Three Sisters Stir-fry

Prep Time: 20 min Cook Time: 15 min

Total Time: 35 min Yield: 4-6 Servings

Ingredients:

- 1 medium winter squash, peeled and cubed into dice-sized pieces (save time by roasting the squash first at 375° for 30 minutes and then peeling and cubing)
- 1 red bell pepper, diced
- ½ onion, diced
- 1/2 cup fresh or 1-4oz. can of green chilies
- 1-cup fresh or 1-15oz can diced tomatoes (low sodium)
- 1-cup fresh or frozen sweet corn (low sodium)
- ¾ cup dried black beans, cooked, or 1-15oz can black beans (low sodium)
- 1 Tablespoon black pepper
- 1 clove garlic or 1 Tablespoon garlic powder
- 1 Tablespoon cumin
- 1 Tablespoon canola oil
- Vegetable broth as needed (low sodium)
- * Optional: cook 2-3 cups brown rice to serve under stir-fry
- * Optional flavor: Hot sauce, salsa, or avocado for topping

Instructions:

- In a large skillet, heat a splash of oil over high heat. (Healthy tip: skip the oil and stir-fry with water!).
- 2. Add the cubed squash. Reduce to medium-high and cook, stirring frequently.
- Add vegetable stock as needed to prevent squash from sticking to the pan and drying out.
 Once the squash starts to become tender (about 10 min), add onions
- and peppers. Continue to stir frequently.
- Once onions, peppers, and squash have reached a desired tenderness, add the green chilies, diced tomatoes, corn, and black beans. Stir.
- 6. Cook for 1-2 min. Add black pepper, cumin, and garlic powder.
- 7. Give it a couple more good stirs.
 - 8. Enjoy on its own or over a bed of brown rice.

^{*} Recipe adapted from coleadamrd.blogspot.com



Vegetable Fritters

Prep Time: 10 min Cook Time: 10 min

Total Time: 20 min Yield: 4 Servings

Batter Ingredients:

- 1/3 cup unbleached or whole-wheat flour (Healthy Tip: substitute oats for flour!)
- ½ teaspoon baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/3 teaspoon pepper
- 2 eggs (beaten)
- Oil for the pan (canola, coconut, or olive oil)

Batter Directions:

- 1. Mix together the ingredients to form a smooth batter.
- 2. Now add one of the following options and mix in gently.

Option 1: Summer Squash Fritter

- \bullet 3 cups of summer squash (zucchini or yellow squash) shredded
- 1/3 cup onion, chopped up small
- 1/3 cup bell pepper, chopped up small
- 2 cloves garlic, chopped up small
- 1 Tablespoon fresh parsley, chopped (optional)
- * Optional flavor: add fresh jalapeño, diced

Option 2: Corn Fritter

- 2 cups fresh or frozen corn (low sodium)
- 2 Tablespoons milk

Option 3: Broccoli-Carrot Fritter

- 2 cups fresh or frozen broccoli (low sodium), chopped up small
- 1 cup fresh or frozen carrots (low sodium), shredded
- 2 cloves garlic chopped up small
- 1 Tablespoon fresh dill chopped (optional)
- * Optional flavor: add fresh jalapeño, diced

Fritter Directions:

a long time to cook.

- 1. Lightly coat a frying pan with oil and heat to medium hot temperature.
- 2. Drop spoonfuls of batter onto the frying pan, like pancakes.
- 3. Make sure the fritters are not too thick otherwise the inside will take
- 4. Fry one side until golden brown, then turn and cook on the other side until done. Enjoy!

Note: Feel free to add any other spices, herbs, or vegetables to the fritters!

^{*} Recipe adapted from the "Simply in Season".



Southwest Dip and Veggies

Prep Time: 3 min Yield: 4 Servings

Southwest Dip Ingredients:

- 1 cup plain low-fat yogurt (use Greek yogurt for thicker dip)
- 1/2 teaspoon cumin
- 1/2 teaspoon chili powder
- 1/2 teaspoon dried or fresh cilantro (optional)
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- ¼ teaspoon cayenne pepper

Instructions:

- 1. Combine all ingredients in a plastic container.
- 2. Adjust seasonings to personal taste.
- 3. Cut your choice of vegetables into bite sized pieces.
- 4. Dip those veggies in and enjoy!

Vegetable Dipper Options:

 Carrots, broccoli, cauliflower, celery, cucumbers, peas, peppers, or tomatoes

Ranch Dip and Veggies (alternative)

Prep Time: 3 min Yield: 4 Servings

Ranch Dip Ingredients:

- 1 cup plain low-fat yogurt (use Greek yogurt for thicker dip)
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon onion powder
- ½ teaspoon garlic powder
- 1 teaspoon fresh or dried dill
- · 1 teaspoon fresh or dried parsley
- ½ teaspoon ground black pepper

Instructions:

- 1. Combine all ingredients in a plastic container.
- 2. Adjust seasonings to personal taste.
- 3. Cut your choice of vegetables into bite sized pieces.
- 4. Dip those veggies in and enjoy!

Vegetable Dipper Options:

 Carrots, broccoli, cauliflower, celery, cucumbers, peas, peppers, or tomatoes



Overnight Oatmeal:

Prep Time: 5 min **Active Time:** 5 min **Total Time:** Refrigerate overnight or at least 6 hrs

Yield: 1 Serving

This is an easy, healthy breakfast for on-the-go families. There are many different variations that are easy to try.

Ingredients:

- 1 clean jar with lid
- ½ cup 1 cup rolled oats
- 1 cup milk
- 2 Tablespoons nuts or seeds (almonds, walnuts, pecans, pinons or sunflower seeds)
- 1 teaspoon of your favorite spice (cinnamon, nutmeg or pumpkin pie spice)
- \bullet 1 teaspoon of your favorite sweetener (brown sugar, maple syrup or honey)
- • ½ - ½ cup sliced fruit (bananas, apples, berries – fresh or frozen)
- * Optional: 2 Tablespoons peanut butter
- * Optional: 4 Tablespoons low fat yogurt of choice

Instructions:

- In a jar or small bowl add milk, sweetener, and spices. Stir with a spoon to combine. If desired, add peanut butter now.
- Add oats and stir a few more times. Make sure all oats are mixed with milk.
- Cover with a lid or plastic wrap and set in the refrigerator overnight (or at least 6 hours).
- 4. Open up and top with fruit and nuts. Enjoy!
- * Overnight oats will keep in the refrigerator for up to 2 days.

Yummy Combinations:

- 5. Peanut Butter Banana
 - 6. Cinnamon Apple
 - 7. Berry Medley (strawberry, blueberry, raspberry)
 - 8. Blueberry Banana

^{*} Recipe adapted from minimalistbaker.com and hurrythefoodup.com



Healthy Fruit Crumble

Prep Time: 10 min Cook Time: 25 min Total Time: 35 min

Yield: 4 Servings

Ingredients:

- 2 ½ cups any fresh or frozen fruit: blueberries, strawberries, peaches, plums, or apples
- 1 Tablespoon granulated sugar, or honey
- 3 Tablespoon whole-wheat flour
- \bullet Juice squeezed from ½ orange, or use orange juice (about 1-2 Tablespoons)
- 1/2 cup rolled oats
- ¼ cup chopped almonds, pecans, walnuts, or your other favorite nut!
- 3 Tablespoons brown sugar
- 1/4 Tablespoon ground cinnamon
- 2 Tablespoons canola oil, or coconut oil

Instructions:

- 1. Preheat oven to 400°F
- Combine fruit with granulated sugar, 1 Tbs. flour and the orange juice. Place into a pie or baking dish.
- 3. Combine oats, nuts, brown sugar, the remaining 2 Tbs. flour, and cinnamon. Drizzle with oil and stir to combine.
- Sprinkle oat mixture over the fruit mixture. Place the dishes on a baking sheet.
- $5.\,\rm Bake$ until the fruit is bubbling and the topping is golden, 20 to 25 minutes. Let stand for at least 10 minutes before serving.
- * Tip: If you don't have access to an oven, cook the fruit over the stove until soft, and then microwave the fruit with the crumble for 10 minutes.

^{*} Recipe adapted from www.eatingwell.com



Blue Corn Mush

Prep time: 3 min Cook time: 15 min

Total time: 18 min Yield: 2-3 Servings

Mush Ingredients

- 3 cups of water
- 1 Tablespoon juniper ash
- 1 cup blue cornmeal w/ 1 cup of cold water

Instructions

- 1. In a pot, mix 1 Tablespoon of juniper ash with 3 cups of water, bring to a boil
- In a separate bowl, whisk one cup of blue cornmeal and one cup of cold water together.
- 3. When pot of ash and water are boiling, lower the heat and slowly stir the cornmeal and continue to stir for 10-15 minutes
- When desired consistency of mush has been reached, let it simmer and cool.
- 5. Enjoy as is or with delicious toppings!

Topping Ingredients

- Fruit (fresh, frozen, dried): berries, apples, melon, peaches, apricots, raisins
- · Nuts: almonds, walnuts, pinons
- · Other toppings: granola, honey oats
- * Note: For a firmer mush, use less water. A firmer mush can be fried in chunks, not possible with a mush that contains too much water.

Blue Corn Bread Paddies

Prep time: 3 min Cook time: 15 min

Total time: 18 min Yeild: 2-3 Servings

Complete the blue corn mush recipe.

Additional Ingredients

- 1/2-1 cup of dried blue corn meal
- 1 teaspoon salt in 1/2 cup cold water
- 1 Tablespoon canola or coconut oil

Instructions

- 1. Heat frying pan over medium heat.
- 2. In a bowl, add dried blue corn meal to the blue corn mush (already made), so that the consistency becomes firmer. It should be able to form a ball. If its too dry, add a small amount of water
- 3. After rolling into a ball, break off hand size pieces to make paddies. Dip each side of paddies into ½ cup of salt water.
- 4. Fry over pan until the corn meal is cooked on each side to enjoy.
- * Delicious side dish to a Three Sisters Stir-fry or stew!



A.L.T.T. Wrap

(Avocado, Lettuce, Tomato, Turkey)

Prep Time: 5 min

Yield: 2 Servings Serving Size: 1/2 wrap

Ingredients:

- 1 cup chopped lettuce
- 1/2 cup chopped tomato (1 small tomato)
- 1 Tablespoon light Ranch dressing
- 1/2 cup chopped avocado (1 small avocado)
- 1 cup turkey, chopped. Use fresh meat or leftovers when possible, lunchmeat if fresh is not available.
- 1 large (10" burrito size) whole-wheat tortilla (or blue corn tortilla)
- * Optional: onions, cucumbers, or alfalfa sprouts

Instructions:

- Put lettuce, tomatoes, and Ranch dressing in a medium bowl. Stir to combine.
- 2. Add avocado and turkey. Stir gently.
- 3. Pour onto tortilla. Wrap like a burrito.
- 4. Enjoy!

Other Yummy Wrap Combinations:

- ${\it 1. Light sour cream or cream cheese, cucumber, bell pepper, turkey, lettuce.}$
- Egg Salad: 1-2 hard boiled eggs, grapes, lettuce, bell pepper, Greek yogurt.
- Tuna Salad: 1 can tuna, celery, lettuce, bell peppers, low fat plain yogurt.

^{*} Recipe adapted from Power Play Kids Cookbook



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