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Nigella Lawson's two-stone weight loss secret revealed: £295 sessions of hypnosis

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On top of exercise and portion control the celebrity chef has been undergoing regular hypnosis sessions with Susan Hepburn who counts Lily Allen as a client







Domestic Goddess Nigella Lawson forgot to mention a key ingredient when revealing the secret of how she lost over two stone in weight - large helpings of hypnosis.

down to the three Ps - pilates, a personal trainer and portion control. But Nigella, 53, also had a course of £295 sessions with a heavyweight in the hypnotherapy

The self-taught cook, who has sold three million cookbooks, put her impressive weight loss

world - Susan Hepburn, who counts Lily Allen among her clients.

Curvy Nigella visited her Harley Street clinic in Central London, where she was induced into a "relaxed state of consciousness" before being encouraged to eat smaller, more controlled meals.

As part of the hypnotic diet, Nigella - who included a recipe for deep fried bounty bar in one of her cookbooks - was encouraged to keep a healthy eating diary between sessions.

Soon the star began publicising her progress by uploading snaps of her unusually small meals



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A source said: "Nigella loves her food and always will.

"She will never compromise on epicurean delight for the sake of her waistline and isn't the kind of woman to survive on rice cakes and cottage cheese.

"But she wanted to lose a few pounds, and decided hypnotherapy would mean she could still eat her favourite foods - but in smaller sizes.

"Nigella was thrilled with the results. She has also learnt self-hypnosis which she will be able to use for life."

Over 14 months, Nigella, married to art collector Charles Saatchi, has gone from a curvy size 16 to a svelte 12. As well as enjoying regular pilates lessons, the popular TV cook has employed a personal trainer to help keep her on the straight and narrow.

Hepburn, regarded as a world-leading authority on weight loss, is widely accredited with helping Lily Allen drop from a size 12 to a size 8.

Speaking about her weight, Nigella recently insisted: "I remember Elizabeth Hurley once said, 'It's either the cookie jar or the size six jeans'.

"Well, fair enough. She would rather the size six jeans, I would rather the cookie jar. "You make that choice. If wearing certain clothes matters most to you, that is going to be

your priority, whereas I could probably do that for two days but my real priority is eating."

Last night Susan Hepburn said: "It is my policy never to comment on whether or not someone is a client."

There's probably a very simple answer to this, like... they've been the best of mates for

years and fancied a catch up over some nice food. But Nigella recently went out for a night on the town with none other than comedian

Michael McIntyre.

would a night out with them be?

She and funnyman Michael ate a meal and everything.

Now, these aren't two people whose friendship we were aware of - but how much fun



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