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HAND BLENDER

INSTRUCTION MANUAL

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THE DUALIT HAND BLENDER

Thank you for choosing the Dualit hand blender. We hope it will open a world of new possibilities for you – with no extra washing up!

Blended soups, purées, mashed or crushed vegetables, dips and pâtés can easily be prepared. Milk can be frothed & eggs beaten in moments.

The hand blender is used in the saucepan or bowl in which you are already cooking or working, and the whole appliance is small enough to keep in a drawer. It rules out the need to unearth a large blender from a distant cupboard, wash up all the bits and then put it all away again, just to make a quick dish.

Another great benefit of the blender being hand held is that it gives you control over how smooth or chunky you want a mixture to be.

IMPORTANT SAFEGUARDS PLEASE READ ALL THE INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE USING THE HAND BLENDER. KEEP IN A SAFE PLACE FOR FURTHER REFERENCE.

Always follow these safety precautions when using the hand blender to avoid personal injury or damage to the appliance. **The blade is sharp, so** handle with care.

 This appliance is designed to only operate with an AC power supply. Make sure the network voltage corresponds to that shown on the hand blender rating plate on the rear of the blender body

SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

- To protect against risk of electrical shock, keep the blender body out of water or other liquids
- The blade is very sharp, so supervision is necessary if the hand blender is being used near children, or by anyone with a disability that might make the hand blender difficult to use
- Never leave the appliance plugged in and unattended, specially if children are around, **This is a attended appliance**
 - Unplug the hand blender from the power outlet when not in use, before attaching or removing parts and before any cleaning is carried out

SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

- Handle with care and never touch the blade itself, it is very sharp
- The use of attachments not recommended or sold by Dualit Ltd may damage your appliance and could cause fire, electrical shock or injury
- The Dualit hand blender is for indoor use only. Do not use the blender anywhere where the plug or cables may get wet
- Do not let the cord hang over the edge of a table or counter, or touch hot surfaces, including the stove
- Before using, check that there are no foreign objects, other than food inside bowl or you may damage the blades or injure yourself
- When mixing liquids, use small quantities or a deep bowl to reduce spillages or splash back onto the main body

- Keep hand, hair, clothing, or any part of the body as well as spatulas and other utensils away from the blender blade during operation to reduce the risk of injury or damage to the appliance
- Keep hands and utensils out of the container while blending to prevent the possibility of severe injury to people or damage to the unit. A scraper may be used but only when the motor is not running and unit is un-plugged
- Avoid blending hot liquids while they are over a heat source as it may over heat the motor.
 Remove the saucepan or bowl from the heat and then blend
- The hand blender works in seconds. Never blend for over one minute at a time. If you accidentally do, leave the hand blender to fully cool before re-using

- Never operate the appliance with a damaged cord or plug, after the appliance malfunctions, is dropped or damaged in any manner. This can be hazardous. Return the appliance to Dualit Ltd or the nearest authorised service facility for examination, repair or electrical or mechanical adjustment as special tools may be required
- NOTE: Any plug cut from power supply cord should be disposed of immediately. inserting any cut off plug in a 13A outlet is hazardous
- Never use a plug without the fuse cover fitted. Ensure the new fuse is the same current value as original
- Replacement fuses are available from Dualit and should be approved to BS 1362

SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS FOR HOUSEHOLD USE ONLY

BOX CONTENTS

PARTS & CONTROLS

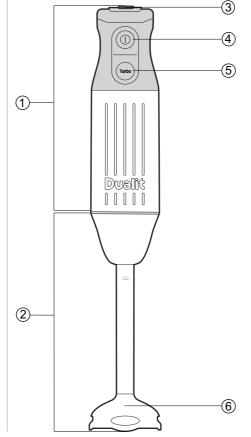
Unpack the unit and components from the shipping container.

Remove all visible packing material.

Before using the hand blender, check the following items are in the box:

- Dualit blender body
- Dualit blender stick
- Instruction manual
- Hand blender cookbook

If any damage is discovered or any of the parts are missing contact the place of purchase or Dualit Ltd careline on 01293 652 500 for further information.



- Blender body -Ergonomically designed for comfort and grip
- ② Blending stick -Detachable for cleaning or storage
- ③ Speed control wheel -Superior control of blade speed
- 4 Power button turns on in conjunction with speed wheel
- (5) Turbo button -Used for maximum speed setting
- Blade assembly -Ultra sharp stainless steel long-life blades

PARTS & CONTROLS P U L To detach the blending stick - Hold the blender body (1) firmly with one hand then twist the blending stick (2) clockwise with your other hand, then pull down to detach. To re-attach reverse the procedure,

ensuring the two parts are correctly aligned.

USING YOUR HAND BLENDER

SPEED & TURBO BUTTONS

For maximum control and professional blending results, two power controls are featured on the Dualit hand blender:

• Variable speed button Ranging from 9000rpm to 17000rpm you can finely set the required speed using the speed selection wheel (3).

> The speed can be altered while button (4) is pressed and the blade still rotating

Turbo

 Turbo button – Use to achieve maximum speed of 17000rpm. Use short powerful pulses, ideal for fast blending of tough mixtures

As a general rule, the higher the speed the faster the blending. Liquids are better blended at lower speeds as this reduces splashing.

SPEED CONTROL WHEEL

Use the variable speed control wheel (3) for combining mixtures together or for starting to mix ingredients, then switch to the turbo power setting (5) to beat well or to froth.

Rotate the speed control wheel (3) on the top of the handle to change the speed of the blade, as required.

The speed can be finely tuned with each graduation on the wheel increasing the speed from 9000rpm to 17000rpm.

We recommend to start blending using a slower speed and to increase the speed setting as you blend your mixture.

GETTING STARTED

The following section will explain how to get the most out of your hand blender. Please read this section carefully.

- Wash the blade before using for the first time (see cleaning and maintenance instructions)
- Insert the blending stick (2) in the blender body's (1) lower part, then turn the stick clockwise.

Ensure the metal blender stick is securely twisted into the blender body

- Treat the blade with respect it is very sharp!
- For best results, roughly chop ingredients before blending e.g. tomatoes, onions, garlic, leafy herbs etc
- Place your ingredients into a bowl that is tall enough to avoid splashing



...**USING**

GETTING STARTED

- Dip the blending stick (2) as deep into the bowl but not above the 'Max' mark on the front of the shaft
- Set the speed (3), then switch on the unit by pressing the power button (4) on the front
- Hold the bowl or jug steady during use, stand it on a damp cloth. Use a medium sized bowl for whizzing even small amounts to prevent splattering
- Work through the ingredients with a gentle up and down movement of the blender
- When blending is complete, release the power button
 (4) then unplug from the mains
- Wash the parts as described in "Cleaning and Care" Section

Before using for the first time, as well as after every use, wash the appliance as follows:

- Blender Body (1): Wipe exterior surface with a moist cloth or sponge and dry thoroughly
- Blending stick (2): Detach from the blender body (1) by holding the main body firmly and twisting the blending stick (2) anti-clockwise. Reverse process to reattach the blending stick

Wash the Blending stick under running water, being careful that no liquid enters the hollow shaft. Then dry thoroughly

A cleaning brush may help you when washing the blade (6)

A quick and easy way to clean the blade is to dip the stick in a jug of water with a few drops of washing up liquid and whizz. Then rinse under a tap.

We recommend washing the blending stick (2) immediately after every use

NOTE: Body and blending stick are not suitable for dishwashers.

Do not use harsh or abrasive cleaning agents or solvents. Never immerse blender body in water or any other liquid. Always unplug the hand blender before cleaning.

CAUTION: Do not touch the blade.

If treated with care, your hand blender will last for years.

STORAGE

For storage of the appliance, place the hand blender in its box in a cool, dry place and away from the reach of children.

Ensure the unit is thoroughly cleaned before storing. Bacteria can build up quickly if not cleaned and food particles are left on the unit.

SERVICING

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TROUBLESHOOTING

1. The hand blender does not turn on

- a) Check the plug is in the socket and the switch in turned on
- b) The blending stick may not be securely attached. Remove and re-attach, ensuring it is locked into place
- c) Ensure the cord is not damaged. If so, do not use the appliance and contact Dualit Ltd for further information

2. The mixture is not blending

- a) The food chunks are too large, try chopping into smaller chunks and try again
- b) You are using the wrong speed selection, set to a slower or faster speed
- c) The blade may be damaged, contact Dualit for further advice and spares information

3. I get splashes when I blend

- a) Try using a deeper bowl or jug, even when blending small mixtures
- b) Dip the blending stick into the mixture before turning the power on
- c) Set the speed wheel to a slower setting, then increase speed as you blend

4. The blender body gets hot

- a) Allow the unit to fully cool. Your hand blender is designed for intermittent use, you may have used for over a minute
- b) Some heat will be generated during normal use, particularly on very hot days, never leaving to rest in direct sunlight

UK AFTER-SALES SERVICE

If your hand blender fails within one year from date of purchase, we will repair or replace it free of charge provided:

- You have not misused, neglected or damaged it
- It has not been modified
- You supply your receipt showing where and when you purchased the hand blender

The guarantee does not affect your statutory rights.

If over one year, contact Dualit for recommended repair agents.

Further advice on using your Dualit hand blender and other products in the Dualit range is available from:

Dualit customer careline on +44(0)1293 652 500 Alternatively email us on info@dualit.com

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INGREDIENTS

The importance of good quality and fresh ingredients will make a huge difference to any recipe. Remember, the fresher the better and quality over quantity.

 for the best results, try to use good quality oils and condiments

A sour, bitter or rancid oil can spoil a recipe, whereas a drizzle of good quality, cold-pressed olive oil can lift a dish

- Sea salt, such as Maldon or other sea salt crystals, are more expensive than table salt, but are unsullied by processing and additives, and well worth the extra expense. They taste better and are a pleasure to handle
- Pepper is always best freshly milled and Parmesan cheese should be freshly grated

Get in the habit of using your hand blender and bring a bit of fun into the preparation of quick meals, snacks and drinks.

- Fruit smoothies are fashionable, healthy and a great pick-me-up for the "morning after". Break a banana into a tall jug and add a handful of one or two fruits, e.g. strawberries, blueberries, mango, pear or apple, with a teaspoon of honey and/or wheatgerm. Blitz with the blender to a rough pulp. With the blender running, gradually pour in some milk to the consistency you like and the smoothie is ready to drink
- No need to go out for a frothy coffee. Bring some semi-skimmed milk to the boil in a pan and whiz to a froth using the turbo button. Pour into a cup of hot coffee and stir in gently without breaking the bubbles - also good with instant coffee

For hot chocolate, break up 40g (1½ oz) good dark chocolate, at least 60% cocoa solids.

Heat 250ml (9fl oz) a cupful of milk, until just boiling. Remove from heat and drop in the chocolate. Wait a minute for it to soften and then whiz with the Dualit hand blender using the top button. Then change to the turbo setting to froth. Serve immediately

• The Dualit hand blender is so handy for **blending soups** – thick cream soups of winter vegetables for a nourishing lunch for one or two, cold summer soups, or posh soups for smart dinners

There are two soup recipes in this booklet, but simply cooking some chopped onion in a little butter or oil and adding almost any vegetables (including leftovers and salad greens), or a tin of beans (rinsed), some stock, herbs or curry powder, a spoon of crème frâiche and/or a dash of wine can

DAILY USES FOR YOUR HAND BLENDER

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make a delicious soup. Don't be afraid to experiment. Whiz it together with the hand blender and serve

- Make dips and mayonnaise mixes from store cupboard ingredients, and serve with chopped raw vegetables for a healthy light snack or starter
- Treat your family and friends to homemade pesto – so different from bought sauce, but simple to make.

Tear a large bunch of fresh basil (about 50-75g) into a bowl including the stalks. Drizzle over 3 tablespoons olive oil and add a large crushed garlic clove. Blitz together using the speed button until the leaves break down, then pulse to a pulp using turbo (5)

Add 4 heaped tbsp (about 50g) grated parmesan cheese or pinenuts (or both) and continue pulsing to a Smooth paste Add a little salt and pepper and 2-3 tbsp warm water. Transfer to a jar and keep in the fridge for up to a week

Why buy salad dressings and marinades when you can whiz up fresh ones? The Dualit hand blender is perfect for making smooth, shiny vinaigrettes and dressings

Balsamic, mustard and soy dressing is lovely on a salad and doubles as a marinade for lamb or chicken. Put 2 teaspoons Dijon mustard into a medium sized bowl. Add 2 tbsp soy sauce, 2 tbsp balsamic vinegar and some sea salt and pepper

Whiz using the top button to mix then with the blades still running pour in a teacup of olive oil, about 200ml (7fl oz), and 1 tbsp fresh lemon juice. Add about 6 fresh mint leaves at the end, if you have some, and pulse until coarsely chopped Frozen peas or broad beans can be crushed to produce a tasty alternative to boiled vegetables

Cook the peas or beans according to pack instructions. Drain off most of the water. Add a good knob of butter and 2-3 leaves fresh mint (for peas), if liked

Blitz with the Dualit hand blender on the slowest speed until crushed but not smooth

Add salt and pepper and serve. Good with salmon, chicken, lamb or a pork chop

- **Beat eggs** quickly and smoothly with you blender – especially when you have three or more to prepare
- To the rescue lumpy sauces can be smoothed in seconds by whizzing with the Dualit hand blender on the turbo setting. A curdled hollandaise sauce can be improved with 2 tbsp of cold water and a quick blitz

...DAILY USES

• Make pancakes a regular feature on your menu, especially if you have children to cook for

Use a packet mix, or quickly make your own. Put 100g plain flour into a large bowl with a pinch of salt, and 1 tbsp caster sugar if you want sweet pancakes. Break in an egg and using the hand blender, whiz lightly

Then with the blender on its slowest setting, incorporate a cup of milk, 250ml (9fl oz), until you have a smooth batter.

This can be used immediately without standing. For a special breakfast pancake, use the Buttermilk pancake recipe (See Buttermilk breakfast pancakes in the next section)

 Dry ingredients: use flat bottomed bowl with steep sloping sides, the hand blender will mix dry ingredients perfectly

BREAKFAST SPECIAL

BUTTERMILK BREAKFAST PANCAKES (makes about 16 pancakes)

Whiz up this healthy batter and cook in spoonfuls as blini-size pancakes. They are delicious served with maple syrup or runny honey. For special breakfasts add fresh soft fruits and dollops of yogurt or lightly whipped cream (see page 24).

75g (3oz) porridge oats
2 x 287ml cartons buttermilk
100g (3½ oz) plain flour
60g (2½ oz) wholemeal flour
2 tbsp caster sugar
1 tsp ground cinnamon
1 tsp bicarbonate of soda
1 tsp baking powder
¼ tsp sea salt
2 eggs

2 tbsp vegetable oil, plus extra for cooking

- Soak the oats in the buttermilk in a medium sized bowl for 15 minutes
- Then add the remaining ingredients and whiz with the Dualit hand blender until just mixed. Do not overbeat
- Heat a non-stick frying pan until hot, swirl in a little oil and drop in small ladles of batter, about 2 tablespoonfuls each
- Three or four pancakes may be cooked together, depending on the size of the pan. Add extra oil as needed
- Cook on a medium heat until bubbles appear on top (about 2-3 minutes), then flip over and cook for a further 30 seconds
- Stack under a tea towel to keep warm until all the batter is used

DIPS AND PÂTÉS

QUICK GUACAMOLE (serves two or three)

Fresh homemade guacamole takes next to no time to prepare using the Dualit hand blender and makes an excellent little dish to serve with drinks. For a bright green colour, make this no more than 10 minutes ahead of serving. (See recipe for Avocado sauce (page 18) for a tip on keeping the colour.)

1 large ripe avocado

2 fat cloves garlic, peeled and roughly chopped

1 spring onion, roughly chopped

1 tomato, roughly chopped

1 tsp ground cumin

juice 1 lime

salt and freshly ground black pepper

- the stone and scoop out the flesh with a spoon into a small mixing bowl
- Add the garlic and onion and pulse a little with the hand blender to mix
- Add the tomato, cumin and some ٠ salt and pepper and continue pulsing until the tomato is roughly crushed. Then add the lime juice and pulse for a few more seconds
- The texture should be crushed and creamy but not completely smooth
- Spoon into a pretty bowl and . serve with tortilla chips, bread sticks, crisp breads or toast fingers

SALMON PÂTÉ (Serves two)

Cut the avocado into two, discard A small pack of smoked salmon and a few everyday ingredients can be turned into a creamy pâté for a speedy starter or party dip.

125g (4½ oz) smoked salmon

1 spring onion

100g (3¹/₂ oz) cream cheese or low fat soft cheese, softened in a warm place

2 tsp chopped fresh dill (or parsley if unavailable)

1 tsp horseradish or Worcestershire sauce, or few dashes of hot pepper sauce

a little fresh lime or lemon juice

salt and freshly ground black pepper

DIPS AND PÂTÉS

...SALMON PÂTÉ

- Roughly snip the salmon and spring onion into pieces with scissors, into a medium sized bowl. Pulse with the Dualit hand blender until roughly chopped
- Add the cream or soft cheese, dill or parsley, horseradish or sauce, and salt and pepper. Continue pulsing until well mixed but still retaining some texture. Add lime or lemon juice to taste and check for salt and pepper
- Spoon into a couple of ramekins and chill until firm. Serve with fingers of toasts or plain crackers
- Alternatively, make a bed of rocket salad on each plate and spoon the pâté into mounds on top

CREAMY BLACK OLIVE, ANCHOVY AND TUNA PASTE (serves four)

This recipe is Spanish and makes a fabulous tapas snack, canapé or spread. The better the quality of the ingredients, the more delicious it becomes.

Serve on toasted bread which, while still hot, has been rubbed with a freshly cut clove of garlic, sprinkled with salt, and brushed with olive oil.

Makes about 120g (4oz))

60g (2oz) marinated pitted black olives, packed in olive oil

30g (1oz) tinned tuna fish in olive oil, drained

30g (1oz) tinned anchovies in olive oil, drained

a pinch dried thyme

a few fresh almonds, skinned and crushed

extra virgin olive oil to taste

toast or croûtes to serve for garnish: a few capers, rinsed

- Place the first six ingredients in a large bowl, and blitz with the hand blender, scraping the sides of the bowl down well. Add a little extra virgin olive oil if necessary. Whiz to a thick cream
- For canapés, cut the toast into small squares and spread the paste onto them. Garnish each with a caper and a sprig of parsley
- Alternatively, press the mixture into a little china dish, put some capers and chopped parsley on top and serve with the toast

SOUPS

CARROT, LEMON AND TARRAGON SOUP (serves four)

By keeping this simple, the full natural flavour of the carrots comes to the fore, underlined by a hint of fresh herbs. This is a great low calorie soup which is quickly blended until smooth with the Dualit hand blender. Thyme, coriander or basil can be used instead of tarragon.

500g (1lb 2oz) carrots

1 onion, chopped

1-2 tbsps olive oil

small bunch of fresh tarragon

1.25 litres (2 pints) vegetable or chicken stock (can be made with bouillon powder or a stock cube)

2 strips of lemon zest and the juice of a lemon

salt & ground black pepper

half fat crème fraîche or natural yogurt to serve

- Peel, top, tail and chop the carrots and place in a saucepan with the oil. Heat until sizzling, then cover and cook on a gentle heat for 5 minutes. Add two sprigs of tarragon, the stock and salt and pepper to taste
- Bring to the boil, add the lemon zest and simmer for 15 minutes until the carrots have softened.
 Remove the zest and pour off half the stock into a heat-proof jug
- Using the Dualit hand blender, whiz the carrots in the pan until smooth and creamy. Return the saved stock, and bring back to the boil. Add lemon juice to taste and check for salt and pepper
- To serve: sprinkle with some chopped tarragon and small dollops of crème fraîche/yogurt

CREAM OF MUSHROOM...

Homemade mushroom soup is a treat, and needs few ingredients to make it special. Choose full flavoured chestnut mushrooms, and for real luxury add some dried ceps or porcini mushrooms. Soak them in hot water for ten minutes or so to reconstitute before using.

2 tbsp olive oil

25g (1oz) butter

1 onion, roughly chopped

2 fat cloves garlic, crushed

250g (9oz) chestnut mushrooms, roughly chopped

15g (¹/₂ oz) dried porcini mushrooms and ceps, optional

leaves from 2 sprigs fresh thyme or $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp dried

2 tbsp Amontillado sherry or vermouth, optional

SOUPS

...MUSHROOM SOUP (serves four)

700ml (1¼ pints) vegetable or chicken stock, can be made with bouillon powder or a cube

300ml (1/2 pint) milk

squeeze of fresh lemon juice

salt and freshly ground black pepper

a little chopped fresh parsley, optional, to serve

- Heat the oil and butter in a medium saucepan until hot then stir in the onions, garlic, mushrooms (including the porcini and ceps, if using) and thyme leaves
- Cover and cook on a low heat for 5 minutes. Uncover and mix in the sherry or vermouth, if using. Cook for a minute then stir in half the stock and some seasoning

- Bring to the boil then simmer for
 15 minutes. Using the Dualit
 hand blender, blitz the
 ingredients in the saucepan until
 smooth
- Rub the purée of mushrooms through a sieve using the back of a ladle
- Return the liquid to the pan. Stir in the remaining stock and milk then reheat to a gentle simmer
- Cook for another 5 minutes. Add the lemon juice and check for salt and pepper
- Give the soup a little froth by plunging the blender up and down in the pan on the turbo setting, and serve immediately with some chopped parsley sprinkled on top

ONION, POTATO & PARSLEY...

These simple and inexpensive ingredients make a great soup. Serve in colourful mugs or bowls.

a good handful of parsley

a large onion

a large potato

30g (1oz) butter

430ml (¾ pint) light stock, made from a cube or powder

a bay leaf

a pinch of mace (optional)

140ml (¼ pint) milk (optional) salt and ground white pepper

• Chop the parsley in the dualit mini chopper or using a knife. Scrape out and set aside

SOUPS

...SOUP (serves two)

- There is no need to clean the chopper bowl. Cut the onion into chunks, and whiz in the chopper or using your knife
- Cut the potato into cubes with a knife. Melt the butter in a heavy based saucepan, add the potato and onion, cover with the lid and cook to soften very gently for 7-10 minutes, stirring from time to time to prevent browning
- Then add the stock, bay leaf and mace, bring to the boil and simmer for 20 minutes, with the lid slightly ajar. It is cooked when you can crush the vegetables easily with the back of a spoon
- Remove bay leaf and allow to cool slightly and blender till smooth or to required consistency

This British classic sauce is packed with a range of important vitamins and minerals. Its fresh and distinct flavour makes it a perfect partner for steamed or grilled fish, chicken, asparagus spears or fish cakes.

a bunch of fresh watercress, approximately 100g (3½ oz)

1 large shallot or small onion, roughly chopped

25g (1oz) butter or 2 tbsp olive oil

2 tbsp dry white wine, optional

140ml (4½ fl oz) single cream, or 200ml (7 fl oz) half fat crème fraîche

a squeeze of fresh lemon juice, if using single cream

salt and freshly ground black pepper

WATERCRESS SAUCE (serves two)

SAUCES

- Wash the cress, shake dry and chop roughly
- Gently cook the shallot or onion in the butter or oil for 3 minutes until just softened, add the cress and cook for 2-3 minutes until wilted
- Pour in the wine, if liked, and cook a few seconds then stir in the cream or crème fraîche
- Season with salt and pepper and simmer for 3-4 more minutes.
 Using the Dualit hand blender, whiz to a smooth purée
- Check for seasoning and add lemon juice if using single cream (this will thicken the sauce slightly). Cover and keep warm for up to 10 minutes so it keeps its lovely bright green colour

SAUCES

AVOCADO SAUCE (serves six to eight)

The Dualit hand blender brings out the best qualities of the smooth flesh of a ripe avocado. Its soft, buttery nature makes it ideal for a quick sauce to accompany a piece of cold salmon.

A trick to retain the green colour of an avocado sauce is to keep it out of contact with the air. Always serve it as soon as possible, but meanwhile store it a tall beaker, or similar shaped container, and cover with cling film touching the surface to exclude as much air as possible.

2 large avocado pears

- 3 shakes Worcestershire sauce
- 5 tbsp Greek set yogurt
- 1 tsp lemon juice
- salt and pepper

- Place avocados, Worcestershire sauce and yogurt in a large bowl, and blitz until smooth
- Add salt and pepper and lemon juice, to taste, and whiz again to incorporate
- Serve as soon as possible

RED PEPPER MAYONNAISE...

This is easy to make, especially as you can buy sweet peppers and the little spicy peppadews in glass jars.

It makes an excellent dressing for summer cold fish salads, or as a dip. (serves six to eight)

¹/₂ jar sweet red peppers, or peppadews

2-3 tsp tomato ketchup

... MAYONNAISE (serves four)

2 tsp Worcestershire sauce

2 tsp brandy

200ml (7fl oz) thick mayonnaise or aïoli

salt, pepper, paprika, Tabasco

100 ml (3½ fl oz) double cream, whipped, optional

lemon juice to taste

- Drain and dry the peppers thoroughly
- Place them in a bowl with the next six ingredients, and blitz until smooth
- Add lemon juice to taste, and whiz again

SAUCES & SPICY DISHES

PEANUT AND CHILLI SATAY SAUCE (enough to fill a medium sized jam jar)

1 tbsp Thai fish sauce (nam pla)

or soy sauce

 Slit open the chillies and discard the seeds and stalks. Roughly chop the flesh

- Heat the oil in a pan and sauté the chillies with the shallots or onion, garlic and ginger for about five minutes until softened
- Add spices, sugar, fish sauce or soy and 200ml (7fl oz) water.
 Bring to the boil and simmer for 3 minutes. Remove from heat
- Stir in lime juice and grind to a smooth paste with the Dualit hand blender

Stir in the peanut butter and heat until smooth and then dilute with 100ml (3½ fl oz) more water

When cool, scoop into a lidded jar. The sauce can be stored in the fridge for up to ten days

FRESH GREEN CURRY PASTE

Use your Dualit hand blender to make a fresh and aromatic curry paste (enough for a curry for four) which can be stirred into a stir-fry of chicken, salmon or prawns for a delicious quick meal.

1 large fresh green chilli

1 cube fresh root ginger, approximately 3cm (1¼ inch)

2 fat cloves garlic, peeled and roughly chopped

This is delicious as a dipping sauce for chicken or prawn barbecue satays. It can also be used as a base for a Thai curry – use a couple of tablespoons per serving and dilute with some bot water

- 1 2 large fresh red chillies
- 4 tbsp olive or groundnut oil
- 2 large shallots or 1 onion, roughly chopped
- 3 fat cloves garlic, roughly chopped
- 2cm cube fresh ginger, roughly chopped
- 1 tsp ground coriander
- 1 tsp ground cumin
- 1 tsp soft brown sugar

SPICY DISHES

FRESH GREEN CURRY PASTE

a small bunch (about 40g/1½ oz) • fresh coriander, with stalks

3 tbsp vegetable oil

- 2 tbsps coconut cream, optional, but nice
- 2 tsp ground coriander
- 1 tsp ground cumin
- 1 tsp ground fenugreek, if available
- 1 tbsp fresh lemon juice salt and freshly ground black pepper
- Slit open the chilli, remove the seeds and stalk then roughly chop and place in a medium sized bowl

- Roughly chop the ginger (no need to peel) and add into the bowl along with the garlic and half the oil
- Snip in the coriander stalks but reserve the leaf sprigs.
- Pulse with the Dualit hand blender to a chunky purée then add the remaining oil, coconut cream, if using, ground spices, lemon juice and some salt and pepper
- Whiz until smooth then add the coriander sprigs and pulse for a few seconds to incorporate
- Scoop the mixture into a lidded jar and keep in the fridge until required

TO THE MAKE THE CURRY

The paste makes enough for 3-4 chicken breasts or salmon steaks, or 400g (14oz) of peeled prawns

- To make the curry, stir fry the chicken breasts (chopped), the salmon (cubed), or the prawns in a little hot oil for 2-3 minutes (the chicken will take longer than the fish about 6-8 minutes, depending on the size of the pieces) then mix in the curry paste
- Stir well, cook for 2-3 more minutes and add a small cup of water to thin a little
- Simmer for a couple more minutes and serve straight away with steaming basmati rice

SPICY DISHES

SWEET POTATO MASH WITH FIVE SPICE DUCK LEGS (serves two)

Healthy sweet potato (perfect for low GI diets) makes a deliciously satisfying mash. Its slight sweetness makes it an excellent accompaniment to roasted spicy duck legs. Make the mash while the duck is cooking.

2 Gressingham duck legs

- 1 tsp Chinese five spice powder
- 1 tsp sea salt crystals
- 1 large sweet potato, about 400g (14oz)
- a good knob of butter
- 1 tbsp chopped fresh coriander or parsley

freshly ground black pepper

- Preheat oven to 180C/350F/M4
- Prick the duck legs well so the fat can escape during cooking
- Mix together the spice and salt and rub half into the duck skin
- Roast in a shallow dish for 30 minutes, pouring off the excess fat halfway through
- Meanwhile, peel the potato, cut into chunks and boil for 10-12 minutes until just tender. Drain and return to the pan with the remaining spiced salt and butter
- With the Dualit hand blender, whiz to a smooth purée. Season with pepper and stir in the chopped herbs
- Serve the cooked legs on a bed of the mash with some pan juices drizzled over the top

DESSERTS

WHIPPING CREAM

The hand-blender whips double cream perfectly.

1/2 pt/285 ml chilled double cream

Use a deep bowl with steep sides

- Blitz, with the hand blender, in the centre of the cream, until thickish
- Then with a fork, stir in the liquid cream from round the sides, until all is thick
- This takes about a minute

Why not try whipping cream, this is a lighter version of double cream, it whips beautifully without being quite so rich.

DESSERTS

EXOTIC FRUIT JELLIES (serves two)

Passion fruits and pomegranates add an exotic flavour when combined with other juices but the seeds can get in the way. This can be solved by pulping them with the Dualit hand blender and then straining the juice. For best flavours choose well ripened fruits and blood oranges (when in season) which give a glorious colour to the jellies.

- 2 ripe passion fruits
- 1 ripe pomegranate
- 4 juicy oranges
- 1 2 tsp flower honey
- 2 sheets leaf gelatine or 1½ tsp powdered gelatine

Cream or natural yogurt, to serve, optional

- Halve the passion fruits and pomegranates. Scoop the passion seeds into a medium bowl
- Break the pomegranate halves into sections, peel off the membranes and add the seeds to the bowl
- Blitz the seeds to a juicy pulp with the hand blender, and then rub through a sieve into a pan
- Top and tail one of the oranges and slice off the skin and pith, then chop the fruit into small chunks, removing any pips
- Divide these between two large wine glasses. Squeeze the juice from the other oranges and add to the pomegranate and passion fruit juice

- You should have around 250ml (9fl oz) juice. If not, top up with some water. Add the honey
- Soak the leaf gelatine in cold water to cover until floppy then tip out the water
- If using powdered gelatine, mix with 2 tablespoons cold water and leave to soak
- Heat the juice until on the point of boiling, remove and slide in the soaked gelatine, stirring until dissolved
- Cool then pour over the chopped fruits and leave to set in the fridge
- Serve with cream or yogurt spooned on top

DESSERTS

FROTHY CRÈME ANGLAISE (serves four to six)

Real homemade custard is so wonderfully comforting. Give it a neat twist by whisking it to cappuccino froth and turn a homely pudding into a luxury dessert.

250ml (9fl oz) milk

250ml (9fl oz) double cream

1 vanilla pod or 1 tsp vanilla extract

6 egg yolks (or 1 egg and 2 yolks) 75-90g (2³/₄ - 3 oz) caster sugar

 Pour the milk and cream into a non-stick saucepan. Slit the vanilla pod in half (if using) and scrape out the sticky seeds with the tip of a sharp knife. Add to the pan, with the split pod

- If using vanilla extract, simply pour in
- Heat the creamy milk until on the point of boiling, cool for 10 minutes and then remove the pods
- Meanwhile, place the yolks and sugar in a heat-proof bowl and using the Dualit hand blender whiz until thick and creamy
- Return the milk to the heat and bring back to the point of boiling.
- Using a wooden spoon, gradually beat the milk into the sugary egg yolks then return to the pan
- Turn the heat to low and stir the custard for a few minutes until it begins to thicken slightly and coats the back of the spoon like thin cream

- Don't let it overheat because it will curdle. Pour through a sieve back into the bowl, cover and cool 10 – 20 minutes
- When ready to serve, whiz with the hand blender until you get a nice frothy mixture
- Serve immediately

DESSERTS

BERRY FRUITS AND HONEY ICE CREAM DRIZZLE (serves four)

Turn shop bought ice cream into a luxurious dessert with this fruity sauce.

150g (5oz) blueberries or blackberries

150g (5oz) fresh raspberries

4-6 large ripe strawberries, hulled and roughly chopped

1 tbsp flower honey

Squeeze fresh lemon juice

1 tbsp whisky or crème de cassis (optional)

ice cream and ratafia biscuits, to serve.

- Put all the fruits into a saucepan with 2-3 tablespoons water and heat until the juice starts to run
- Stir in the honey and simmer 2-3 minutes until just softened and the berries break down
- Remove from the heat and whiz with the Dualit hand blender until smooth
- Rub the pulp through a sieve into a jug
- Mix in the lemon juice and whisky or Cassis, if liked
- Cooland chill until required
- To serve: put scoops of luxury ice cream into 4 sundae dishes good flavours to choose from are vanilla, mango, coconut, caramel, strawberry or raspberry

• Drizzle with the sauce then crush over some ratafia biscuits

Variations in fruits and alcohol can completely transform the recipe, experiment with the contents of your fruit basket.

OPTIONAL ACCESSORY PACK

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