DUCK LEGS IN REMOSKA

Prep time: 20 minutes

Cook time: 1 hour, 45 minutes

INGREDIENTS

Duck legs (at least one per person) the Duck leg has a certain amount of flesh attached, almost like a Chicken quarter.

Salt

METHOD

- 1. Pat the duck legs dry with paper towels. Find a needle or a very pointy knife and prick the skin of the duck all over. Focus on the skin that covers fat. Do your best to avoid piercing the meat itself by pricking the skin at an angle over the drumstick and the centre of the thigh. You are doing this to give the fat that lies under the skin a place to seep out if you don't do this, it will be far more difficult to get crispy skin.
- 2. Salt your duck legs well, more than you think you ought to, actually. Let them rest at room temperature for at least 20 minutes and up to an hour. Don't worry, they'll be fine.
- 3. Put the duck legs in a small tin/dish that will fit in Remoska, skin side up. How small? You want it just big enough to hold the legs. Put a thin sheen of oil or melted duck fat on the bottom of the casserole, then place the duck legs in close together but not overlapping.
- 4. Place in bottom of Remoska, fit lid and turn on. Walk away and watch football, go shopping, read a book or something. How long? Every duck has a different level of fat, so I can't tell you exactly. But it will be at least 90 minutes, and two hours is better. After 90 minutes, check the duck: It should be partly submerged in melted fat and the skin should be getting crispy.
- 5. When the skin is starting to look crispy, you're looking for a light golden brown.
- 6. Remove from Remoska and let cool for 10-15 minutes before eating. Save the accumulated fat for cooking vegetables, other meats or for keeping your skin shiny. I strain the fat through cheesecloth, but you really only need to do this if you are saving the fat for several weeks or months; strained, it will keep for 6 months tightly covered in the fridge. Well wrapped, the duck meat itself will last up to 2 weeks in the fridge. What to do with your lovely duck legs? Why eat them. You can just gnaw on the legs and let the luscious fat dribble down your chin, or pick off the skin and eat it it is hard to re-crisp it later and then strip the meat from the bones and use it in a salad, with beans or rice, or in with pasta. The last time I did Duck legs I just got a pile of chips from the 'chippy'

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