Dolmades with silverbeet

Ingredients

Dolmades with silver beet:

- 1 lemon
- 2 x 400g tins tomatoes + 2 cups tomato juice
- 500ml water = 6 cups 18 medium to large silver beet leaves
- 1 quantity Spicy Rice filling

Equipment

- spoon & cup measures
- knife
- chopping board
- mixing bowls
- mezzaluna
- frying pan
- saucepan
- wooden spoon

What to do

- 1. Fill a saucepan with water and bring to the boil for blanching spinach leaves. Fill a large bowl with cold water to refresh cooked leaves in and place next to stove.
- 2. Juice 1 lemon. Combine the tomato and lemon juice and 2 teaspoons sugar, set aside.
- 3. Cut leaves from the stems and place the stems in the compost bucket.
- 4. Plunge the leaves into boiling water for a few seconds then drop them into the cold water.
- 5. Lay the cooled leaves onto a dry tea towel and continue with the rest of the leaves.
- 6. Lay a dried leaf onto the chopping board and place 2 teaspoons of the rice filling on the leaf about 4cm from the lengthways edge.
- 7. Roll sideways over the filling tucking in the sides of the leaf. Continue to roll firmly to the end.
- 8. Tuck the rolls tightly together in the frying pan

- 9. Pour the tomato/lemon mixture over the rolls and place a plate on top to stop them floating
- 10. Place the frying pan on the stovetop on low to medium heat for about 15 minutes
- 11. Allow the rolls to cool a little before lifting out onto a serving plate $\ensuremath{\square}$