

Mushroom Bake

Many Cornish people, especially miners and fisherman, had simple diets that depended on affordable and nourishing ingredients. Vegetables were a staple, often combined with dairy, grains, or occasional meat. Many Cornish families also grew their own vegetables and relied on what was available seasonally.



Prep: 25 min Cook: 1 hr Total: 1:25 hrs Servings: 4 Oven: 425°

Ingredients

1/4 cup butter

1/4 cup all-purpose flour

1 1/2 cups milk

1 cup grated Cheddar cheese, divided

1/2 lb mushrooms, cleaned and thinly sliced

2 onions, peeled and thinly sliced

1/4 cup bread crumbs

1/2 tsp salt

1/4 tsp ground black pepper

Directions

- 1. Preheat oven to 425 degrees. Lightly oil a 3-quart casserole dish or pan.
- 2. In a medium saucepan, melt the butter over medium heat. Whisk in the flour until smooth.
- 3. Whisk in the milk until smooth and creamy. Cook, while whisking, for 5 minutes. It will thicken as you whisk.
- 4. Remove the saucepan from the heat and stir in 3/4 cup grated Cheddar cheese until it has melted. Stir in the mushrooms and the onions.
- 5. Spoon the mixture into the prepared casserole dish and top with the remaining cheese.
- 6. In a small bowl, combine the bread crumbs, salt, and pepper. Sprinkle the bread crumb mix atop the cheese.
- 7. Place in the oven and bake for 50 minutes.
- 8. Remove from the oven and let cool slightly before serving.