# **Made From Scratch**

## **Fall Harvest Recipes**

The season for fall flavors is upon us! Check out our our favorite fall harvest recipes using apples, eggplant, squash, sweet potatoes, and more.



## Acorn squash wedges with walnuts

#### **Ingredients**

- 1 tsp canola or corn oil
- 1 medium onion, diced
- 1/4 cup water
- 2 Tbsp chopped walnuts
- 3/4 tsp ground cinnamon
- 1/4 tsp ground nutmeg

- 1 large acorn squash, seeds, and strings discarded, cut into 4 wedges
- 1 Tbsp plus 1 tsp firmly packed dark brown sugar
- 1 Tbsp light tub margarine
- 1 tsp vanilla extract
- 1/8 tsp salt
- 2 tsp canola or corn oil



#### **Directions**

- 1. Lightly spray the slow cooker with cooking spray. Set aside.
- 2. In a large nonstick skillet, heat 1 tsp oil over medium-high heat, swirling to coat the bottom. Cook the onion for 3-4 minutes or until beginning to lightly brown, stirring frequently. Transfer to the slow cooker.
- 3. Stir in the water, walnuts, cinnamon, and nutmeg.
- 4. Arrange each squash wedge with a cut side down on top of the onion mixture, making sure that a cut side of each squash wedge touches the onion mixture. Cook, covered, on low for 4 hours or high for 2 hours or until the squash is tender when pierced with a fork.
- 5. Place the squash wedges on plates. Stir remaining ingredients into onion mixture and spoon over squash.

**Servings:** 1 wedge and 2 Tbsp sauce | **Nutrition facts per serving:** Calories 150; Total fat 7g; Saturated fat 0g; Sodium 102mg; Carbohydrates 22g; Fiber 3g; Protein 2g

**Recipe note:** Eggplant is a low-carb vegetable that does not significantly raise blood sugar levels. You can use a regular eggplant for this recipe if you do not have baby eggplant.

## **Grilled cheesy eggplant**

#### **Ingredients**

- 1 Tbsp olive oil
- 2 baby eggplants, cut in half lengthwise
- 1/8 tsp garlic powder
- 1/8 tsp ground black pepper

- 1/4 cup part-skim mozzarella cheese, shredded
- 1 Tbsp balsamic vinegar
- 2 tsp Parmesan cheese, freshly grated

#### **Directions**

- 1. Preheat grill to medium-high.
- 2. Drizzle olive oil evenly over the eggplant halves. Sprinkle eggplant evenly with garlic powder and black pepper.
- 3. Place eggplant halves on grill, cut side down, and cook for 3-4 minutes, until tender.
- 4. Flip over and spread mozzarella cheese evenly over eggplant. Grill for an additional 3-4 minutes until cheese is melted.
- **5.** Remove eggplant from grill and place it side-by-side on a serving dish. Drizzle evenly with balsamic vinegar and Parmesan cheese.

**Servings:** 1/2 baby eggplant | **Nutrition facts per serving:** Calories 70; Total fat 5g; Saturated fat 1.3g; Sodium 55mg; Carbohydrates 5g; Fiber 1g; Protein 2g



## Sweet potato and apple bake

#### Ingredients

- 3 1/2 cups canned sweet potatoes, drained (save 2 Tbsp of liquid)
- 2 cups apples peeled, cored, and cut into bite-sized pieces
- 2 Tbsp brown sugar, packed

- 1/3 cup chopped nuts, pecans, walnuts or any other type
- 2 Tbsp flour
- 2 Tbsp butter, melted (unsalted)

#### **Directions**

- 1. Preheat oven to 350°.
- 2. Put sweet potatoes in a baking dish.
- **3.** Add apples.
- **4.** Pour 2 Tbsp of the sweet potato liquid over the mixture.
- 5. Mix brown sugar, nuts, flour, and melted butter in a small bowl.
- **6.** Sprinkle over the top of the sweet potato/apple mix.
- **7.** Bake for 20 to 30 minutes, until the top is golden brown and bubbly.



**Servings:** 3/4 cup | **Nutrition facts per serving:** Calories 230; Total fat 8g; Saturated fat 3g; Sodium 64mg; Carbohydrates 38g; Fiber 4g; Protein 3g

**Recipe note:** Granny Smith apples work best with this recipe.

## **Vegetable stew**

#### **Ingredients**

- 3 cups water
- 1 low-sodium vegetable bouillon cube
- 2 cups white potatoes, cut into 2-inch strips
- 2 cups carrots, sliced
- 4 cups summer squash, cut into 1-inch chunks
- 1 cup summer squash, cut into 4 chunks
- 15 oz low-sodium sweet corn, rinsed and drained

- 1 tsp thyme
- 2 garlic cloves, minced
- 1 green onion stalk, chopped
- 1/2 small green chili pepper, chopped
- 1 cup onion, coarsely chopped
- 1 cup tomatoes, diced

#### **Directions**

- 1. Put water and bouillon in a large pot and bring to a boil.
- 2. Add potatoes and carrots and simmer for 5 minutes.
- **3.** Add remaining ingredients, except for tomatoes, and continue cooking for 15 minutes over medium heat.
- **4.** Remove 4 chunks of squash and puree in a blender.
- 5. Return pureed mixture to pot and let cook for 10 minutes more.
- **6.** Add tomatoes and cook for another 5 minutes.
- 7. Remove from heat and let sit for 10 minutes to allow the stew to thicken.



**Servings:** 1 1/4 cup | **Nutrition facts per serving:** Calories 104; Total fat 1g; Saturated fat 0g; Sodium 37mg; Carbohydrates 23g; Fiber 4g; Protein 4g

Recipe note: The green chili peppers give this recipe added spice and flavor to this potato, corn and summer squash stew.