

PUMPKIN, FENNEL AND GREENS LASAGNE

Season:

Autumn, Winter

From the garden:

Pumpkin, fennel, kale, spinach, fresh herbs

Type:

Dinner

Difficulty:

Moderate

Country of origin:

Italy

Serves:

6 serves or 30 tastes

Source:

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Equipment

*chopping board and knife

*bowls and spoon

*saucepan

*whisk

*measuring cup and spoons

*frying pan

*grater

*baking dish

*potato masher

Ingredients

*around 4 cups roasted pumpkin

*2 small fennel bulbs

*a few handful of kale or/and spinach

*ready-made lasagne sheets

*1 ½ cups milk (cow or plant)

*2 tbsp flour

*2 tbsp butter or margarine

*bunch of fresh herbs

*1 cup of grated cheese

*1 tsp mustard

*1/2 cup sunflower or pumpkin seeds (optional)

*salt and pepper to season

*oil for frying

- 1.preheat oven to 200 degrees
- 2.put the roasted pumpkin into a bowl and mash with a potato masher, season with salt and pepper
- 3.wash the greens and the herbs
- 4.slice the fennel finely and fry with a little bit of oil until softened
- 5.tear the greens into pieces and remove any tough stalks
- 6.chop the herbs finely
- 7.start the cheese sauce by melting the margarine in a saucepan
- 8.add the flour, mix and cook for a minute on a low heat
- 9.slowly add the milk while whisking constantly until you have a smooth sauce
- 10.add half of the grated cheese and the mustard to the white sauce
- 11.season with salt and pepper and add the chopped herbs
- 12.spread some of the mashed pumpkin into a baking dish
- 13.drizzel some of the cheese sauce over the top (if the sauce is too thick, add a bit more milk)
- 14.lay some of the greens and cooked fennel on top of the sauce
- 15.top with a layer of lasagne sheets
- 16.repeat, till everything is used up. Make the cheese sauce the last layer
- 17.sprinkel the remaining cheese and seeds on top and put lasagne into the oven
- 18.bake for around 25-30 min. until golden brown
- 19.take the lasagne out of the oven and let it stand for at least 10 minutes before cutting it up

Notes: You can use gluten free lasagne sheets, plant milk and dairy free cheese to make a gluten and dairy free version.

Skills: measuring, chopping, mashing