

PUMPKIN AND POTATO GNOCCHI WITH A GREENS PESTO

Season:	Anytime
From the garden:	Potatoes, pumpkin, silverbeet, spinach, parsley, coriander
Type:	Dinner
Difficulty:	Moderate
Country of origin:	ltaly
Serves:	6 serves or 30 tastes
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Ingredients
*1 kg roasted pumpkin
*500 g cooked (with skin on) potatoes
*around 2 cups of plain flour
*1 tsp of salt
*butter or margarine for frying
FOR THE PESTO:
*big handful of herbs and greens
*¼ toasted sunflower seeds
*⅓ cup sunflower oil
*1 clove garlic
*salt and pepper to taste

*grated cheese to serve

Method

1.scrape the pumpkin flesh away from its skin, place into a bowl and mash with a fork

2.scoop the potatoes out of their skin and push through a ricer into a bowl

3.place the mashed pumpkin and riced potato onto a clean surface and add the flour and salt

4.mix until it comes together and knead the dough gently until smooth. Don't overwork

5.divide the dough into quarters and roll each quarter into a long sausage, around 1 cm in diameter

6.cut the sausage into 2cm long pieces and dust with flour so they don't stick together

7.bring plenty of salted water to the boil and cook the gnocchi until they float to the surface, then remove them with a slotted spoon

8.melt some butter in a frying pan and fry the gnocchi on both sides until lightly browned

9.for the pesto, add all the ingredients into a food processor and process into a chunky paste. Taste and saison with salt and pepper. If the pesto is to dry, add a bit more oil

10.mix the gnocchi with the pesto and sprinkle with cheese

Skills: measuring, chopping, grating, kneading