## Chicken and chickpea stew

## **INGREDIENTS**

- 6 skinless and boneless chicken thighs
  - 1 tbsp plain flour
    - 2 tbsp olive oil
- 20 shallots or 1 large onion, chopped
- 500g new potatoes, kept whole if really small or halved if a bit bigger
  - 4 garlic cloves
  - 3 carrots peeled and sliced
    - 1.5L chicken stock
    - 2 cans chickpeas
      - 2 bay leaves
    - 1 tbsp fresh thyme
      - Salt and pepper
    - Fresh thyme to garnish

## METHOD

- Sprinkle the flour and a little salt over the chicken and coat well Select a pan big enough to eventually hold all the ingredients and add 1 tbsp olive oil
- Heat the oil and brown all the chicken pieces but don't cook through. When browned all over, remove the chicken and set aside Add the 2nd tbsp of oil to the pan and add the carrots, potatoes, garlic, shallots and cook for 5 minutes, stirring a little
  - Return the chicken to the pan, add the stock, thyme and bay leaves. Bring to a simmer, cover and cook for 25 minutes
- Remove the lid, add the chickpeas and cook for a further 10 minutes. The potatoes should be soft and cooked through and the chicken juicy and tender enough to cut with a spoon
  - Season, sprinkle with the parsley and serve.