To cook by Sensor Cook:

Prepare as above. Cover securely with plastic wrap. Refer to **Potatoes** directions on page 57. Stand, covered, while making sauce. Place butter and onion in 4-cup glass jug. Cook on P10 for 1 to 2 minutes. Stir in flour and cook on P10 for 1 minute. Add milk gradually. Stir well. Cook on P10 for 2 to 3 minutes, stirring halfway through cooking. Drain cauliflower and pour over sauce. Sprinkle with cheese. Cook on P7 for 1 to 2 minutes.

**Note:** Depending on size and arrangement of cauliflower pieces, timing will vary.

#### HINT:

TO SKIN TOMATOES: Cut a cross into the tomato skin. Place 1 cup of hot tap water in a 2 cup jug or bowl and heat on P10 for 1½ minutes or until boiling. Add 1 tomato and heat for a further 20 to 30 seconds. Remove and repeat procedure with remaining tomatoes. The skin will loosen and can be easily removed.

# POTATO CASSEROLE G

Serves: 4 to 6 Ingredients:

750 g sliced potatoes
1 cup sour cream

<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> cup milk

3 green onions, sliced2 bacon rashers, chopped

<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> cup grated cheese

#### Method:

In a 2-litre dish place potatoes, sour cream and milk. Place into oven and cook on Combination 1 for 30 to 35 minutes. Top with green onions, bacon and cheese. Cook on Grill 1 for 10 minutes.

# To Cook by Microwave:

Cover and cook on P10 for 18 to 20 minutes. Stand covered for 5 to 10 minutes before serving.

# SAVOURY BRUSSELS SPROUTS S

Serves: 4
Ingredients:

250 g brussels sprouts

2 tablespoons butter

150 g bacon, finely chopped onion, finely chopped

1 teaspoon dill or basil 1 teaspoon sugar

#### Method:

Wash and drain brussels sprouts. Cook in a covered 2-litre casserole dish on P10 for 4 to 5 minutes.

# To cook by Sensor Cook:

Prepare as above. Cover securely with plastic wrap. Refer to **Vegetable** directions on page 57.

Drain and set aside. Place remaining ingredients in separate 1-litre casserole dish. Cook on P10 for 3 to 5 minutes. Add brussels sprouts and cook on P10 for 1 to 2 minutes. Serve.

#### VEGETABLE FRITTATA

Serves: 4 to 6 Ingredients:

400 g potatoes, thinly sliced

½ red capsicum, sliced into strips ½ green capsicum, sliced into strips

1 tomato, diced 2 tablespoons fresh basil, chopped

2 tablespoons fresh basil, chopped eggs

⅓ cup sour cream ½ teaspoon cracked black r

½ teaspoon cracked black pepper grated tasty cheese

# Method:

Place potatoes in a 2-litre shallow dish. Cook on P10 for 5 to 7 minutes. Arrange capsicum in a circular pattern on top of potato sprinkle with tomato and basil. Beat together eggs and sour cream in a jug. Pour over vegetables. Cook on P6 for 3 to 5 minutes. Sprinkle with pepper and cheese and cook on P6 for 7 to 9 minutes.

# PARMESAN ASPARAGUS

Serves: 2 to 4 Ingredients:

bunch of asparagus spears

2 tablespoons water 1 tablespoon butter

1 clove garlic, crushed 1 tablespoon grated Parmesan cheese

#### Method:

Place asparagus and water in a 2-litre casserole dish. Cover and cook on P10 for 1 to 2 minutes. Drain. Place butter and garlic in a small dish and cook on P10 for 1 minute. Add drained asparagus and mix lightly. Cook on P10 for a further 1 minute. Sprinkle Parmesan cheese over asparagus. Serve.

# HONEY GLAZED CARROTS AND SUGAR SNAP

Serves: 4 to 6

Ingredients: 350 g carrots

350 g carrots (approximately 4) 150 g sugar snap peas, trimmed

2 tablespoons brown sugar 2 teaspoons butter 2 tablespoons honey

1 tablespoon toasted sesame seeds

## Method:

Peel and thinly slice carrots. Combine all ingredients in a 2-litre casserole dish. Cover and cook on P10 for 6 to 8 minutes, stirring halfway through cooking. Serve.

#### To cook by Sensor Cook:

Prepare as above. Cover securely with plastic wrap. Refer to **Vegetable** directions on page 57.

# Vegetable Bake G

Serves: 4 to 6

# Ingredients:

250 g cauliflower, cut into small pieces 250 g broccoli, cut into small pieces

3 carrots, sliced

<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> cup water

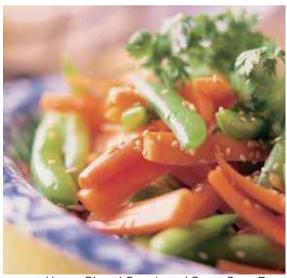
<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> cup cottage cheese

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1/2 teaspoon lemon pepper 1/2 teaspoon seasoned herbs 1/2 cup grated tasty cheese

#### Method:

Place vegetables and water in a 3-litre casserole dish. Cover and cook on P10 for 8 to 10 minutes. Drain well. Place remaining ingredients except tasty cheese in a bowl and mix well. Pour over vegetables. Cook on P7 for 12 to 14 minutes. Sprinkle with tasty cheese. Place into oven and cook on Grill 1 for 5 to 10 minutes



Honey Glazed Carrots and Sugar Snap Peas

# **Cooking Rice by Micro power**

Follow directions in chart for recommended dish size, amounts of water and cooking time. Add rice to water. Add salt and butter according to package directions. Cook on P10 for time recommended in

chart. Allow to stand, covered, before serving. For special rice, substitute beef or chicken stock for water. Add cooked onion, mushrooms or crumbled bacon before serving.

ITEM	CONTAINER	AMOUNT OF WATER	APPROX. TIME TO COOK RICE on P10 UNCOVERED (in minutes)	STANDING TIME (in minutes)
RICE				
Quick Cook Brown (1 cup)	2-litre dish	1⅓ cups	10 to 12	5
Brown (1 cup)	3-litre dish	3 cups	25 to 30	10
Long Grain (1 cup)	2-litre dish	2 cups	12 to 14	5
Short Grain (1 cup)	2-litre dish	2 cups	12 to 14	5
Jasmine (1 cup)	3-litre dish	2 cups	12 to 14	5

# COOKING RICE BY SENSOR COOK

(1 cup - 2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> cup) S

- Suitable for cooking short and long grain rice including specialty rices.
- It is not suitable for cooking brown rice or wild rice.
- Place rice with water at room temperature in a suitable dish. We recommend the following proportions of rice to cold tap water:

Rice	Water	Dish Size
1 cup	1½ cups	3 litre
1½ cups	2½ cups	3 litre
2 cups	3½ cups	4.5 litre
2½ cups	4½ cups	4.5 litre

It may be necessary to adjust the water to your personal preference.

- Using a large size dish will prevent the rice from boiling over.
- Do not cook rice in plastic dishes as incorrect cooking times may result.
- · Cover securely with plastic wrap.
- During cooking, the oven will 'beep' and instruct you to stir and 'remove cover'. Remove the plastic wrap or lid and stir. There is no need to cover the rice again.
- At the completion of the cooking time, let stand 5 to 10 minutes.

# To Operate:

Press **Sensor Cook** Pad and turn **Sensor Menu** Dial to select **Rice**, then **Start**.

# FRAGRANT COCONUT RICE S

Serves: 4 to 6

## Ingredients:

1 onion, chopped 2 cups long grain rice 500 ml chicken stock 400 ml coconut milk 1 teaspoon turmeric

# Method:

Place all ingredients in a 3-litre casserole dish. Stir. Cook on P10 for 15 to 18 minutes. Cover and let stand 10 minutes before serving.

#### To cook by Sensor Cook:

Prepare as above. Cover securely with plastic wrap. Refer to **Rice** directions on this page. When oven beeps, remove plastic wrap, stir.

#### SEASONED RICE S

Serves: 4 to 6

# Ingredients:

1 onion, chopped 1 cup long grain rice 1 teaspoon thyme 1½ cups chicken stock

½ cup toasted slivered almonds

# Method:

Place onion, rice, thyme and chicken stock in a 3-litre casserole dish. Cook on P10 for 14 to 16 minutes. Stir, cover, and let stand for 10 minutes. Stir through slivered almonds and serve hot.

# To cook by Sensor Cook:

Prepare as above. Cover securely with plastic wrap. Refer to **Rice** directions on this page. When oven beeps, remove plastic wrap.

#### **PAELLA**

Serves: 6 to 8 Ingredients:

500 g mussels ½ cup water

1 green capsicum, sliced 1 red capsicum, sliced

onion, slicedclove garlic, crushed

2 tablespoons butter

2 cups long grain rice

400 g can chopped tomatoes 2 cups hot chicken stock pinch saffron powder

1½ cups cooked diced chicken peeled green prawns

#### Method:

Place mussels and water in a 3-litre dish. Cover and cook on P7 for 3 to 5 minutes. Set aside. Place capsicum, onion, garlic and butter into 4-litre dish and cook on P10 for 4 to 5 minutes. Add rice and stir well. Cook on P10 for 2 to 4 minutes. Stir in tomatoes, hot chicken stock and saffron. Cook on P10 for 16 to 18 minutes. Stir in chicken, prawns and mussels. Cook on P7 for 4 to 6 minutes. Stand for 10 minutes before serving.

# SALMON KEDGEREE

Serves 4

## Ingredients:

1 cup basmati rice
1½ cups water
60 g butter
1 onion, diced
2 tablespoons lemon juice

4 hard boiled eggs, quartered 400 g can salmon, drained and flaked

salt and pepper parsley, chopped

#### Method:

Place rice and water in a 2 litre casserole dish. Cook on P7 for 12 minutes.

In a separate dish, melt butter on P10 for 1 minute. Add onion and cook on P10 for 1 to 2 minutes. Add curry powder and lemon juice, stir until well combined. Add rice and mix well to coat all the rice grains. Chop half the eggs roughly and stir through the rice with the salmon. Season. Heat on P10 for 3 to 4 minutes. Serve garnished with remaining egg and chopped parsley

#### FRIED RICE

Serves: 4
Ingredients:

1 tablespoon sesame oil

1 clove garlic, crushed 1 cm piece of green ginger,

finely chopped

1 small carrot, finely chopped

1 stick celery, sliced green or red capsicum,

cut in strips

2 eggs

4 green onions, chopped

black pepper small can prawns

1 tablespoon soy sauce cooked rice

#### Method:

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Place oil, garlic and ginger in a large shallow dish and cook on P10 for 30 to 40 seconds. Add carrot, celery and capsicum. Cook a further 2 minutes on P10. Break eggs into a small dish, add pepper to taste, mix well and cook on P7 for 1 to 1½ minutes. Slice into thin strips. Add eggs plus all remaining ingredients to vegetable mixture. Stir well and cook on P10 for 3 to 5 minutes to heat thoroughly. Serve.

#### Notes:

- 1. 1 cup uncooked rice will yield 2 cups cooked rice.
- Cooked rice can be cooked using Sensor Cook functions.

# **CHICKEN RISOTTO**

Serves: 4

#### Ingredients:

1 onion, sliced 2 cups short grain rice 1 teaspoon dried oregano 1 teaspoon cracked black pepper

4 cups chicken stock

1/4 green capsicum, sliced
1/4 red capsicum, sliced
200 g mushrooms, sliced

½ cup frozen peas

2 cooked chicken breast fillets,

sliced

½ cup grated parmesan cheese

#### Method:

Place onion, rice, oregano, pepper and chicken stock into a 4-litre dish. Cook on P10 for 17 to 19 minutes. Add remaining ingredients, stir well and cook on P10 for 4 minutes. Serve.

#### HINT:

TO REHEAT 2 CUPS OF COOKED RICE: Add 1 to 2 tablespoons of water or a knob of butter and cook on P10 for 2 to 3 minutes.

### COOKING RISOTTO BY SENSOR COOK

(1/2 cup - 3 cup) S

- Suitable for cooking many basic risotto recipes and variations.
- Onions and garlic should be pre-cooked with 1 tablespoon of oil before adding rice and stock.
- Follow general directions in chart below for quantities of rice and amounts of stock.
- · Always use arborio rice or shortgrain rice.
- Chicken, vegetable, beef or fish stock may be used.
- Stock should be boiling when added to rice otherwise cooking times may be incorrect.
- · Cover dish securely with plastic wrap at stage 1.
- During the cooking time the oven will beep and instruct you to add liquid/stir. Remove plastic wrap completely from dish. Add remaining stock. There is no need to re-cover for stage 2.
- At the end of stage 2 add grated parmesan cheese, stir through and cook for 2 to 4 minutes on P10.
- Standing time may be required at the end to allow risotto to finish cooking.

# To Operate:

Press **Sensor Cook** Pad and turn **Sensor Menu** Dial to select **Risotto**, then *Start*.

#### **BASIC RISOTTO RECIPE**

Serves 4

#### Ingredients:

1 tablespoon olive oil onion, diced

1 clove garlic, crushed

1½ cups Arborio rice 4 cups boiling stock

½ cup grated Parmesan cheese.

#### Method

Pre-Cook:

Place oil, onion and garlic in a 3-litre ceramic dish. Cook on P10 for 1 to 2 minutes or until softened.

#### Stage 1:

Add rice and 2 cups of boiling stock to dish. Cover dish securely with plastic wrap. Press **Sensor Cook** Pad and turn **Sensor Menu** Dial to select **Risotto**, then **Start**.

## Stage 2:

When oven beeps, remove plastic and stir in remaining stock.

**Note:** other ingredients may be added at this stage. eg. vegetables, cooked meats etc. Return to oven and press start.

# Stage 3:

At the end of cooking time, stir in grated Parmesan cheese and cook on for 2 to 4 minutes or until melted.

# **General Quantities For Cooking Risotto**

	Pre cook	Stage 1		Stage 2	Stage 3
	P 10 for 1 to 2 min. (all quantities)	Rice	Boiling Stock	Boiling Stock	P 10 for 2 to 4 min.
2 serves	½ onion 1 clove garlic 1 tablsp. Oil	¾ cup	250 ml	250 ml	2 tablespoons parmesan
4 serves	1 onion 2 cloves garlic 2 tablsp. Oil	1½ cup	500 ml	500 ml	½ cup parmesan
6 serves	2 onions 3 cloves garlic 3 tablsp. Oil	21/4 cup	750 ml	750 ml	⅓ cup parmesan

# **Cooking Pasta by Micro Power**

Follow directions in chart for recommended dish size. Test pasta for desired cooking before adding more amount of water and cooking time. Boil water, with 1 teaspoon salt and 1 tablespoon oil. Add pasta and cook for time recommended in chart. Cook on P10.

time. Slightly undercook pasta that will be heated again in casserole. Stir and let stand, uncovered, 5 minutes.

ITEM	CONTAINER	AMOUNT OF BOILING WATER	APPROX. TIME TO COOK PASTA on P10 UNCOVERED (in minutes)	STANDING TIME (in minutes)
Dried Fettuccine (250 g)	4-litre dish	6 cups	10 to 12	5
Elbow Macaroni, shells, etc. (250 g)	3-litre dish	4 cups	12 to 14	5
Fresh Spaghetti, Fettuccine (375 g)	4-litre dish	6 cups	6 to 8	5
Dried Spaghetti (250 g)	4-litre dish	4 cups	12 to 14	5
Fresh Tortellini, Ravioli (250 g)	4-litre dish	4 cups	7 to 9	5
Fresh Gnocchi (375 g)	4-litre dish	6 cups	6 to 8	5

# COOKING PASTA BY SENSOR COOK S

# Fresh Pasta (125 g - 625 g)

- Suitable for cooking fresh pasta such as fettuccine. tagliatelle, tortellini, ravioli and agnolotti. (Gnocchi should be cooked by manual MICRO POWER.)
- · Place pasta in an appropriate size dish with boiling water. Use the above chart as a guide:

Pasta	Boiling Water	Dish Size
150 g	4 cups	3 litre
250 g	5 cups	3 litre
350 g	6 cups	4 litre
500 g	8 cups	4 litre
<b>625</b> g	8 cups	5 litre

Add 1 tablespoon of oil, if desired, before cooking to prevent pasta from sticking together.

- Cover dish securely with plastic wrap.
- Halfway through the cooking time, the oven will 'beep' and instruct you to 'Stir/Remove Cover'. Remove plastic wrap and stir.
- At the end of the cooking time, cover and let stand for 5 to 10 minutes, if required, before draining.

# To Operate:

Press Sensor Cook Pad and turn Sensor Menu Dial to select Fresh Pasta, then Start.

# **Dried Pasta (125 g - 500 g)**

- · Suitable for cooking dried pasta such as spaghetti, fettuccine, macaroni, penne, spiral and various pasta shapes.
- · Place pasta in an appropriate size dish with boiling water. Use the following as a guide:

Pasta	Boiling Water	Dish Size
150 g	4 cups	3 litre
250 g	5 cups	3 litre
350 g	6 cups	4 litre
500 g	8 cups	4 litre

Add 1 tablespoon of oil, if desired, before cooking to prevent pasta from sticking together.

- · Cover securely with plastic wrap.
- Halfway through the cooking time, the oven will 'beep' and instruct you to 'Stir/Remove Cover'. Remove plastic wrap and stir.
- At the end of the cooking time, cover and let stand for 5 to 10 minutes, if required, before draining.

#### To Operate:

Press Sensor Cook Pad and turn Sensor Menu Dial to select Dried Pasta, then Start.

# VEGETABLE TORTELLINI

Serves: 3 to 4 Ingredients:

fresh tortellini 700 g 8 cups boiling water

Sauce:

2 tablespoons butter 2 tablespoons flour 2 cups milk red capsicum, finely sliced 1

200 g snow peas, finely sliced 1 teaspoon dried marjoram 1 teaspoon cracked black pepper grated tasty cheese 1 cup 2 tablespoons Parmesan cheese 2 tablespoons chopped parsley

#### Method:

Place pasta and water in a 4-litre casserole dish. Cover. Cook on P10 for 12 to14 minutes. While pasta is cooking, prepare all ingredients for sauce. When pasta is cooked, allow to stand covered, Drain well. Place butter and flour in a 3-litre casserole dish and cook on P10 for 30 to 40 seconds. Slowly blend in milk. Cook for a further 3 to 4 minutes. Stir once during cooking. Add prepared vegetables, marjoram, pepper and cheese. Cook on P10 for 2 minutes. Drain pasta and mix through sauce. Serve topped with Parmesan cheese and chopped parsley.

#### PENNE PUTTANESCA

Serves: 4
Ingredients:

500 g Penne Pasta 2 litres boiling water 1 tablespoon olive oil

3 cloves garlic, crushed dried chilli flakes

1 kg (approx 5) tomatoes, roughly chopped kalamata olives, pitted anchovy fillets, drained and

chopped

⅓ cup capers, drained and rinsed
 ⅓ cup flat leaf parsley, chopped
 2 tablespoons finely shredded basil leaves

#### Method:

Place pasta and boiling water into a 4-litre dish. Stir and cook on P10 for 12 to 14 minutes or until tender. Drain and set aside. Place oi and garlic into a 2 litre dish and cook on P10 for 1 minutes. Stir in chilli and tomatoes. Cover and cook and P10 for 5 minutes, stir halfway through cooking. Add remaining ingredients and cook on P10 for a further 10 minutes or until tomatoes break down and sauce has thickened. Stir sauce into pasta. Cover and cook on P10 for 2 to 3 minutes to heat through. Season and serve topped with extra basil leaves or parsley.

# CREAMY SUN-DRIED TOMATO PENNE S

Serves: 4

# Ingredients:

250 g penne 6 cups boiling water

½ cup sun-dried tamatoes in oil, drained

1 cup basil leaves ½ cup toasted pinenuts

⅓ cup grated parmesan cheese 300 ml cream

½ cup sliced ham

½ cup grated parmesan cheese, extra

#### Method:

Place pasta and water in a 4-litre casserole dish. Cook on P10 for 14 to 16 minutes, or cook by Sensor Cook. While pasta is cooking, prepare sauce. Place all ingredients except ham and extra parmesan cheese into a blender. Process until smooth. Drain pasta and add sauce. Serve topped with ham and extra parmesan cheese.

# To cook by Sensor Cook:

Prepare as above. Cover securely with plastic wrap. Refer to **Dried Pasta** directions on page 65.

#### Tip

To toast ¼ cup pinenuts place into a small bowl. Cook on P10 for 3 to 4 minutes, stirring every minute.



Pesto and Fettucine

# PESTO AND FETTUCINE S

Serves: 6 to 8

Ingredients:

6 cups boiling water 250 g fettucine

2 cloves garlic, crushed
½ cup chopped fresh basil leaves
1 tablespoon
½ cup grated Parmesan cheese

1 cup olive oil

salt and black pepper

## Method:

Place water in a 3-litre casserole dish. Add fettucine. Cook on P10 for 14 to 16 minutes. Mix together garlic, basil, nuts and cheese, or cook **by Sensor Cook**. Gradually pour in olive oil, stirring constantly. Season and stir through drained fettucine. **Tip:** Olive oil may be added to the sauce by placing

all ingredients into a food processor and pouring through the opening in a constant fine stream.

#### To cook by Sensor Cook:

Prepare as above. Cover securely with plastic wrap. Refer to **Fresh Pasta** directions on page 65.

# CREAMY TUNA PENNE S

Serves: 4

Ingredients:

250 g Penne 4 cups boiling water

1 medium onion, diced
2 cups mixed sliced vegetables
1 (240 g) can tuna, reserve liquid
2 tablespoons
Parmesan cheese

2 tablespoons Parmesan cheese dried thyme

1 tablespoon dried thyme 1 tablespoon lemon juice ½ cup sour cream

cracked black pepper

#### Method:

Place Penne and water in a large casserole dish. Cook on P10 for 10 to 14 minutes, or cook **by Sensor Cook**. Stand, covered, for 2 minutes. Drain. Place onion in a 4 cup jug. Cook on P10 for 50 to 60 seconds. Add mixed vegetables. Cook on P10 for 2 to 3 minutes. Stir in tuna and reserved liquid, add remaining ingredients and stir until combined. Cook on P7 for 2 to 3 minutes. Place pasta in a serving bowl and pour over sauce to serve.

# To cook by Sensor Cook:

Prepare as above. Cover securely with plastic wrap. Refer to **Fresh Pasta** directions on page 65.

# **Cooking Dried Noodles by Micro Power**

Follow directions in chart recommended dish size, amount of water and cooking time. Add 1 tablespoon of oil to water to prevent noodles from sticking together. Add noodles and cook for time recommended in chart. Cook noodles on P10. Test

## CREAMY BACON SAUCE

Makes: Approximately 300 ml

Ingredients:

1 onion, chopped

3 bacon rashers, chopped

1 teaspoon minced garlic 300 ml cream

½ cup Parmesan cheese

pepper

2 tablespoons chopped fresh parsley

½ cup chicken stock

#### Method:

Place onion, bacon and garlic in a 2-litre casserole dish. Cook on P10 for 4 to 5 minutes. Add cream, Parmesan cheese, pepper, parsley and stock. Mix well. Cook on P10 for 3 to 4 minutes. Serve with cooked Fettuccine.

noodles for desired cooking before adding extra time. Slightly undercook noodles that will be cooked again in a stir-fry or recipe. Always drain noodles immediately after cooking or they may overcook on standing.

ITEM	CONTAINER	AMOUNT OF BOILING WATER	APPROX. TIME TO COOK NOODLES on P10 UNCOVERED (in minutes)	INSTRUCTION
2 minutes noodles (85 g)	1-litre	500 ml	2 to 3	drain immediately
Long Life Asian Noodles (250 g)	3-litre	1 litre	5 to 6	drain immediately
Rice Vermicelli (125 g)	2-litre	1 litre	3 to 4	drain immediately

# COOKING FRESH NOODLES BY SENSOR COOK (150 g - 800 g) S

- Suitable for cooking fresh noodles such as Hokkien, Singapore, Udon, Soba, Rice noodles.
- Place noodles and boiling water as recommended in chart below in a suitable size dish.
- · Cover securely with plastic wrap.
- The oven will beep during the cooking time and instruct you to "stir/remove cover". There is no need to re-cover noodles.
- At the end of cooking time, drain and use as required.

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Noodles	Boiling Water	Dish Size
200 g	½ cup	1.5-litre
350 g	½ cup	2-litre
500 g	½ cup	2.5-litre
800 g	½ cup	2.5-litre

#### To Operate:

Press **Sensor Cook** Pad and turn **Sensor Menu** Dial to select **Noodles**, then **Start**.

# HONEY SOY CHICKEN AND NOODLES S

Serves: 4
Ingredients:

500 g chicken fillets, sliced

1/4 cup soy sauce 2 tablespoons honey 2 teaspoons minced garlic

2 cups finely sliced vegetables

400 g udon noodles ½ cup boiling water

#### Method:

Combine chicken, soy, honey and garlic in a 2-litre bowl marinate for 30 minutes. Cook chicken on P7 for 4 to 5 minutes, stirring once during cooking. Add vegetables and cook on P10 for 2 to 3 minutes. Place noodles and water in a bowl cover with plastic wrap cook on P7 for 1 to 2 minutes. Drain. Toss noodles in with chicken mixture and serve.

# To cook by Sensor Cook:

Prepare as above. Cover securely with plastic wrap. Refer to **Noodles** directions on page 67.

# TERIYAKI TOFU VEGETABLE NOODLES

Serves: 4 Ingredients:

1 tablespoon sesame oil 350 g firm tofu, diced 1 onion, cut into petals 300 g stir fry vegetables 1 tablespoon hoisin sauce 1 tablespoon teriyaki sauce 85 g 2 minute noodles 2 cups boiling water

#### Method:

Place oil, tofu and onion in a 3-litre dish and cook on P10 for 2 to 3 minutes. Add vegetables and sauces and cook on P10 for 3 to 4 minutes, stirring once during cooking. Place noodles and water in a 2-litre bowl and cook on P10 for 2 minutes. Stir and drain. Toss noodles through tofu and vegetables and serve.

# SZECHUAN SALAD NOODLES S

Ingredients:

350 g fresh Hokkien noodles

½ cup boiling water

250 g cooked chicken, shredded 7½ cup roasted cashew nuts

Dressing:

4 green onions, finely sliced

2 tablespoons chopped coriander

2 cloves garlic, minced 2 tablespoons smooth peanut butter 2 tablespoons sweet chilli sauce

1 tablespoons soy sauce
1 tablespoon sweet sherry
2 teaspoons sesame oil
2 tablespoons olive oil
2 tablespoons chicken stock

10 toasted szechuan peppercorns,

ground

#### Method:

Place noodles in a bowl with the boiling water. Cook on P7 for 1 to 2 minutes. Drain and rinse under cold water. Drain well. Combine all dressing ingredients and whisk well. Combine noodles, chicken and cashew nuts and pour over dressing. Toss well to combine. Serve immediately.

## To cook by Sensor Cook:

Prepare as above. Cover securely with plastic wrap. Refer to **Noodles** directions on page 67.

# SATAY BEEF WITH NOODLES S

Serves: 4

Ingredients:

500 g rump steak, sliced
1 onion, sliced
1 teaspoon crushed garlic

½ cup crunchy peanut butter
¼ cup sweet chilli sauce
⅓ cup coconut milk
2 tablespoons lemon juice
1 teaspoon sugar

500 g fresh Singapore noodles

½ cup boiling water 2 green onions, sliced

#### Method:

Place steak, onion and garlic in a 3-litre casserole dish cook on P10 for 2 to  $2^{1}/_{2}$  minutes. Add remaining ingredients except green onions and noodles and stir until combined. Cook on P10 for 6 to 8 minutes. Stirring halfway through cooking. Place noodles with water in a 2.5-litre dish cover and cook on P7 for 2 to 3 minutes. Drain and rinse under cold water. Drain well. Toss beef mixture through noodles and top with green onions.

# To cook by Sensor Cook:

Prepare as above. Cover securely with plastic wrap. Refer to **Noodles** directions on page 67.

## **COOKING DESSERTS BY SENSOR COOK**

(375 g - 1.5 kg) S

Your oven allows you to cook many desserts automatically. Please follow these general instructions:

- Place prepared desserts in a suitable size dish (approx. ¾ full).
- Do not use plastic dishes as incorrect cooking times may result.
- · Cover securely with plastic wrap.
- During the cooking time, the oven will 'beep' and instruct you to 'REMOVE COVER'.
- Allow cooked desserts to stand for 10 minutes at the completion of cooking.

## To Operate:

Press Sensor Cook Pad and turn Sensor Menu Dial to select **Desserts**, then **Start**.

# APRICOT and RASPBERRY CRISP S

Serves: 4 to 6 Ingredients:

1 (850 g) can apricots, drained 300 g frozen raspberries 1 cup plain flour

½ cup plain flour
½ cup brown sugar
1 teaspoon cinnamon

1 cup pecans, chopped 1 cup shredded coconut 2 cups toasted muesli

125 g butter

#### Method:

Place apricots and raspberries in the base of a 2-litre casserole dish. Place remaining ingredients (except butter) in a mixing bowl. Melt butter in a 2-cup jug on P10 for 40 to 50 seconds. Combine melted butter with dry ingredients and mix well. Crumble mixture over top of fruit. Cook on P10 for 10 to 12 minutes.

# To cook by Sensor Cook:

Prepare as above. Cover securely with plastic wrap. Refer to **Desserts** directions on this page.

# STEAMED JAM PUDDING S

Serves: 4

Ingredients:

2 tablespoons jam 100 g butter ½ cup caster sugar 2 eggs

3/4 cup self raising flour

½ cup milk

# Method:

Spoon jam into bottom of a 2-litre pudding bowl. Cream butter and sugar in a separate bowl until light and fluffy. Add eggs (one at a time), beating well after each addition. Fold in flour alternately with milk. Mix until well combined. Pour mixture over jam. Smooth top and cook on P10 for 6 to 7 minutes. Let stand, covered, for 5 minutes before serving.

#### To cook by Sensor Cook:

Prepare as above. Cover securely with plastic wrap. Refer to **Desserts** directions on this page.

# APPLE CRUMBLE S

Serves: 4

# Ingredients:

 $\begin{array}{ll} 1 \ (780 \ \mathrm{g}) & \text{can pie apples} \\ \frac{1}{2} \ \mathrm{cup} & \text{rolled oats} \\ \frac{1}{4} \ \mathrm{cup} & \text{plain flour} \end{array}$ 

½ cup desiccated coconut ½ cup brown sugar 1 teaspoon cinnamon 60 g butter

#### Method:

Place apples in the base of a 1-litre casserole dish. Place remaining ingredients (except butter) in mixing bowl. Melt butter in 2-cup jug on P10 for 40 to 60 seconds. Combine melted butter with dry ingredients and mix well. Spread evenly over apples. Cook on P10 for 5 to 8 minutes.

# To cook by Sensor Cook:

Prepare as above. Cover securely with plastic wrap. Refer to **Desserts** directions on this page.

# PEACH CRUMBLE S

Serves: 6 to 8

# Ingredients:

125 g butter 1 cup flour

½ cupcaster sugar2 cupstoasted muesli1 cupshredded coconut

1 teaspoon cinnamon

1 (810 g) can peach slices, drained

# Method:

Place butter in a 2-litre jug. Cook on P7 for 1 minute. Add flour, sugar, muesli, coconut and cinnamon, stir until combined. Place peaches into a 2-litre casserole dish. Place crumble mixture on top of peaches and cook on P10 for 10 to 12 minutes. Serve with cream or ice cream.

# To cook by Sensor Cook:

Prepare as above. Cover securely with plastic wrap. Refer to **Desserts** directions on this page.

# APRICOT COBBLER S

Serves: 4 to 6

# Ingredients:

1 (810 g) can apricot halves, drained 1 packet butter cake mix ½ cup toasted coconut 70 g butter, melted

#### Method:

Arrange apricot halves on the base of 20 cm casserole dish. Combine cake mix, toasted coconut and butter. Sprinkle cake mixture over peaches. Cook on P10 for 6 to 8 minutes.

# To cook by Sensor Cook:

Prepare as above. Cover securely with plastic wrap. Refer to **Desserts** directions on this page.

# BUTTERSCOTCH PUDDING S

Serves: 4 to 6 **Ingredients:** 

1 (400 g) can sweetened condensed milk

30 g butter

1 teaspoon vanilla essence

½ cup milk

3/4 cup self raising flour, sifted

1 cup brown sugar ½ cup hot tap water

#### Method:

Place condensed milk in a 3-litre casserole dish. Cook on P5 for 5 to 6 minutes, stirring twice during cooking. Stir in butter, vanilla essence and milk. Stir until butter is melted. Cool slightly. Add milk mixture to sifted flour. Mix well. Pour mixture into a 2-litre casserole dish. Sprinkle top with brown sugar and gently pour hot tap water over mixture. Cook on P10 for 5 to 7 minutes.

## To cook by Sensor Cook:

Prepare as above. Cover securely with plastic wrap. Refer to **Desserts** directions on page 69.

# BREAD AND BUTTER PUDDING MC

Serves: 4 to 6

Ingredients:

⅓ cup sultanas ¼ cup rum

70 g butter, softened

10 slices fruit loaf
4 eggs
1½ cups milk
300 ml cream
1½ cup brown sugar

#### Method:

Grease a 1.5-litre shallow microwave oven safe dish. Combine sultanas and rum in a small bowl. Heat on P10 for 1 minute. Set aside. Butter both sides of all bread slices. Remove the crusts and cut into triangles. Beat together eggs, milk, cream, add liquid from drained sultanas. Laver one third of the bread evenly over the base of the 1.5-litre microwave-safe dish. Sprinkle with half the sultanas and one third of the brown sugar. Repeat with another layer of bread. sultanas and brown sugar and top with the remaining bread. Pour about two thirds of the egg mixture over the bread and allow to stand for 20 minutes until the liquid is absorbed. Pour over the remaining egg mixture and sprinkle with brown sugar. Place on wire rack set on glass tray. Cook on Combination 3 power for 20 to 25 minutes. Allow to stand for 10 minutes before serving with cream or ice cream.

# CHOCOLATE SELF SAUCING PUDDING S

Serves: 4 Ingredients:

1 cup self raising flour 1 tablespoon cocoa powder 1/3 cup caster sugar

½ cup milk

1 teaspoon vanilla essence
100 g chocolate
30 g butter
34 cup brown sugar
2 tablespoons cocoa, extra
34 cup water

#### Method:

Sift flour and cocoa into a 2-litre bowl. Add sugar, milk and vanilla essence. Mix well. Place chocolate and butter in a 2-cup pyrex jug and cook on P7 for 1 to 1½ minutes. Stir and add to mixture. Mix well. Spread mixture into base of a 2-litre casserole dish. Combine brown sugar, cocoa and water in 2-cup jug. Pour evenly over pudding. Cook on P10 for 4 to 6 minutes.

# To cook by Sensor Cook:

Prepare as above. Cover securely with plastic wrap. Refer to **Desserts** directions on page 69.

## BAKED CUSTARD

Serves: 4 to 5

Ingredients: 425 ml milk

3 eggs, lightly beaten

1/4 cup sugar

1 teaspoon vanilla essence

pinch ground nutmeg

### Method:

Place milk in a 4-cup glass jug. Cook on P10 for 2 minutes. Add eggs, sugar and vanilla to milk, whisking all the time. Strain mixture into a 20 cm round dish, sprinkle with nutmeg. Cook on P4 for 15 to 17 minutes. Allow to stand, covered, for 5 minutes before serving.

Cakes, Desserts and slices can successfully be cooked in the microwave oven if a few simple rules are followed see individual recipes for instructions.

# COOKING CAKES BY MICRO POWER

- The texture of cakes cooked in the microwave oven is not the same as cakes cooked in a conventional oven, but it is a convenient way of cooking cakes.
- Do not use metal cake tins, plastic dishes and pyrex, give the best results when cooking cakes.
   Grease the dish and line with paper towel or bake paper to absorb excess moisture.
- Round or oval shaped dishes produce the most even cooking results. Square cakes may need the corners shielded with foil to prevent overcooking.
- Choose light coloured cakes that can be iced or substitute brown sugar for white sugar and sprinkle the top of cake with spices to give a darker appearance.
- Do not fill cake pans more than half full.
   Microwaved cakes rise substantially more than conventionally cooked cakes.
- Cakes need to be well mixed but do not over beat.
   Creaming with an electric mixer or food processor is not necessary. Use a fork to mix as the microwave aerates the mixture as it cooks.
- · Do not cover cakes as the top will steam.
- Cakes should be removed from the oven just before they look cooked as the cooking process will finish during standing time.
- Chocolate cakes cook slightly faster than plain cakes.
- Cakes containing a large amount of whisked egg white will not cook successfully in the microwave oven.

# SULTANA CAKE

Serves: 4 to 6 **Ingredients:** 

100 gbutter1 cupsultanas1 cupbrown sugar1 cupmilk1egg, beaten2 cupsself-raising flour

#### Method:

Place butter, sultanas, brown sugar and milk in heat resistant mixing bowl. Cook on P10 for 3 to 4 minutes. Stir halfway through cooking. Allow to cool. Add egg and flour. Pour batter into base of lined 20 cm round dish. Cook on P6 for 9 to 11 minutes. Let cool, loosely covered, with plastic wrap on wire rack.

#### HINT:

TO SOFTEN CREAM CHEESE: remove from wrapping. Cook on P3 checking every 30 seconds for softness.

JUICING CITRUS: to release more juice from citrus fruit, heat on P10 for 20 to 30 seconds. Stand then juice.

# **PACKET CAKE**

## Ingredients:

1 packet cake mix (340 g) Ingredients as recommended by manufacturer.

#### Method:

Mix cake and other ingredients with a metal spoon. DO NOT OVERBEAT. Pour into 20 cm round dish that has been lightly greased and lined with paper. Cook on P8 for 5 to 7 minutes. Stand and allow to cool before removing.

#### Variations:

- 1 tablespoon jam added to batter before cooking.
- Add 1 cup sour cream to batter and halve water suggested by manufacturer.
- Half a cup chopped nuts, ¼ cup brown sugar and 1 teaspoon cinnamon. Mix and place on base of cake dish before cooking cake.
- Melt two tablespoons honey and 30 g butter in glass jug on P10 for 30 to 60 seconds. Pour over just baked buttercake. Sprinkle with cinnamon.
- Serve warm with cream or custard as a dessert or serve cold with cream as tea cake.
- A quarter cup of toasted muesli mixed with 1 tablespoon marmalade and placed in the base of the dish.

**Tip:** Packet cakes are best mixed by hand as the microwave will do the aerating.

# QUICK MIX CHOCOLATE CAKE

Serves: 4 to 6 **Ingredients:** 

1 cup self-raising flour 1 cup caster sugar 2 tablespoons cocoa

3 tablespoons butter, softened

 $\begin{array}{ccc} 2 & & \text{eggs} \\ \frac{1}{3} \text{ cup} & & \text{milk} \end{array}$ 

#### Method

Sift all dry ingredients into a bowl. Add butter, eggs and milk. Beat with wire whisk for 1 to 2 minutes. Grease 2-litre plastic ring mould and line with paper towel. Pour mixture into mould and cook on P7 for 5 to 7 minutes. Stand, covered, for 5 minutes before turning out. Cool on wire rack.

Tip: To soften butter cook on P5 for 10 to 20 seconds.

#### HINT:

TO SOFTEN DRIED FRUIT:

Place 1 cup dried fruit into a small bowl. Add 2 tablespoons MOCHAof water. Cover with plastic wrap and cook on P10 for 2 to 3 minutes.

TO TOAST COCONUT:

Place  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup of coconut on pyrex pie plate. Cook on P10 for 1 to 2 minutes, stirring occasionally.

# **MOCHA CARROT CAKE**

Serves: 4 to 6 Ingredients:

1 cup self-raising flour
½ teaspoon bicarbonate of soda
½ cup caster sugar
½ cup crushed pineapple

1 cup grated carrot
3/4 cup chopped pecan nuts

60 g chocolate 2 eggs ½ cup oil

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60 g cream cheese
20 g butter
1½ cups icing sugar
1 tablespoon lemon juice

½ cup chopped pecan nuts

#### Method:

Place flour, bicarbonate of soda, sugar, pineapple, carrot and pecan nuts in a bowl. Place chocolate into a small bowl and cook on P5 for 40 to 60 seconds. Stir halfway through. Add melted chocolate, eggs and oil to flour mixture. Mix until well combined. Grease a microwave safe ring dish. Pour cake mixture into dish and cook on P7 for 6 to 8 minutes. Let stand, covered, for 5 minutes before turning out to cool. Beat together all icing ingredients except pecan nuts. Spread icing over cooled cake and sprinkle with pecan nuts.

#### **BANANA LOAF**

Serves: 4 to 6

Ingredients:

90 g butter 3/4 cup brown sugar 1 eaa

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2 ripe bananas, mashed well

¾ cup grated carrot 1½ cups self-raising flour

⅓ cup milk

# Method:

Cream butter and sugar until light and fluffy. Add egg and beat well. Add banana and carrot. Add sifted flour and milk to mixture alternately. Mix until well combined. Grease and line with grease proof paper, 20 cm x 10 cm loaf dish. Pour batter into dish and cook on P6 for 6 to 8 minutes. Stand, covered, with plastic wrap on wire rack to cool.

**Tip**: To prevent corners from overcooking, cover ends carefully with foil.

#### **TIRAMISU**

Serves 4 to 6 **Ingredients:** 

1 tablespoon ground coffee beans

2 tablespoons rum

500 g pkt sponge finger biscuits

3 eggs, separated

2 tablespoons sugar

100 g dark chocolate 500 g marscapone cheese

2 tablespoons cocoa

#### Method:

Prepare 2 cups of slightly sweetened espresso coffee using ground coffee beans. Place coffee and rum into a wide bowl and quickly dip sponge biscuits into the mixture, making sure they are wet but not dripping. Set aside. Melt chocolate on P5 for 1 to 1½ minutes. Allow to cool slightly. Beat together egg yolks and sugar and add the marscapone cheese, stir until smooth. Beat the egg whites until they hold stiff peaks and fold into the cheese mixture. Swirl chocolate through the cheese mixture. Arrange ½ of the sponge biscuits into the base of a dish top with ½ the cheese mixture, repeat layers ending with biscuits. Cover and refrigerate for at least 5 hours. Dust liberally with cocoa before slicing to serve.

## **CHOCOLATE MOUSSE**

Serves: 4

Ingredients:

125 g dark chocolate

1 tablespoon brandy

2 eggs, separated 300 ml cream, whipped

#### Method:

Break chocolate into small pieces. Place in a microwave safe bowl and cook on P5 for 1 to  $1\frac{1}{2}$  minutes. Add brandy and egg yolks. Beat until smooth. Fold cream into chocolate mixture. Beat egg whites until stiff peaks form. Gently fold into chocolate mixture and spoon into one large or 4 individual serving dishes. Refrigerate until set.

#### **BAKED APPLES**

Serves: 4

## Ingredients:

4 large cooking apples

3 tablespoons
4 tablespoons
100 g
2 tablespoons
4 tablespoons
4 tablespoons
9 tablespoons
9 tablespoons
9 tablespoons
9 tablespoons
9 tablespoons
9 totter
9 brown sugar
9 chopped raisins
9 chopped pecans
9 golden syrup

## Method:

Score the skin around the middle of the apple. Cream butter and sugar until soft. Add raisins and pecans. Fill the centre of apples with stuffing. Place into shallow casserole dish. Pour one tablespoon of golden syrup over each apple. Cook on P10 for 7 to 9 minutes or until soft. Let stand, 2 to 3 minutes, before serving.



# INDIVIDUAL CHRISTMAS PUDDING

Makes: 8 Ingredients:

100 gsultanas150 graisins50 gcraisins

100 gdates, chopped100 gdried figs, chopped50 gglace ginger, chopped

½ cup brandy 125 g butter

3/4 cup firmly packed brown sugar

2 eggs
½ teaspoon cinnamon
½ teaspoon mixed spice
½ teaspoon nutmeg
½ cup plain flour
½ cup pie apple

3/4 cup fresh breadcrumbs
 1 tablespoon golden syrup
 1 tablespoon parisienne essence

## Method:

Place all dried fruits and brandy into a 2-litre bowl. Mix and cook uncovered on P3 for 10 minutes. Stir halfway through cooking. Cool. Beat butter and sugar in a large bowl with an electric mixer until light and fluffy. Add eggs, one at a time, beating between each addition. Stir in cooled fruits, then remaining ingredients. Grease 4 x 200 ml microwave safe cups. Place half a cup of mixture into each cup, pushing mixture in firmly. Smooth over the top of puddings with the back of a spoon. Place cups evenly around the edge of the microwave turntable and cook uncovered on P3 for 20 minutes. Stand for 5 minutes before turning out. Repeat with remaining mixture. Serve with cream or custard.

# **MINCE PIES • CAUTION**

Take care not to overheat mince pies, otherwise burning can occur due to the high fat and sugar content of the filling. Check the temperature of the filling before consuming to avoid burning your mouth. REMEMBER even if the pastry is cold to the touch, the filling will be piping hot and will warm the pastry through.

# CHOCOLATE PA<sup>T</sup> É

Makes 24 x 8 cm loaf tin

#### Ingredients:

300 g dark chocolate
400 g condensed milk
1 cup brazil nuts
½ cup hazelnuts
⅓ cup glace cherries
½ cup sultanas

## Method:

Break chocolate into pieces and place with condensed milk in a 2-litre dish. Cook on P7 for 3 to 5 minutes, stirring twice during cooking. Fold through nuts and fruits. Line a 24 x 8 cm loaf tin with foil and pour in the mixture. Chill for several hours or until set. Turn out and serve thinly sliced.

# FRUIT MINCE

Serves: 4

#### Ingredients:

250 g mixed dried fruit

1 (440 g) can crushed pineapple and juice

cooking apple peeled,

cored and grated

1 cup brown sugar 1 tablespoon brandy

1 teaspoon nutmeg
1 teaspoon cinnamon
1 tablespoon cornflour
1/4 cup water

#### Method:

Combine all ingredients (except cornflour and water) in a 2-litre casserole dish. Cook on P7 for 3 to 5 minutes. Blend cornflour with water and stir into fruit mixture. Cook on P10 for 3 to 5 minutes. Stir. Cool. Bottle and seal or use immediately.

#### **CHOCOLATE BROWNIES**

Makes: 1 x 20 cm square slice pan

Ingredients:

125 gbutter200 gchocolate1 cupcaster sugar1 teaspoonvanilla essence

3 eggs1 cup plain flour

#### Method:

Grease and line 20 cm square pyrex dish, ser aside. Melt butter and chocolate in 2-litre dish on P7 for 2 minutes. Stir in sugar, vanilla essence, eggs and flour. Spread into prepared dish. Cook on P7 for 5 to 6 minutes. Refrigerate until cold. Cut into squares.

# **CHOCOLATE PEANUT BUTTER SQUARES**

Makes: one 30 x 20 cm Dish

Ingredients:

60 g butter
½ cup brown sugar
1½ cups icing sugar
1 cup peanut butter
1 cup crushed nuts

Topping:

200 g dark chocolate

20 g butter

#### Method:

Foil line and grease a 30 x 20 cm pan. Set aside. Place butter in a 2 litre dish. Soften on P5 for 10 to 20 seconds. Add brown sugar, icing sugar, peanut butter and crushed nuts. Mix until combined. Press into the base of the prepared pan.

#### To prepare topping:

Place chocolate and butter into a small bowl. Cook on P7 for 1 to 2 minutes. Stir halfway through cooking. Spread over top of prepared base. Refrigerate until cold and cut into squares.

# **CHOCOLATE FUDGE**

Makes: 1 x 20 cm square slice

Ingredients:

300 g chocolate pieces
1 (400 g) can condensed milk
1 cup chopped peanuts

#### Method:

Grease 20 cm square dish. Set aside. Place chocolate and condensed milk in a 1-litre jug. Cook on P7 for 2 minutes. Stir. Cook on P5 for 2 minutes. Add nuts and place in prepared dish. Refrigerate and cut into squares when cold.

#### **ROCKY ROAD**

Makes: 1 x 20 cm square slice

Ingredients:

250 g dark or milk chocolate

40 g butter

250 g packet marshmallows, halved

1 cup unsalted peanuts 1½ cups flaked coconut

100 g turkish delight, chopped

#### Method:

Melt chocolate and butter in a large bowl on P6 for 2 to 3 minutes. Add remaining ingredients and mix well. Pour into a greased 20 cm square pan. Refrigerate until set. Cut or break into pieces to serve.

# MOCHA FUDGE

Makes: 64 x 2.5 cm square pieces

Ingredients:

395 g can sweetened condensed milk

300 g dark chocolate melts

1 teaspoon vanilla extract 1 teaspoon instant coffee powder

64 chocolate coated coffee beans

#### Method:

Grease a square (20 cm) cake pan, set aside. Place condensed milk and chocolate in a 1.5-litre microwave safe and heatproof bowl. Cook on P7 for 2 minutes. Stir in vanilla and coffee. Mix until well combined. Cook on P5 for 2 minutes. Stir and pour into prepared pan. Arrange coffee beans evenly over the fudge. Chill for 2 hours or until set. Cut into 2.5 cm squares to serve.

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Chocolate coated coffee beans are available from specialty coffee shops.

# **ORANGE TRUFFLES**

#### Ingredients:

200 g dark chocolate bits

30 g butter

¼ cup evaporated milk
⅓ cup icing sugar, sifted
¼ cup chopped nuts
1 tablespoon orange liqueur

½ cup drinking chocolate powder

# Method:

Place chocolate bits and butter in a 1-litre dish. Cook on P7 for 1 to 2 minutes, stirring halfway through cooking. Add evaporated milk, stir until combined. Stir in icing sugar, nuts and orange liqueur. Refrigerate covered for 1 hour. Roll tablespoons mixture into small balls. Toss in drinking chocolate powder. Refrigerate until serving.

# **Cooking Fruit by Micro Power**

FRUIT - Peel, slice, chop into even sized pieces. Place in shallow heatproof dish on turntable.				
Apples - poached	500 g	P10	8	Add 300 ml of water. Only half fill dish. Cover.
Apples - stewed	500 g	P10	6	Only half fill dish. Cover.
Peaches - poached	500 g	P10	4 - 5	Add 300 ml of water. Only half fill dish. Cover.
Pears - poached	500 g	P10	6 - 7	Add 300 ml of water. Only half fill dish. Cover.
Plums - poached	500 g	P10	6	Add 300 ml of water. Only half fill dish. Cover.
Plums - stewed	500 g	P10	6 - 10	Add 30 ml (2 tbsp) of water. Only half fill dish. Cover.
Rhubarb - stewed	500 g	P10	5	Only half fill dish. Cover.

# **CINNAMON POACHED PEARS**

Serves: 4 Ingredients:

½ cup water ½ cup caster sugar

½ teaspoon cinnamon
4 pears, peeled and sliced

Method:

Combine water, caster sugar and cinnamon in a 1-litre jug. Cook on P10 for 2 minutes. Place the pears in a 2-litre dish. Pour over syrup and cover. Cook on P10 for 6 to 8 minutes.

Tip:

To soften butter cook on P5 for 10 to 20 seconds.

# CHERRY KUECHEN

Serves: 4 to 6 Ingredients:

Base:

 $\begin{array}{ll} \text{1 pkt (340 g)} & \text{buttercake mix} \\ \text{1/2 cup} & \text{toasted coconut} \\ \text{125 g} & \text{melted butter} \end{array}$ 

1 egg

Filling:

425 g can pitted cherries, drained

Topping:

300 ml sour cream 1 egg 2 tablespoons sugar cinnamon

#### Method:

Combine cake mix, coconut, melted butter and egg. Press into a 27 cm flan dish. Cook on P10 for 3 minutes. Arrange cherries over base. Combine sour cream, egg and sugar and pour over cherries. Sprinkle with cinnamon. Cook on P6 for 10 to 12 minutes.

# **SWEET BERRY SAUCE**

Makes: Approximately 2 cups

Ingredients:

½ cup caster sugar ½ cup water

500 g berries, halved if large

2 tablespoons water 1 tablespoon cornflour

Method:

Combine sugar and water in a 3-litre bowl. Cook on P10 for 2 to 3 minutes. Add berries. Cook on P10 for 3 to 4 minutes. Blend water and cornflour. Mix into berry sauce. Cook on P10 for 2 minutes. Serve hot or cold with ice cream.

#### **PRESERVING**

#### Precautions:

Do not use your oven for home canning or the heating of any closed jar. Pressure will build up and the jar may explode. In addition, the microwave oven cannot maintain the food at the correct canning temperature. Improperly canned food may spoil and be dangerous to consume.

#### Jars and Bottles

Jars and bottles can be used to warm food to serving temperature. If the lid is removed first. Cooking should not be done in these containers since most are not heat resistant and during extended heating times, heat from food would cause cracking or breaking.

**Thermometers** are available for use in microwave ovens. DO NOT USE CONVENTIONAL MERCURY TYPE CANDY OR MEAT THERMOMETERS in food while cooking in the microwave oven.

Alternatively, a conventional meat thermometer may be used after the food is removed from the oven.

### Sterilizing Jars

Jam jars can be sterilized by microwave ready for your jams. Half fill with water and heat them on P10 power until water boils (approx.3 mins, for 2 jars). Empty and drain upside down on kitchen paper. The jars should be warm when filled with jam.

## **TOMATO CHUTNEY**

Makes: 3 cups (750 ml)

Ingredients:

250 g onion, finely chopped 1.5 kg ripe tomato, skins removed

and chopped

1 teaspoon salt 1 teaspoon paprika

pinch cayenne pepper

150 ml malt vinegar 175 g sugar

#### Method:

Place onions in a 3-litre dish. Cover. Cook on P10 for 4 to 5 minutes. Add tomatoes. Cover. Cook on P10 for 5 to 6 minutes. Add salt, spices and vinegar. Stir well. Cook on P10 for 10 minutes, stirring halfway through. Add sugar, stir well and cook on P7 for 35 to 40 minutes. Stirring occasionally. Pour into sterilised jars and seal.

# **CUCUMBER PICKLE**

Ingredients:

2 cucumbers 2 onions, chopped

2 tablespoons salt

250 ml malt vinegar sugar vlateaspoon celery seeds mustard seeds

## Method:

Wash cucumbers and remove ends, dice (do not peel). Place diced cucumber in a bowl. Add onion and sprinkle with salt. Stand overnight. Rinse and drain cucumbers and onions. Pack into sterilised jars. Place remaining ingredients in jug and cook on P10 for 2 minutes. Stir and cook on P10 for a further 5 minutes. Pour liquid over cucumber and seal. Keep for 4 weeks before opening.



Lemon Lime Cordial

### SWEET APRICOT JAM

Makes: Approximately 1.5 litres

Ingredients:

500 g dried apricots, cut in quarters

1.2 litres water 850 g sugar 2 tablespoons pectin

#### Method:

Place apricots and water in a 4-litre casserole dish. Cover and allow to stand overnight. Add sugar. Re-cover. Cook on P7 for 25 minutes, stirring halfway through cooking. Remove lid, add pectin, stir well. Cook on P7 for a further 25 minutes, stirring halfway through cooking. Allow to cool slightly before pouring into sterilised jars. Seal.

# **LEMON BUTTER**

Makes: 1 cup (250 ml)

Ingredients:

1 tablespoon lemon juice
1 tablespoon lemon rind
1/3 cup sugar
3 egg yolks
1 tablespoon butter
1 tablespoon cornflour

#### Method

Blend all ingredients in a 4-cup glass jug. Cook on P6 for 4 to 5 minutes, stirring every minute. Pour into hot sterilised jars and seal immediately.

#### LEMON LIME CORDIAL

Makes: approximately 1.5 litres of undiluted cordial

Ingredients:

10large lemons6limes4 cupssugar2 cupswater2 teaspoonscitric acid

#### Method

Squeeze juice from lemons and limes. Place in a 3 to 4-litre dish with the remaining ingredients. Cook on P10 for 8 to 10 minutes. Stir 2 to 3 minutes during this cooking time to dissolve sugar. Cook on P10 for 25 to 30 minutes, or until the mixture has become a syrupy consistency. Set aside to cool. Pour into bottles and seal. Store in the refrigerator and serve with cold water, soda or mineral water and fresh mint leaves if desired.

# **BASIC WHITE SAUCE**

Makes: 1 cup Ingredients:

2 tablespoons butter 2 tablespoons flour

salt and white pepper

 $1\frac{1}{4}$  cups milk

#### Method:

Place butter in a 4-cup jug. Cook on P10 for 30 to 40 seconds. Stir in flour, salt and pepper, Gradually add milk, stirring until smooth. Cook on P10 for 2 minutes, stirring every minute.

**Tip:** For cheese sauce, stir in ½ cup grated cheese once sauce has thickened.

# CHEESE SAUCE

Makes: 1½ cups Ingredients:

40 g

butter 2 tablespoons flour 1½ cups milk

1/2 cup grated cheese

#### Method:

Melt butter in 1-litre jug on P10 for 30 seconds. Add flour and mix well. Gradually stir in milk. Cook on P10 for 3 to 4 minutes. Stirring halfway through cooking. Add cheese and cook on P10 for a further 1 to 1½ minute. Stir and serve with vegetables of your choice.

#### HINT:

### COOKING SAUCES:

When making some sauces in the microwave oven, less liquid may be needed as less evaporation occurs with a shorter cooking time.

# CARAMEL SAUCE

Makes: 2 cups Ingredients:

440 g can condensed milk

 $\frac{1}{4}$  cup brown sugar 2 tablespoons golden syrup 300 ml cream

# Method:

Combine condensed milk, brown sugar and golden syrup in a 2-litre jug. Mix well. Cook on P10 for 4 to 5 minutes, stirring halfway through cooking. Add cream and stir until combined. Serve over ice cream.

#### RICH CHOCOLATE SAUCE

Makes: 11/4 cups Ingredients:

200 g chocolate pieces

300 ml cream

#### Method:

Combine chocolate and cream in a 1-litre jug. Cook on P10 for 2 minutes. Mix well. Serve over ice cream

#### STIRRED CUSTARD

Makes: Approximately 400 ml

Ingredients:

3 tablespoons sugar

2 tablespoons custard powder

 $1\frac{1}{2}$  cups

2 egg volks, lightly beaten

1 teaspoon vanilla essence

## Method:

Combine sugar and custard powder in 4-cup iug. Gradually stir in milk until smooth. Cook on P6 for 4 to 5 minutes, stirring halfway through cooking. Add egg volks and mix well. Cook on P6 for further 30 to 60 seconds. Add vanilla, stir well and serve.

#### HINT:

TO REHEAT POURING CUSTARD:

Place 600 ml in a 1-litre jug and cook on P10 for 2 to 3 minutes stirring once.

#### GINGER TEA

Serve: 2 Ingredients:

5 cm piece ginger 1 lemon, sliced 2 teabags 1 cup mint leaves 2 cups water

## Method:

Peel and slice ginger and place into a 2-cup jug with remaining ingredients. Heat on P10 for 3 to 4 minutes. Allow standing for 5 minutes to infuse. Strain and serve.

#### STRAWBERRY LIQUEUR

Makes: 750 ml Ingredients:

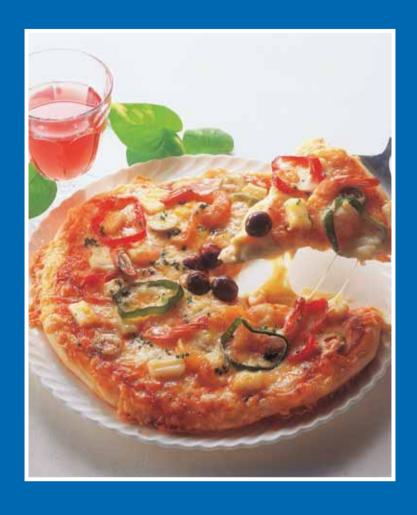
500 g sugar

500 g washed and hulled strawberries

600 g brandy or whisky

#### Method:

Place sugar and strawberries in a 4-litre dish. Stir well. Cook on P10 for 15 minutes. Stir in brandy or whisky. Pour into an airtight container. Store refrigerated for 2 to 3 months. Serve in liqueur glasses or as a tall drink with ice cubes and soda water.



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