

### Chocolate Banana Bread Pudding

# Ingredients (Makes 18 servings. Prep time: 10 minutes active; 90 minutes total.)

2 tablespoons melted butter

4-5 cups stale French bread, cut into ½- to 1-inch cubes

4 large eggs, beaten

2 cups milk

I cup sugar

2 tablespoons rum (optional)

I tablespoon vanilla

Pinch of salt

2 ripe bananas, peeled and sliced

I cup semisweet chocolate chips (or roughly-chopped chocolate)

2 tablespoons brown sugar

2 tablespoons pecans, chopped

#### **Preparation**

Preheat oven to  $350^{\circ}F$ . Use melted butter to grease a  $9\times13$ -inch casserole dish.

In a large mixing bowl, whisk together the eggs, milk, sugar, rum, vanilla and salt. Add the cubed bread and toss gently to coat. Gently stir in the bananas and chocolate chips. Pour into the casserole dish and sprinkle brown sugar and pecans evenly over the top. Let the pudding sit for 20 minutes in the refrigerator, then bake for 40 minutes. The pudding is done when the edges start to brown and pull away from the sides of the pan. Slice into 2" x 3" rectangles, and serve hot.

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#### Ingredient checklist

PRODUCE	
<ul><li>Bananas</li></ul>	
BULK	
O Sugar	O Brown sugar
O Semisweet chocolate chips	O Pecans
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GROCERY	
O French bread	
REFRIGERATED/DAIRY	
OButter	○ Eggs
O Milk	
SPICES/SEASONINGS	
O Rum	O Vanilla
O Salt	

#### Serving suggestion

This sweet treat celebrates Fair Trade Month, so be sure to use Fair Trade bananas and other ingredients where available. Add Kahlua instead of rum, or try substituting apples, raisins and a dash of cinnamon for the bananas and chocolate.

#### **Nutritional information per serving**

205 calories 4 g. fat
53 mg. cholesterol 140 mg. sodium
31 g. carbohydrate 1 g. fiber
5 g. protein





# Winter Squash and Apple Bake

# Ingredients (Serves 8. Prep time: 20 minutes active; 80 minutes total.)

- 2 pounds winter squash, peeled, seeded and cut into ¼-inch thick slices
- 2 Granny Smith apples, cored and cut into ¼- to ½-inch thick slices
- 3 tablespoons maple syrup
- 3 tablespoons brown sugar

- 2 tablespoons flour
- ¼ teaspoon ground cinnamon
- ¼ teaspoon ground nutmeg
- ¼ teaspoon ground allspice

Pinch of salt and black pepper

- ¼ cup cold butter, cut into small pieces
- I tablespoon butter, melted

#### **Preparation**

Preheat the oven to  $375^\circ$  F. Grease a  $9 \times 13$  inch casserole dish with melted butter. Evenly layer the squash and apple slices in the casserole dish, alternating and slightly overlapping the squash slices with the apple slices, until all slices are gone. Drizzle the maple syrup over the squash and apples.

In a small bowl, mix together the brown sugar, flour, spices, salt and pepper. Mix the butter into the flour/sugar mix with your fingers to make a crumbly mixture. Sprinkle the mixture evenly over the top of the squash and apples. Cover the dish with foil and bake for about 40 minutes or until the squash and apples start to become tender. Remove the foil, and let casserole brown for another 15 minutes. Serve warm.

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#### Ingredient checklist

PRODUCE  Winter squash	O Granny Smith or other apples
BULK O Brown sugar	O Flour
GROCERY  Maple syrup	
REFRIGERATED/DAIRY  O Butter	
SPICES/SEASONINGS  O Cinnamon O Allspice O Black pepper	<ul><li>Nutmeg</li><li>Sea salt</li></ul>

#### Serving suggestion

Use your choice of local apples and winter squash in this recipe, and serve as a side dish with ham, pork or poultry.

#### **Nutritional information per serving**

150 calories6 g. fat15 mg. cholesterol37 mg. sodium25 g. carbohydrate3 g. fiberI g. protein





### Baba Ganouj

# Ingredients (Serves 4. Prep time: 15 minutes active; 75 minutes total.)

I large eggplant (about I ½ pounds)

I garlic clove, peeled and minced

3 tablespoons tahini

3 tablespoons lemon juice

I tablespoon olive oil

½ teaspoon ground cumin

½ teaspoon salt

Pinch of cayenne (optional)

I-2 tablespoons fresh parsley, minced

#### Preparation

Preheat oven to 375°F.

Prick the eggplant in several places with a knife or fork. Place on a baking sheet and roast the eggplant in the oven for 45 minutes to an hour, turning it occasionally. Remove from oven when the eggplant soft and collapsing and the outside is blackened. Place the eggplant in a bowl and set aside until it is cool enough to handle.

While the eggplant is cooling, mix all of the remaining ingredients in a large bowl.

When eggplant is cool, remove and discard the blackened skin and any excess liquid that has accumulated in the bowl. Mash the flesh with a fork (or finely dice with a knife, add to the remaining ingredients and blend well). Serve with warm pita bread.

Tip: For a smooth texture, use a food processor to blend the ingredients together.

### Baba Ganouj

#### Ingredient checklist

### PRODUCE

EggplantLemonGarlicParsley

#### **GROCERY**

O Tahini O Olive oil

#### SPICES/SEASONINGS

CuminCayenne pepper (optional)

#### Serving suggestion

Serve this popular dip with pita bread, olives and veggies on Mediterranean mezze (appetizer) platter, or alongside other Middle Eastern dishes like tabouli, fattoush and falafel.

#### **Nutritional information per serving**

144 calories10 g. fat0 mg. cholesterol315 mg. sodium13 g. carbohydrate7 g. fiber4 g. protein





## **Spicy Kimchee**

# Ingredients (Makes I quart/approximately 16 servings. Prep time: 20 minutes active, plus 2 days fermentation.)

- 2 pounds napa cabbage, cleaned, cored and cut into 2-inch pieces
- 1/4 cup kosher salt
- ¼ cup rice wine vinegar
- I tablespoon fresh ginger, minced
- I tablespoon fresh garlic, minced
- I tablespoon chili powder (Korean if available)

- 3 tablespoons Sriracha or Korean chili paste (Gochujang)
- I daikon radish, peeled and shredded
- I carrot, peeled and shredded
- I bunch green onions, diced

#### **Preparation**

Toss the cabbage with the salt and place in a plastic or stainless steel colander. Place a heavy bowl or re-sealable plastic bag filled with water on top of cabbage to press the cabbage down. Let the cabbage sit in the sink or over the top of another bowl to drain overnight.

In a large bowl, mix the remaining ingredients together, cover and set aside (mixture does not need to be refrigerated). After 24 hours, rinse the cabbage well and squeeze out the water. Add the cabbage to the rest of the ingredients and mix well (you may want to use gloves for this so the spices don't burn your hands).

Pack the kimchee into a clean I-quart jar, seal the lid tightly, and set in a room-temperature location away from direct sunlight. Let the kimchee ferment for at least 2 days. Refrigerate the kimchee or leave at room temperature until desired flavor is achieved. Serve as a condiment, added to stir-fries or as a side dish.

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#### **PRODUCE**

Napa cabbage

Garlic

O Carrot

Ginger

Daikon radish

Green onions

#### **GROCERY**

O Rice wine vinegar

O Sriracha or Korean chili paste

#### SPICES/SEASONINGS

O Kosher salt

O Korean or other chili powder

#### Serving suggestion

A pungent, flavorful and spicy fermented cabbage blend, kimchee can be added to dishes as a condiment or served as a side dish. It is popular eaten with white rice or pan-fried and added to stir-fry dishes for extra zip. Eat it hot or cold with Korean barbecued beef, with or without a splash of sesame oil.

#### **Nutritional information per serving**

21 calories 0 g. fai

0 mg. cholesterol 547 mg. sodium 4 g. carbohydrate I g. fiber

I g. protein

