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Something's Cooking

Quiche, Salad An Ideal Meal

An ideal dish to serve during these hot summer months is a quick and easy Vegetable Quiche. To accompany this versatile meal, a low calorie chilled cucumber and bean sprout salad is suggested.

The Vegetable Quiche, a salad, and a cold drink is a light and easy meal to be served on the patio, during a picnic, or even when having guests in for the evening.

Quiches can be served hot or cold. They also can be prepared an hour ahead and served at room temperature, or can be baked ahead, refrigerated or even frozen, and reheated when needed. Chilled quiches make good snacks and appetizers, too.

VEGETABLE QUICHE 2 small zucchini (1/2 lb.) thinly sliced 1 green onion, sliced 1 medium clove garlic, minced 1/4 cup butter or margarine 1 medium tomato, peeled and chopped (about 1 cup) 1/2 cup green pepper, chopped

1/4 teaspoon salt, or to taste 1/4 teaspoon pepper 1/4 teaspoon each basil and thyme 2 cups bean sprouts, draiined and coarsely chopped

9 in. pastry shell, partially baked, or unbaked and brushed with egg white, then dried 3 eggs

3/4 cup half and half 1/2 cup Parmesan Cheese

Saute zucchini, onion and garlic in butter about 5 minutes, stirring occasionally. Stir in tomato, green peppers, salt, pepper, basil and thyme.

Cook over low heat 10 to 15 minutes or until vegetables are tender and liquid has evaporated.

Mix bean sprouts into cooked vegetables and spread evenly in pastry shell.

Beat eggs and half and half until mixed but not grothy; pour into shell. Sprinkle with Parmesan.

Bake in preheated 375° oven 30 to 35 minutes or until set. Makes 6 servings.

With vegetables becoming plentiful and less expensive than during the winter months, a Vegetable Quiche



STORE COOL

After working hard to package fruits and vegetables for home freezing, make sure they're stored at zero degrees F. or below. They need to be kept that cold to maintain their quality.

Packages of unfrozen food should be spaced at least one inch apart in the freezer since heat must be given off in order for them to freeze, says Jane Aitchison, agricultural extension

If cooked cabbage is a favorite with your family, follow these freezing tips from Dr. Nadine Tope, foods and nutrition specialist with the North Carolina Agricultural Extension Service. Select freshly picked,

solid heads and trim the

Then cut the cabbage

into medium to coarse

shreds or thin wedges.

or separate the head into

leaves. Heat in boiling

water for 11/2 minutes.

coarse outer leaves.

Wash the squash and cut into 1/2 inch slices. Blanch the slices in boiling water for three minutes, then cool the squash promptly in cold water and drain.

Pack into containers. leaving 1/2 inch headspace. Seal containers and freeze.

YOUNG CHICKEN Ever wonder why some chicken bones turn dark after cooking and

why the meat next to the

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foods and nutrition specialist at North Carolina State University.

Put no more unfrozen food into a freezer than will freeze in 24 hours, she advises.

For quickest freezing, place packages .against freezing plates or coils. FROZEN CABBAGE Cabbage can be frozen at home for later eating, but it will only be suitable for use as a cooked vegetable.

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FREEZING SQUASH Summer squash is eaeasy to freeze at home. Select young squash with small seeds and a tender rind, advises Jane Aitchison, NCSU foods and nutrition extension specialist.

According to special-Carolina Agricultural Extension Service, the darkening is a natural condition related to the blood pigment in the bone.

According to them, it used to be that chickens were not killed or marketed until they were several months old.

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