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Official Cookbook



LET'S COOK!

BREAKFAST

Egg & Sausage Bake French Toast Sticks

LUNCH

Squash & Corn Pasta Soup Squash & Zucchini Delight Beef & Veggie Soup

DINNER

Chicken Spaghetti Casserole Sheet Pan Chicken & Veggies Garlic Zucchini Spaghetti Veggie Stirfry Sweet Potato and White Bean Stew

DESSERT

Apple Crumble

EGG & SAUSAGE BAKE

INGREDIENTS

- 6 eggs
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon dry mustard
- 2 cups milk
- 1 pound breakfast sausage
- 6 slices bread, cubed
- 1 cup cheddar cheese

- 1. In a skillet, brown 1 pound of breakfast sausage, drain, and set aside.
- 2. Line an 11x7-inch baking dish with cubed bread
- 3. Top with crumbled cooked sausage.
- 4. Top with shredded cheddar cheese.
- 5. Blend eggs, salt, dry mustard, and milk in a blender.
- 6. Pour the mixture over the sausage and bread cubes into the baking dish.
- 7. Bake in an oven at 350 for 30-45 minutes.

FRENCH TOAST STICKS

INGREDIENTS

6 slices of bread (try whole grain for a heartier breakfast!)

- 2 eggs whole
- 2 egg whites
- 1/3 cup milk or non-dairy milk alternative
- 1 tablespoon orange juice
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1/3 teaspoon ground cinnamon

- 1. Cut bread into half and then each half into half again to form 4 long sticks for a total of 24 pieces.
- 2. In a shallow bowl, beat eggs, egg whites, milk, orange juice, vanilla, and cinnamon together, using a fork or whisk.
- 3. Carefully add the bread sticks to egg and milk mixture to soak, turn to coat all sides. Then carefully remove egg-soaked bread pieces, gently shaking off extra liquid.
- 4. Lightly spray a skillet with nonstick cooking spray and heat over medium heat. Lay soaked bread pieces in a single layer on the skillet. Cook until brown, about 2 minutes. Flip sticks over with a spatula.
- 5. Repeat Step 4 until all French Toast Sticks have been cooked.

SQUASH & CORN PASTA SOUP

INGREDIENTS

3 cups chicken broth, low-sodium

4 zucchini, diced small, or summer squash

1/2 onion, small, chopped

1 clove garlic, large, minced

32 ounces corn, canned, rinsed, and drained

10 ounces angel hair pasta, or spaghetti, broken into

2 or 3 inch pieces

8 ounces tomato sauce

Olive oil

- 1. Coat the bottom of a large skillet with a little bit of olive oil. Add broken pasta and mix well to coat. Toast pasta over medium heat, stirring and turning constantly until golden. Pasta will burn easily.
- 2.In a 2-quart saucepan, heat chicken broth to a boil. Add zucchini or squash, onion, and garlic. Cook, covered, until zucchini or squash is soft.
- 3. Stir in corn and remove from heat.
- 4. Carefully stir toasted spaghetti into saucepan with vegetables; add tomato sauce.
- 5. Heat to boiling; reduce heat and simmer 8 to 10 minutes until spaghetti is tender.
- 6. To serve, ladle into shallow bowls.

SQUASH & ZUCCHINI DELIGHT

INGREDIENTS

- 1 zucchini, sliced
- 1 yellow squash, sliced 1/2 small head cabbage, sliced
- 1 large onion, sliced
- 1 (14.5 ounce) can chicken broth

- 1. In a large pot place zucchini, yellow squash, cabbage, and onion.
- 2. Pour broth over vegetables and bring to a boil over medium heat.
- 3. Reduce heat to low, cover, and simmer for 20 to 30 minutes.
- 4. Season to taste.



BEEF & VEGGIE SOUP

INGREDIENTS

2 pounds lean ground beef

4 (15 oz.) cans mixed vegetables or various chopped fresh vegetables (ex. carrots, potatoes, green beans)

4 (16 oz.) cans diced tomatoes

1 onion, chopped

Salt and pepper to taste

- 1. In a large soup pot, cook ground meat over medium heat until browned. Drain grease from the pot.
- 2. Add chopped onion, mixed vegetables, and tomatoes. Give it a stir.
- 3. Bring to a boil, and then reduce heat to a low simmer for about 15-20 minutes.
- 4. Season to taste with salt and pepper.



CHICKEN SPAGHETTI CASSEROLE



INGREDIENTS

- 2 cups spaghetti, broken into 2 inch pieces
- 2 cups chicken, cooked and diced
- 1 can cream of chicken or mushroom soup
- 16 oz shredded cheddar cheese
- 1 pkg broccoli fresh or frozen
- 1 cup milk

- 1. Cook the spaghetti pieces until done according to the instructions on their package.
- 2. In a saucepan, mix the soup, milk, and cheese and heat through, until the cheese is melted.
- 3. In a baking dish, place the spaghetti, chicken, and broccoli and pour the soup mixture over top.
- 4. Bake in a 325 degree oven for 45 60 minutes.

SHEET PAN CHICKEN & VEGGIES

INGREDIENTS

- 4 pieces of chicken
- 1 pound carrots, peeled and diced
- 2 pounds potatoes, chopped into 1-inch pieces
- 3 tablespoons olive oil
- Salt and pepper to taste

Optional seasonings: garlic powder, dried basil, parmesan cheese

- 1. Preheat the oven to 400 degrees.
- 2. Arrange potatoes in a single layer on one third of a greased sheet pan, chicken on one third of the pan, and carrots on the remaining third.
- 3. Drizzle oil over the potatoes, chicken, and carrots. Season potatoes, chicken, and carrots with salt and pepper to taste.
- 4. Bake for 20-25 minutes until chicken is cooked through (165 F) and carrots and potatoes are tender.





SPAGHETTI WITH ZUCCHINI & GARLIC

INGREDIENTS

3 small zucchinis

1/4 cup olive oil

4 garlic cloves minced

1 pound spaghetti cooked al dente

1 cup shredded parmesan cheese

Salt and pepper to taste

- 1. Using a box grater, shred the zucchini, then squeeze out the juices using your hands.
- 2. Heat the olive oil in a pan over medium heat, then add the minced garlic. Stir until the garlic gives off an aroma and begins to sizzle.
- 3. Add the shredded zucchini and season with salt and pepper. Sauté for about 5-7 minutes. Cook the pasta al dente and add the hot, drained pasta to the pan.
- 4. Toss the pasta and zucchini with the shredded cheese and add additional salt if needed.

VEGGIE STIRFRY

INGREDIENTS

- 2 tablespoons olive oil, divided
- 1 package of frozen vegetables
- 3 large eggs, beaten
- Salt and pepper, to taste
- 3 cups cooked and cooled brown rice
- 1/4 cup low-sodium soy sauce (optional)

- 1. Cook the veggies according to the directions on the package.
- 2. Transfer them to a plate and set aside.
- 3. Cook the brown rice, according to the directions on the package.
- 4. Heat 1 tablespoon of oil in the same wok or skillet over high heat.
- 5. Add the beaten eggs and scramble quickly, just about 1 minute.
- 6. When they are cooked through, add onto the plate with the vegetables.
- 7. Return the skillet to the burner over high heat, add 1 tablespoon of oil, then add the cooked rice.
- 8. Cook, stirring occasionally, until it is lightly browned in spots, about 5 minutes.
- 9. Return the vegetables and eggs to the wok with rice.
- 10. Cook, stirring often, until everything is combined and hot and the vegetables are tender, about 3 minutes.

ONE POT SWEET POTATO & WHITE BEAN STEW

INGREDIENTS

- 1 pound sweet potatoes (3-4 sweet potatoes)
- 1 onion, thinly sliced
- 1 can (15 oz) Great Northern Beans, drained
- 1 can (14 oz) crushed tomatoes
- 1 garlic clove, chopped
- 1 teaspoon paprika
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon
- 1 pinch ground nutmeg
- 1 pinch hot chili powder
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 cup water

Salt and pepper to taste

DIRECTIONS

1. Put all the ingredients in a large pot. Cover and cook for approximately 30 minutes over medium heat.



APPLE CRUMBLE

INGREDIENTS

Crumble Topping

10.5 ounces plain flour, sieved + pinch of salt

6 ounces brown sugar

7 ounces unsalted butter at room temperature, cubed, plus a little for greasing

Filling Ingredients

- 1 pound apples, peeled, cored and cut into 1/2 inch pieces
- 2 ounces brown sugar
- 1 tbsp plain flour
- 1 pinch ground cinnamon

- 1. Preheat the oven to 350 degrees.
- 2. Place the flour, salt, and sugar in a large bowl and mix well. Taking a few cubes of butter at a time rub into the flour mixture. Keep rubbing until the mixture resembles breadcrumbs and all the butter is incorporated.
- 3. Place the fruit in a large bowl and sprinkle over the sugar, flour, and cinnamon. Stir well, being careful not to break up the fruit.
- 4. Butter a 9in ovenproof dish. Spoon the fruit mixture into the bottom, then sprinkle the crumble mixture on top.
- 5. Bake for 40–45 minutes until the crumble is browned and the fruit mixture bubbling. Serve with ice cream!



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