MARLEY SPOON



Za'atar Crusted Pork Chops

with Tahini-Ranch Wedge Salad

🔊 20-30min 🔌 2 Servings

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
- 1 shallot
- garlic
- 1 lemon
- 2 oz red radish
- 1 oz tahini ²
- 2 pkts sour cream ³
- 12 oz pkg boneless pork chops
- za'atar spice (use 2 Tbsp) $^{\rm 2}$
- 2 Mediterranean pitas ^{2,4,1}

What you need

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

Tools

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

Allergens

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 920kcal, Fat 48g, Carbs 62g, Protein 64g



1. Prep ingredients

Remove any wilted outer leaves from iceberg, then halve through the core. Cut one half into 2 wedges (save rest for own use). Thinly slice ¼ cup shallot crosswise into rings. Finely grate ½ teaspoon garlic. Finely grate ½ teaspoon lemon zest, then separately squeeze 2 tablespoons lemon juice into a small bowl. 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 each of salt and pepper**. Add **shallots** and **radishes** to bowl, stirring to coat. Set aside to marinate, stirring occasionally, until step 6.



3. Make tahini ranch

In a 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** over both sides of each pork chop, pressing to help spice adhere. Spread **1**⁄4 **cup flour** on a plate and coat both sides of pork chops well, tapping to remove any excess flour.



5. Toast pitas, cook pork

Heat a medium heavy skillet (preferably cast-iron) over medium-high. Brush both sides of each **pita** lightly with **oil**; add to skillet and cook until toasted and a little crisp, about 1 minute per side. Transfer to a plate. Heat **2 tablespoons oil** in same skillet over medium-high. Add **pork chops**; cook until well browned and cooked through to 145°F, about 3 minutes per side.



6. Finish salad & serve

Cut pitas into wedges. Place one iceberg wedge on each plate, then spoon dressing over. Top with marinated radishes and shallots and any remaining marinade. Finish with a few grinds pepper. Serve za'atar crusted pork chops and pita wedges alongside. Enjoy!