# Kofta Platter

#### Ingredients

1 lb Ground Lamb 1/4 c Parsley (chopped) 3 T Mint (chopped) 1 1/4 t Cumin 1/4 t Ground Black Pepper 7 T Olive Oil 1 t Chili Flakes 1/4 c Feta (crumbled, plus 3 1 Lemon (juiced) 1 Romaine Heart (chopped) 1 Persian Cucumber (diced) 1/4 c Kalamata Olives (sliced) 4 clv Garlic (minced, plus 1/2 2 T Unsalted Butter 1/8 t Cinnamon 3 c Chicken Broth

1/2 Onion (minced) 1/4 c Cilantro (chopped) 2 t Paprika 1 t Salt 1/8 t Cayanne 2 T Pine Nuts 1/2 c Greek Yogurt ounces) 2 t Oregano (dried) 1 Tomato (chopped) 1/4 Red Onion (sliced) 2 T Red Wine Vinegar tablespoon) 1 t Turmeric 2 c Jasmine Rice 1 Bay Leaf

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1.Mix together the lamb, onion, parsley, cilantro, 1 tablespoon mint, paprika, 1 teaspoon cumin, salt, pepper, and cayenne in a large mixing bowl, cover and leave for at least an hour in the fridge.

2.Meanwhile, in a small bowl, stir together yogurt, 1/4 cup feta, 1/2 lemon juiced, 1 tablespoon olive oil and 1 teaspoon oregano. Set aside.

3.In a large bowl, toss together romaine, tomato, cucumber, red onion, olives, and 3 ounces of feta. Cover and place in the fridge. In a small bottle add 1/4 cup olive oil, 1/2 lemon juiced, red wine vinegar, 2 cloves minced garlic, and 1 teaspoon oregano. Shake the bottle well and then place in the fridge.

4.In a small pan over medium heat, add butter, turmeric, 1/2 tablespoon minced garlic, 1/4 teaspoon cumin, and cinnamon. Stir and heat until the butter has melted then add the rice to the pot. Stir and cook for about 2 minutes to slightly toast the rice and spices.

5.Transfer rice to a rice cooker. Add chicken broth and bay leaf then give it a good mix. Turn the rice cooker on. Once rice is cooked, remove bay leaf and fluff.6.Divide the kofta mixture into fourths and shape into flat cylinders. Skewer while

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squeezing it to mold it to the skewer.

7.Heat 2 tablespoons olive oil in a large non-stick pan on medium-high heat. Add the skewers and cook until brown on all sides, about 5 minutes per side. Add the pine nuts and let them toast until golden brown. Add 2 cloves minced garlic, 2 tablespoons mint, and chili flakes and cook for just a few seconds. Remove from heat immediately.

8.Remove the salad and dressing. Add the dressing over the salad and gently toss. Serve kofta over rice topped with sauce and with a side of salad and hot pitas, if desired.