

Spinach, Ricotta and Pumpkin Lasagna



Ingredients

2 bay leaves
2 tablespoons butter
1 fennel bulb thinly sliced
2 tablespoons flour all-purpose
4 cloves garlic minced
1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
1.5 teaspoons ground nutmeg
12 Jasagna noodles dry

10 ounce baby spinach

0.5 pound ground beef lean
16 ounce ricotta cheese low-fat
1 cup milk
1 tablespoon olive oil
1 onion thinly sliced
0.3 cup parmesan freshly grated
1 pound pumpkin peeled seeded cut into pieces
15 servings sea salt and ground pepper black to taste
2 tablespoons tomato paste
14.3 ounce tomato purée canned
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Fill a saucepan with 1/2 inch of water, then add pumpkin pieces. Bring to a boil over high heat then reduce heat to medium-low, cover, and steam until the pumpkin is very tender, 10 to 15 minutes.
Drain pumpkin, then mash with 1 tablespoon butter, cinnamon; salt and pepper to taste, then set aside.
Melt 2 tablespoons butter in a saucepan over medium heat.
Whisk in flour and cook, stirring constantly, until the paste just begins to turn golden, about 2 minutes.
Whisk in milk gradually so that no lumps form. Bring to a gentle boil.

	Add the bay leaves, and reduce heat to low or warm. Allow to gently cook for 10 to 15 minutes, stirring frequently, then remove from heat.	
	Heat 1 tablespoon olive oil in a large skillet over medium heat. Stir in onion, fennel, and garlic; cook until the onion has softened and turned translucent, about 5 minutes.	
	Add spinach and cook until wilted. Scrape mixture into a large bowl, and mix well with ricotta cheese and nutmeg.	
	Using the same skillet, heat another 1 tablespoon olive oil over high heat. Brown ground beef in oil, mixing thoroughly to break into small pieces. Once browned, reduce heat to medium-low and pour off excess grease. Stir in tomato paste and tomato puree. Gently simmer until thickened, about 10 minutes.	
	Preheat oven to 400 degrees F (200 degrees C). Grease a 9x13 inch lasagna dish.	
	Line the bottom of the lasagna dish with 4 noodles, do not overlap.	
	Spread the ricotta mixture evenly over noodles, then sprinkle with 1/3 of the Parmesan cheese.	
	Place another 4 noodles on top of the ricotta, then spread with evenly with the mashed pumpkin.	
	Place the remaining 4 noodles on top of the pumpkin and top with the tomato sauce; sprinkle with another 1/3 of the Parmesan cheese. Stir the white sauce until smooth, then discard the bay leaves; pour the sauce over top of the lasagna.	
	Sprinkle with remaining Parmesan cheese.	
	Place lasagna dish onto a foil-lined baking sheet (to catch any spills).	
	Bake in preheated oven until the noodles have softened, and the white sauce has turned bubbly and golden brown, about 30 minutes.	
Nutrition Facts		
	PROTEIN 22.59% FAT 29.22% CARBS 48.19%	

Properties

Glycemic Index:41.87, Glycemic Load:10.25, Inflammation Score:-10, Nutrition Score:20.541739147642%

Flavonoids

Eriodictyol: 0.17mg, Eriodictyol: 0.17mg, Eriodictyol: 0.17mg, Eriodictyol: 0.17mg Luteolin: 0.64mg, Luteolin: 0.64mg, Luteolin: 0.64mg, Luteolin: 0.37mg, Isorhamnetin: 0.37mg,

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Nutrients (% of daily need)

Calories: 222.5kcal (11.13%), Fat: 7.35g (11.31%), Saturated Fat: 3.76g (23.51%), Carbohydrates: 27.26g (9.09%), Net Carbohydrates: 24.59g (8.94%), Sugar: 4.85g (5.39%), Cholesterol: 26.22mg (8.74%), Sodium: 179.19mg (7.79%), Alcohol: Og (100%), Alcohol %: O% (100%), Protein: 12.78g (25.56%), Vitamin K: 104.4µg (99.42%), Vitamin A: 4666.52lU (93.33%), Selenium: 23.83µg (34.04%), Manganese: 0.58mg (28.82%), Phosphorus: 205.78mg (20.58%), Calcium: 183.27mg (18.33%), Vitamin C: 13.66mg (16.56%), Potassium: 558.03mg (15.94%), Folate: 61.85µg (15.46%), Vitamin B2: 0.22mg (13.16%), Zinc: 1.97mg (13.14%), Magnesium: 51.98mg (13%), Iron: 2.2mg (12.21%), Vitamin B6: 0.24mg (11.85%), Copper: 0.23mg (11.42%), Vitamin B3: 2.15mg (10.75%), Fiber: 2.68g (10.7%), Vitamin E: 1.51mg (10.06%), Vitamin B12: 0.54µg (9.07%), Vitamin B1: 0.11mg (7.29%), Vitamin B5: 0.58mg (5.76%), Vitamin D: 0.24µg (1.57%)