

CHEESY CHICKEN AND PUMPKIN BAKE (SERVES 4)

INGREDIENTS

Canola oil spray

1 butternut pumpkin

2 cloves garlic

1 teaspoon balsamic vinegar

Mixed herbs to taste

600g skinless chicken breast or thigh fillets

400g can crushed tomatoes

1 cup grated cheese (reduced fat, if available)

UTENSILS

Clean paper towel or cloth

Knife

Chopping board

Baking dish
Baking paper
Wooden spoon

Large bowl



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OPTIONS

To add extra serves of vegetables to your meal you could you can add any additional vegetables available just before baking.

METHOD

- 1. Preheat oven to 180°C and line baking dish with baking paper. Lightly spray the baking paper with canola oil.
- 2. Wash and dry vegetables thoroughly. To do this rinse vegetables well with cool water, being sure to remove any dirt or residue. Pat dry using a clean paper towel or cloth.
- 3. Peel pumpkin and cut into 3cm cubes, then peel and crush garlic cloves.
- 4. Using a wooden spoon, combine the diced pumpkin, garlic, balsamic vinegar and mixed herbs in a bowl.
- 5. Spread the mixture into a lined baking dish and bake for 20 minutes until the pump-kin has softened, then carefully remove from oven.
- 6. Trim and cut the chicken into small bite-sized pieces. Place the chicken on top of the pumpkin mix and cover with crushed tomato. Add any extra vegetables and bake for 30 minutes.
- 7. Remove from the oven and sprinkle cheese over the top and return to the oven for 10 minutes to melt.
- 8. Once cooked divide between four bowls to serve. You can garnish with fresh chopped herbs if desired.