Mince and Dumplings

Family favourite from my Mother (modified à la Dave)

INGREDIENTS

1 lb Ground beef (mince in Britain) we prefer 96/4 fat content.Bisto gravy mix and Grands Homestyle Biscuits16 oz can beef stockMedium onion4-6 Carrots



DIRECTIONS

- 1. Chop onion into very small pieces (recommend food processor).
- 2. Slice peeled carrots and cook along with meat and onions in a couple of tablespoons of olive oil until the meat is brown.
- 3. Add beef stock (and a can of water), pepper and salt to taste, and bring back to boil.
- 4. Add Bisto granules while stirring constantly.
- 5. Open the biscuits and cut the whole stack in half and roll into ten dumplings.
- 6. Put in 4qt (9x13") Pyrex dish and drop dumplings on top. Cover with foil and cook at 450°F for 40 minutes or until dumplings are done.

Tip: Serve with Dave's Internationally Famous Mash.

Ingredients for Dumplings without Suet

- 400g Self R(a)ising Flour
- 200g Cold, Cubed Butter
- 6-7 tbsp water

Ingredients for Dumplings with Suet

- 225g Self R(a)ising Flour
- 100g Atora Beef Suet
- 150-175ml cold water

Combine the flour, suet and a good pinch each of salt and pepper. Make a well in the centre of the mixture and pour in water. Stir until you have a soft dough – add a splash more water if it's not coming together. Divide the dough into 12 pieces, then roll into small balls on a lightly floured surface.