# MARLEY SPOON



## **Za'atar Crusted Pork Chops**

with Tahini-Ranch Wedge Salad





We took our cues from the Middle East with this dish, which ups the ante on an easy-to-prepare weeknight meal. In this case, we coat succulent pork chops with a fragrant za'atar spice rub before searing. The ranch that drapes the crisp iceberg wedge salad is seasoned with nutty tahini, a sesame paste predominant throughout Middle Eastern cuisine. Marinated radishes and shallots top the salad.

#### What we send

- 1 head iceberg lettuce (use half)
- 1 shallot
- garlic (use 1 large clove)
- 1 lemon
- 2 oz red radishes
- 1 oz tahini <sup>2</sup>
- 2 pkts sour cream <sup>3</sup>
- 12 oz pkg boneless pork chops
- za'atar spice blend (use 2 Tbsp)<sup>2</sup>
- 2 Mediterranean pitas <sup>2,4,1</sup>

## What you need

- · olive oil
- kosher salt & pepper
- ¼ cup all-purpose flour 1

#### **Tools**

- microplane or grater
- medium heavy skillet (preferably cast-iron)

#### Alleraens

Wheat (1), Sesame (2), Milk (3), Soy (4). May contain traces of other allergens. Packaged in a facility that packages gluten containing products.

#### **Nutrition per serving**

Calories 900kcal, Fat 56g, Carbs 54g, Protein 48g



## 1. Prep ingredients

Remove any wilted outer leaves from iceberg, then halve through core. Cut one half into 2 wedges (save rest for own use). Peel and thinly slice ¼ cup shallot crosswise into rings. Finely grate ½ teaspoon garlic. Finely grate ½ teaspoon lemon zest, then squeeze 2 tablespoons lemon juice into a small bowl, keeping them separate. Thinly slice radishes.



## 2. Marinate vegetables

In a medium bowl, whisk to combine 1 tablespoon of the lemon juice, 1 tablespoon oil, and a generous pinch of each salt and pepper. Add shallots and radishes to the bowl. Set aside to marinate, stirring occasionally, until step 6.



3. Make tahini ranch

In a second medium bowl, whisk to combine **tahini**, **sour cream**, **grated garlic**, **lemon zest**, **remaining lemon juice**, and **¼ cup water**. Season to taste with **salt** and **pepper**.



4. Season pork chops

Pat **pork chops** dry and rub with **oil**. Season all over with **salt** and **pepper**. Sprinkle **2 tablespoons za'atar spice blend** over both sides of **pork chops**, pressing to adhere. Spread **¼ cup flour** on a plate and coat both sides of pork chops, tapping to remove any excess flour.



5. Cook pork chops

Heat a heavy medium skillet over medium-high. Brush both sides of each **pita** lightly with **oil**, then add to skillet and cook until toasted and a little crisp, about 1 minute per side. Remove pitas. Add **2 tablespoons oil** to same skillet. Add **pork chops** and cook until well browned and cooked through, about 3 minutes per side, reduce heat if browning too quickly.



6. Finish salad & serve

Cut pita into wedges. Place one iceberg wedge on each plate. Spoon dressing all over lettuce and top with marinated radishes and shallots and any remaining marinade. Finish with a few grinds pepper. Serve salad alongside pork chops and pita wedges. Enjoy!