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Creamy Squash & Sage Gratin

Ingredients:

1 ¼ cups heavy cream
2/3 cup whole milk
1 tsp. Dijon mustard
Pinch of dried chili flakes
1 clove of garlic, crushed
Small handful of sage leaves, chopped
2 ¼# butternut squash, peeled, descended & thinly sliced

Directions:

Heat the oven to 375 degrees.

Put all the ingredients except the squash in a small pan; season really well & bring just to below boiling point. Arrange the squash slices in a shallow oven proof dish & pour over the infused cream. Bake for 30-40 minutes (press the squash down with a spatula halfway through cooking) or until the squash is tender and the top pale golden and bubbling. Leave the gratin to sit for 10 minutes before serving. Serves: 4

Calories: 469, Fat: 42 g, CHO: 16 g, Fiber: 3 g, Protein: 4 g, Sodium: 300 mg

Broiled Fennel with Parmesan Cheese

Ingredients:

2 Tbsp. Olive oil
¼ tsp. Crushed red pepper
2 medium fennel bulbs, (about 12 ounces each) preferably fronds attached
1/8 tsp. Salt
¾ cup finely grated Parmesan cheese

Directions:

Preheat broiler to high.

Mix oil & crushed red pepper in a small bowl. Trim stalks off fennel & discard, reserving fronds for garnish.

Stand the fennel upright & cut the bulb lengthwise into ½ " thick slices. Arrange the slices in a single layer on a rimmed baking sheet. Brush with the oil mixture & sprinkle with salt. Broil until the cheese is bubbly, 1 to 2 minutes. Serve topped with chopped fronds, if desired.

Serves: 4 Calories: 129, Fat: 9 g, CHO: 10 g, Protein: 3 g, Fiber: 4 g, Sodium: 261 mg

Roasted Sweet Potato Enchiladas

Ingredients:

2 large sweet potato (about 1 ¼ #) peeled & diced

- 1 red onion, roughly chopped
- 1 red pepper, diced

1 green pepper, diced

2 tsp. Cumin seeds

1 tsp. Dried chili flakes

3 Tbsp. Olive oil, plus extra for the dish

Small bunch cilantro, roughly chopped

4 large flour tortillas

½ cup grated. Monterey Jack cheese

Sour cream to serve

Green salad to serve

Enchilada Sauce:1 can (14-15 oz.) drained plum tomatoes

- 1 tsp. Smoked paprika
- 1 tsp. Garlic powder
- 1 tsp. Dried oregano
- 1 tsp. Sugar

Directions:

Heat the oven to 400 degrees. Put the potatoes, onion, peppers & spices on a non-stick baking tray. Add the oil & salt/pepper & toss well. Cook for 30 minutes or until the potato is tender (but not mushy).

Meanwhile, process the sauce ingredients in a blender. Take the vegetables out of the oven & let cool a little. Stir in half of the cilantro.

Lay out the tortillas & divide the vegetable mix between them. Turn the sides of each tortilla, then bring up the edges to enclose the filling. Put the filled tortillas. Cut side down into an oiled baking dish.

Spoon over the sauce & sprinkle over the cheese. Put back in the oven & bake 20 minutes or until bubbling & golden. Serve with sour cream, the rest of the cilantro & salad.

Serves: 4

Calories: 495, Fat: 19 g, CHO: 60 g, Fiber: 10 g, Protein: 13 g, sodium: 170 mg

Garlic Whole Roasted Cauliflower

Ingredients:

1 large head cauliflower (2 ½-3#)

6 Sprigs thyme

6 cloves garlic (3 smashed, 3 thinly sliced)

2 bay leaves

2 tsp. Coriander seeds

2 tsp. Black peppercorns

2 stalks celery, roughly chopped

1 shallot, roughly chopped

Zest of lemon (in wide strips)

1 cup dry white wine

Kosher salt

¼ cup olive oil

Freshly ground black pepper

2 Tbsp. Chopped fresh parsley

Directions:

Preheat oven to 450 degrees. Trim the cauliflower; cut the stems flush with the bottom.

Cut a few slits into the core extending into thick branches of the cauliflower (keep florets intact). Put 3 thyme sprigs, the smashed garlic, bay leaves, coriander seeds & peppercorns on a square of cheesecloth bundle in large pot enough to submerge the cauliflower; bring to a boil; whisking to dissolve the salt. Carefully add the cauliflower, Core side down & cook until slightly tender, about 15 minutes. Remove the cauliflower to a baking sheet. Meanwhile, make the garlic oil. Combine the remaining thyme sprigs, the sliced garlic, olive oil, ½ tsp. Salt & a few grinds of pepper in a small saucepan. Cover & cook until the garlic starts to brown, 3-5 minutes. Discard the thyme. Brush the cauliflower until browned & tender, 30-40 minutes., brushing halfway through the cooking time; reserve 1 tsp. Garlic oil. Transfer the cauliflower to a serving platter & top with the parsley & 1 tsp. Garlic oil. Cut into wedges. Serves: 4

Cauliflower with Tumeric yogurt

Ingredients:

Refer to the Whole roasted cauliflower recipe for ingredients& follow directions through step 3. Ground coriander Ground Tumeric Garlic ½ cup chopped cilantro 2. Tsp. Grated ginger 1 tsp. Orange juice 1 cup plain yogurt Salt & pepper

Directions:

Follow directions from the whole roasted cauliflower; remove the sliced garlic from the oil to a bowl. Heat the reserved. 1 tsp. Of oil in a skillet over medium heat. Add ½ tsp. Each ground coriander & ground Tumeric; cook stirring until toasted, 2 to 3 minutes. Add to the bowl. With the garlic; stir in ½ cup chopped cilantro, 2 tsp. Grated ginger, 1 tsp. Orange juice & 1 cup plain yogurt. Season with salt & pepper. Drizzle some of the sauce on the cauliflower; sprinkle with more cilantro. Serve the remaining sauce on the side. Serves: 4

Crispy Gnocchi Primavera

Ingredients:

- 1 (16 ounce) pkg. potato gnocchi
- 1 (12 ounce) bag mini tricolor end sweet peppers, halved & seeded
- 1 (18 ounce) package fresh sugar snap peas, trimmed
- 1 medium yellow squash, halved lengthwise & sliced
- 1 small red onion, cut into eighths
- 4 cloves garlic, smashed
- 6 Tbsp. Olive oil, divided
- 1 tsp. Kosher salt, divided
- ¼ tsp. Crushed red pepper
- ¼ cup finely chopped fresh parsley
- Garnish with shaved Pecorino cheese

Directions:

Preheat oven to 400 degrees.

In a large bowl, stir together gnocchi, sweet peppers, sugar snaps, squash, onion, garlic, 2 Tbsp. Oil, ½ tsp. Salt & red pepper.

Place in an even layer on a 17 x 12-inch rimmed baking sheet.

Bake until vegetables are tender & gnocchi are plump, about 20 minutes.

In a small bowl store together parsley, remaining 4 Tbsp. Oil, & remaining salt.

Pour over gnocchi mixture, stirring to coat. Garnish with pecorino, if desired. Serves: 6

Note: To trim sugar snap peas, sever one end (with flat end of pea facing upward) and pull string across length of pea pod.

Roasted Sweet Potato, Pistachio, & pomegranate Salad

Ingredients:

2 # medium sweet potatoes (about 4 scrubbed)
¼ cup plus 3 Tbsp. Olive oil
½ cup plus 1 Tbsp. Fresh orange juice (from about 2 oranges)
2 Tbsp. Pomegranate molasses, more to taste
1 Tbsp. Red wine vinegar
½ tsp. Sumac, optional
Kosher salt & pepper to taste
3 Tbsp. Honey
1 Tbsp. Orange zest, finely grated
2 Tbsp. Chopped fresh mint, more thinly sliced for garnish
1 cup plain Greek yogurt
½ cup pistachios
½ cup fresh or thawed frozen pomegranate seeds

Directions:

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Bake the potatoes on a rimmed baking sheet until the skins are looser but centers are still firm, 30 to 40 minutes. Set aside to cool; refrigerate until cold at least 1 hour & up to 8 hours.

In a small bowl, combine ¼ cup of the oil with 1 Tbsp. Of the orange juice, pomegranate molasses, vinegar, & sumac. Season with salt & pepper. In a medium bowl, whisk the remaining ½ cup OJ, honey & orange zest. Slowly whisk in the remaining oil.

Stir the chopped mint into the yogurt.

Prepare broiler. Peel the potatoes & cut them into wedges about ½" thick. Brush with the honey mixture, season with salt. Broil until tender about 3 minutes. Arrange the potatoes on a platter & drizzle with 5-6 Tbsp. Of pomegranate vinaigrette. Sprinkle with the chopped pistachios & pomegranate seeds. Garnish with additional mint and serve with yogurt mixture. Note, when serving may serve sweet potatoes on top of a bed of arugula. Serve: 6-8