## SLOW-COOKED BEEF CHEEKS



## **Cook Time:**

3-3 1/2 hours in the over or 8 hours on Low in Slow Cooker

## **Ingredients**

For the Beef

4 Quality Mark beef cheeks

3 Tbsp seasoned flour

2 diced celery stalks

1 finely diced carrot

1 finely diced onion

3 crushed garlic cloves

2 Bay leaves

1 piece orange zest

1 tsp ground cumin

1/2 tsp allspice

1 cup red wine

2 cups beef stock

To serve

polenta or mashed potato

carrot

parsley

## **Method**

- 1. Preheat the oven to 160°C.
- Add a dash of oil to a large casserole dish (one that is suitable for stovetop and oven) and place over a medium-high heat.
- Dust beef cheeks with seasoned flour, place in casserole dish and brown on both sides (do this in batches to avoid overcrowding the dish).
- 4. Transfer to a plate as you go.
- 5. Lower the heat and add another dash of oil.
- Add the celery, carrot and onion and cook until soft.
- Add the garlic, bay leaves, orange rind, ground cumin and allspice and cook for a further one minute.
- 8. Return browned beef cheeks to the casserole dish, pour in the red wine and bring to the boil.
- Pour in the beef stock, bring up to the boil again then cover with a disc of baking paper and a tight fitting lid.
- Place in the oven and cook for 3-3 ½ hours or until the beef cheeks are almost falling apart.
- 11. Stir beef cheeks halfway through cooking and check seasoning as required.

