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Falafel is the most prominent and popular dish in Egypt. People eat it every day in the lanes, markets, and homes, along with the fava beans dish. It is a common breakfast meal and is known for its affordability, as its main ingredient is beans.



Serves 2

#### INGREDIENTS

1/4 cup fresh parsley
2 ½ cups peeled beans
1/4 cup green coriander
1/4 cup of dill
8 cloves of garlic
1 tsp of dry coriander
1 onion (medium), chopped
1/4 tsp ground cumin
1 tbsp water
½ tsp baking soda
¼ tsp spices
Pinch of salt
1 tbsp oil
½ cup of leeks
Sesame seeds to decorate

### METHOD

- 1. First, wash the beans well with water, making sure they are free of any grit, then soak in warm water for 8 hours.
- 2. Blend the beans and the vegetables in a blender until smooth.
- 3. Dissolve the baking soda in the water, then add it to the mixture along with the spices and knead well.
- 4. Create the falafel by forming small balls, and decorate with sesame.
- 5. Place the falafel in a pot of hot oil on medium heat for 5 minutes, until tender.
- 6. Remove from the oil and arrange in a serving dish.
- 7.Bon appétit!

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