# Recipe- Pongal

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## Ingredients

Rice 1 cup Dhuli Moong yellow Daal 0.5 cup Water 4 cups Salt 1tsp (or according to taste) Whole black pepper 10-15 pc Ginger chopped 2 tsp

Green chilli chopper 2 pc Jeera 1 tsp Ghee 2 tbsp Cashew chopped 15-20 pc

### Method

- Wash properly rice and daal together.
- Take a Pressure cook and heat on high flame.
- Add Daal, Rice, Salt and Water in the pressure cooker with one tsp of ghee (Ghee is optional here).
- Close the lid and pressure cook (1 whistle) on high flame and then until 2 whistle on low flame.
- Switch off the gas and let pressure cooker cool down.
- Meanwhile take a small pan, add ghee and heat on high flame.
- When ghee is hot add Jeera to it.
- When jeera starts cracking add whole black pepper and fry for few seconds.
- Add cashew to it and fry till golden brown.
- Now add ginger and green chillis to it and fry.
- Add this tempering to pongal and mix well.
- Serve hot.

To enhance taste add more ghee. You can use curry leaves also in tempering. Jains or others who don't eat root vegetables, can cook this recipe without ginger. Vegan should substitute ghee with vegetable oil or shortening.

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# Recipe- Sugar Syrup/ Chashni

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#### Ingredients

White Sugar 2 cups Water 1 cup Saffron or Cardamon (optional)

#### Method

Take sugar and water in a pan. Put on high flame and let it boil. When it starts boiling turn the flame medium. Stir in between and keep checking with your thumb and finger how many strings you can see\*. For 1 string sugar syrup switch off the flame when you see single string between your fingers. If its showing more strings add some water boil and check again.

For 2 string sugar syrup switch off the flame when you see two
strings between your fingers.
If its showing more strings add some water boil and check
again.
And if it seems watery add some sugar boil and check again.
For 3 string sugar syrup switch off the flame when you see
three strings between your fingers.
If its showing more strings add some water boil and check
again.
And if it seems too watery boil it more or you can add some
more sugar and check again.
Tips

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To give flavors to sugar syrup you can add saffron or green cardamon when it is boiling. If your syrup is looking dirty remove the dirt or foam with a spoon or you can add 1tsp of fresh milk and then remove the dirt. Every dessert require separate type of sugar syrup. Make sure you are using the right one. 1 string sugar syrup is mostly used to the desserts which needs to absorb sugar in it. 2 string sugar syrup is mostly used to the desserts which needs a coat of sugar on it. 3 string sugar syrup is mostly used to make the desserts like bura or batashe. \*To check the strings with fingers take a small drop of syrup on your finger and press it with your thumb. Then separate your fingers slowly and you will see a numbers of strings in between your thumb and finger. Be cautious as the syrup is really hot. "Be Vegetarian be Happy" "Live and Let Live"

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# **Recipe- Bread Uttpam**

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### Ingredients

Bread slice 6 Suji/ Semolina 3 tbsp Curd 1 tbsp Crushed black pepper 1 tsp Salt 1 tsp or according to taste Chopped onion 2 tbsp Chopped tomato 1 tbsp Chopped carrot 1 tbsp Chopped capsicum 1 tbsp

### Method

• Take suji in a deep bowl add curd and salt and mix well.

- Add sufficient water to make a thick paste.
- Cover and keep aside for 1-2 hours.
- Add chopped vegetables, black pepper and pinch of salt mix well.
- Spread the mixture over the bread slices.
- Heat non stick tawa on a medium flame.
- Apply 1 tsp ghee or oil on the mixture side of bread and fry on tawa at low flame.
- Turn and fry as well other side of bread till crispy.
- Enjoy with ketchup.

# Tips

You can use yellow or red capsicum as well to make the dish more colorful.

according to your child taste and tolerance.

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# Recipe- Jalebi

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## Ingredients

Maida 1 Cup Besan 1 tbsp Curd 2 tbsp Baking Soda 1 pinch Ghee to fry

### Method

- Mix maida and besan in a deep bowl.
- Add curd and mix well with spoon.
- Now add sufficient water to make a thick paste of a pouring consistency.

- Cover bowl and keep in a warm place for about an hour.
- Add soda powder and beat well.
- Pour the mixture in a piping cone or in the plastic empty ketchup bottle.
- Now take sufficient ghee in a pan to fry.
- Heat ghee on medium flame.
- Pour the batter through bottle or cone in a medium heated ghee making your favorite shape.
- Fry them till golden brown.
- Remove and soak in a warm <u>single string sugar syrup</u> for 1-2 minutes.

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• Serve Hot.

### Tips

You can also serve jalebies topped with Rabri or Vanilla Ice cream. Before frying check if ghee is heated sufficient. Prefer flat pan to fry jalebies.

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