# Recipe

## Channa Masala - Whole Chick Pea Curry

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### Ingredients

- Chick peas 2 cups
- Oil 3 tbsp
- Whole spices 2 each (cardamom pods, cinnamon, cloves and star anise)
- Curry Leaves 4-5
- Ground or crushed tomatoes, unsalted 2 tbsp
- Curry Masala 1 tbsp
- Sugar 1 tsp
- Tamarind paste or lemon juice 1 tsp
- Water ½ cup
- Salt as required
- Coriander, finely chopped (to garnish) 2 tbsp
- Garam Masala (to garnish) ½ tsp

#### **Preparation**

- 1. Soak chickpeas in a vessel for about 5-6 hours and drain.
- 2. Heat a pressure cooker on the gas and add chickpeas and water to it.
- 3. Boil them till they are properly cooked (about 10-15 minutes). Set aside.
- 4. Heat oil in a medium sized pan on medium high heat.
- 5. Add Whole Spices (cardamom pods, cinnamon, cloves and star anise).
- 6. Add Curry Leaves fry them for one minute till they splutter do not let spices to burn.
- 7. Stir in ground tomatoes and cook for one minute.
- 8. Add Curry Masala, sugar, tamarind paste or lemon juice and mix together to make a paste.
- 9. Cook masala paste for a couple of minutes.
- 10. Stir in cooked chickpeas and add water to make a sauce like consistency. Add salt as required.
- 11. Cover and simmer for 10 minutes.
- 12. Remove in a serving plate and garnish with Garam Masala and coriander.
- 13. Serve with basmati rice and salad.

### Serves

4 Persons

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