### **Pumpkin ricotta stuffed shells**



Recipe credit

Pumpkin Ricotta Stuffed Shells from Food Hero, Oregon State University, Cooperative Extension Service

## **About this recipe**

Serves

12

Serving size

1 stuffed shell

Time to make

Cook time: 45 minutes; Preparation time: 20 minutes

#### **Ingredients**

- 12 jumbo pasta shells (about 6 ounces)
- 1 1/4 cups ricotta cheese, part skim
- 3/4 cup pumpkin
- 1/2 teaspoon garlic powder (or 2 cloves garlic, minced)
- 2 tablespoons basil
- 1/4 teaspoon sage, dried
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon pepper
- 1/2 cup grated parmesan cheese, divided
- 1 cup spaghetti sauce (low sodium)

#### **Directions**

- 1. Wash hands with soap and water.
- 2. Preheat oven to 350 degrees F.
- Cook pasta shells according to package directions. Drain and place each on a baking sheet to cool.
- 4. In a medium bowl, stir together ricotta, pumpkin, spices and all but 1 Tablespoon of the cheese. Reserve the 1 Tablespoon cheese for topping.
- 5. Spread pasta sauce in the bottom of a baking dish that holds all the shells in a single layer. Fill each shell with about 3 Tablespoons of pumpkin mixture and place shells close together on top of the sauce.
- 6. Cover pan with foil and bake for 30 minutes. Remove foil, sprinkle with remaining cheese and bake for 15 minutes more.
- 7. Refrigerate leftovers within 2 hours.

### Tips and variations

- Freeze unused pumpkin and add to soup, chili or pancake recipes.
- Learn more about pumpkin.

#### **Nutritional info**

Calories

103

Total fat

4 g

Saturated fat

2 g

Cholesterol

11 mg

Sodium

211 mg

Total carbohydrates

12 g

Dietary fiber

1 g

Protein

6 g

Total sugar

2 g

Allergens

Dairy

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