

# **Appetizer and Salad**

#### **Stuffed mushrooms**

#### **Ingredients**

- · Large mushrooms, cleaned and stems removed
- 1/2 cup cream cheese, softened
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1/4 cup grated Parmesan cheese
- 1 teaspoon dried herbs (such as parsley, thyme, or rosemary)
- Salt and pepper, to taste
- Olive oil, for drizzling

#### **Instructions**

- 1. Preheat your oven to 375°F (190°C).
- 2. In a bowl, mix the softened cream cheese, minced garlic, grated Parmesan cheese, dried herbs, salt, and pepper until well combined.
- 3. Stuff each mushroom cap with the cream cheese mixture.
- 4. Place the stuffed mushrooms on a baking sheet. Drizzle with olive oil.
- 5. Bake in the preheated oven for 18-20 minutes or until the mushrooms are tender and the filling is golden brown. Serve hot.

#### Citrus Avocado Salad

#### For the Salad

- 4 cups mixed salad greens (such as arugula, spinach, and watercress)
- 2 ripe avocados, peeled, pitted, and sliced
- 1 large grapefruit, peeled and segmented
- 1 large orange, peeled and segmented
- 1/4 red onion, thinly sliced
- 1/4 cup chopped fresh cilantro or parsley
- 2 tablespoons sliced almonds, toasted (optional)

#### **For the Citrus Vinaigrette**

- Juice of 1 lime
- Juice of 1 lemon
- 3 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil
- 1 teaspoon Dijon mustard
- Salt and pepper, to taste

#### **Instructions**

- 1. In a large bowl, combine the mixed salad greens, sliced avocados, grapefruit segments, orange segments, thinly sliced red onion, and fresh cilantro or parsley.
- 2.In a small bowl, whisk together the lime juice, lemon juice, extra virgin olive oil, Dijon mustard, salt, and pepper until well emulsified.
- 3. Drizzle the citrus vinaigrette over the salad just before serving.
- 4. Toss gently to coat the salad ingredients evenly with the vinaigrette.
- 5. If using sliced almonds, toast them in a dry skillet over medium heat until they are golden brown and fragrant. Keep a close eye on them, as they can burn quickly.
- 6. Sprinkle the toasted almonds over the salad.





## Main

### **Baked Lemon Garlic White Fish**

#### **Ingredients**

- 4 white fish fillets (such as cod, haddock, or tilapia)
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 3 cloves garlic, minced
- Zest and juice of 1 lemon
- 1 teaspoon dried oregano
- Salt and pepper, to taste
- Fresh parsley, chopped, for garnish
- Lemon slices, for garnish



- 1. Preheat your oven to 375°F (190°C).
- 2. Place the fish fillets in a baking dish lined with parchment paper.
- 3. In a small bowl, whisk together olive oil, minced garlic, lemon zest, lemon juice, dried oregano, salt, and pepper.
- 4. Pour the lemon-garlic mixture over the fish fillets, ensuring they are well coated.
- 5. Cover the baking dish with foil and bake in the preheated oven for 15-20 minutes or until the fish is cooked through and flakes easily with a fork.
- 6. Remove the foil and broil for an additional 2-3 minutes to lightly brown the top.
- 7. Garnish with chopped fresh parsley and lemon slices before serving.

# **Sides**

# **Keto Stuffing Ingredients**

- 2 cups almond flour
- 1/2 cup unsalted butter
- 1 cup celery, diced
- 1/2 cup onion, diced
- 2 teaspoons poultry seasoning
- Salt and pepper, to taste
- 1/2 cup chicken or vegetable broth

#### **Instructions**

- 1.In a skillet, melt the butter over medium heat. Add diced celery and onion. Cook until softened, about 5 minutes.
- 2. Stir in almond flour and poultry seasoning. Cook, stirring constantly, for 2-3 minutes.
- 3. Gradually add chicken or vegetable broth while stirring until the stuffing reaches your desired consistency.
- 4. Season with salt and pepper to taste.



### **Garlic Parmesan Green Beans**

#### **Ingredients**

- Fresh green beans, trimmed
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- Salt and pepper, to taste
- Grated Parmesan cheese, for garnish

#### **Instructions**

- 1.In a skillet, heat olive oil over medium heat. Add minced garlic and sauté until fragrant.
- 2. Add green beans to the skillet and toss to coat in the garlic oil.
- 3. Cook the green beans, stirring occasionally, until they are tender yet still crisp, about 5-7 minutes.
- 4. Season with salt and pepper.
- 5. Transfer to a serving dish and sprinkle with grated Parmesan cheese before serving.

#### **Cauliflower Mash**

#### **Ingredients**

- 1 head cauliflower, cut into florets
- 2-3 cloves garlic, minced
- 2 tablespoons butter
- 1/4 cup heavy cream
- Salt and pepper, to taste



#### Instructions

- Steam or boil the cauliflower until very tender.
- Drain the cauliflower and transfer it to a food processor.
- Add minced garlic, butter, heavy cream, salt, and pepper.
- Blend until smooth and creamy, resembling the texture of mashed potatoes.
- Adjust seasoning to taste and serve hot.

## **Drinks**

# **Citrus Mint Sparkler**

#### **Ingredients**

- Fresh citrus slices (lemons, limes, or oranges)
- Fresh mint leaves
- Sparkling water or soda water
- Ice cubes

#### Instructions

- 1.In a glass, muddle a few citrus slices and mint leaves to release their flavors.
- 2. Add ice cubes to the glass.
- 3. Pour sparkling water over the citrus slices and mint.
- 4. Sweeten if desired.
- 5. Stir gently and garnish with a mint sprig.
- 6. Serve chilled.



# Ginger and Lemon Sparkler Ingredients

- Lemons
- Sugar-Free Ginger Infusion (homemade)
- Sparkling water or soda water
- Ice cubes

#### Instructions

- 1. Peel and thinly slice or grate fresh ginger for the infusion.
- 2. In a saucepan, combine the ginger with some water.
- 3. Bring the mixture to a simmer over medium heat.
- 4. Let it simmer for about 15-20 minutes to extract the ginger flavor into the water.
- 5. Remove from heat and let it cool.
- 6. Strain the ginger from the liquid.
- 7. In a glass add 25 ml of lemon juice
- 8. Add ice cubes to the glass.
- 9. Pour sparkling water over the lemon.
- 10. Add a splash of sugar-free ginger infusion to taste.
- 11. Stir gently to blend the flavors.
- 12. Garnish with a lemon wheel.



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