

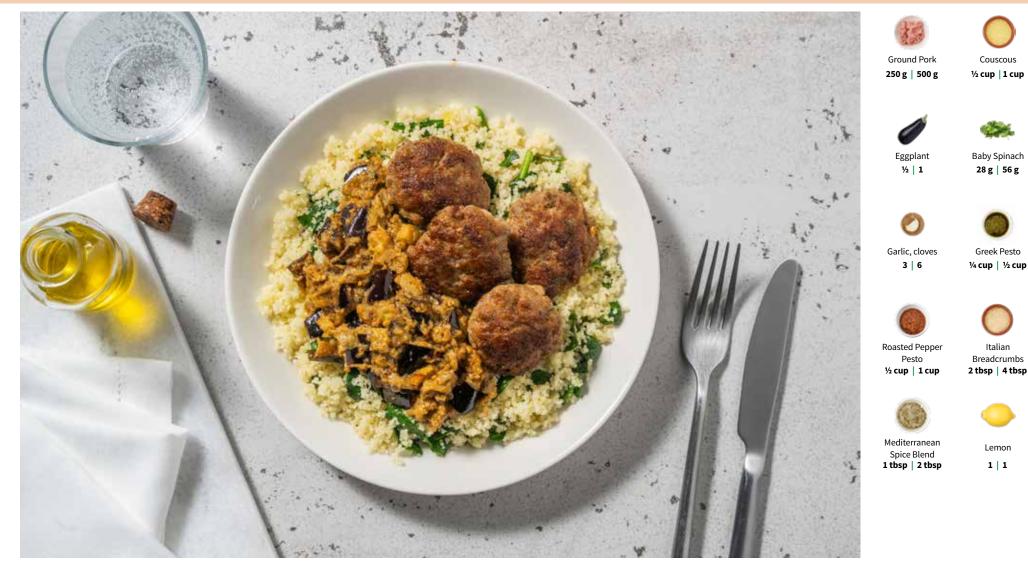
Smart Meal 30 Minutes

🔁 Customized Protein 🕂 Add 🔿 Swap or 😢 Double

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Ground Beef 250 g | 500 g



Allergens Hey home cooks! Please refer to the website or app for the as-prepared recipe nutritional information. Ingredients are packaged in a facility that also handles egg, fish, crustacean, shellfish, milk, mustard, peanuts, sesame, soy, sulphites, tree nuts and wheat.



Pantry items | Oil, salt, pepper

Cooking utensils | Baking sheet, medium bowl, measuring spoons, zester, large bowl, parchment paper, small pot, measuring cups, large non-stick pan



Prep and roast eggplant

- Before starting, preheat the oven to 450°F.
- Wash and dry all produce.
- Garlic Guide for Step 5:
 Mild: ½ tsp (¼ tsp)
 Medium: ¼ tsp (½ tsp)
 Extra: ½ tsp (1 tsp)
- Peel, then cut **half the eggplant** (whole eggplant for 4 ppl) into ½-inch pieces.
- Add eggplant, half the Mediterranean
 Spice Blend and half the Greek pesto to a parchment-lined baking sheet. Season with pepper, then toss to coat.
- Roast in the middle of the oven until tender and golden-brown, 10-12 min.



Cook couscous

- Meanwhile, add ³/₃ **cup** (1 ¹/₃ cups) **water** and ¹/₄ **tsp** (¹/₂ tsp) **salt** to a small pot. Cover and bring to a boil over high.
- Remove from heat, then stir in **couscous** and **spinach**. Cover and set aside, 5 min.
- Fluff with a fork, then stir in **lemon zest** and **1 tsp** (2 tsp) **lemon juice**.



Finish prep and form patties

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- Zest, then juice **half the lemon**. Cut **remaining lemon** into wedges.
- Roughly chop spinach.
- Finely grate **garlic**.
- Combine breadcrumbs, half the garlic, remaining Greek pesto and remaining Mediterranean Spice Blend in a large bowl.
- Crumble in **pork**, then season with **pepper**. Stir to recombine.
- Form **mixture** into **eight 2-inch-wide patties** (16 patties for 4 ppl).



Make DIY red pepper sauce

- When eggplant is done, transfer to a medium bowl. Mash with a fork until a coarse paste forms.
 - Add roasted pepper pesto, 1 tsp (2 tsp) lemon juice and ¼ tsp (½ tsp) remaining garlic. (NOTE: Reference garlic guide.)
 - Season with **salt** and **pepper**, then stir to combine.



Cook patties

- Heat a large non-stick pan over medium heat.
- When the pan is hot, add 2 tsp oil, then patties. (NOTE: For 4 ppl, pan-fry patties in two batches, using 2 tsp oil per batch.)
- Pan-fry **patties** until golden-brown and cooked through, 3-4 min per side.**



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If you've opted to get **beef**, cook it in the same way the recipe instructs you to cook the **pork**.**



Finish and serve

- Divide couscous between bowls.
- Top with patties and sauce.

