

International Year of the Potato

The year 2008 has been declared the International Year of the Potato by the United Nations, noting that the potato is a staple food in the diet of the world's population, and affirming the need

to focus world attention on the role that the potato can play in providing food security and eradicating poverty.

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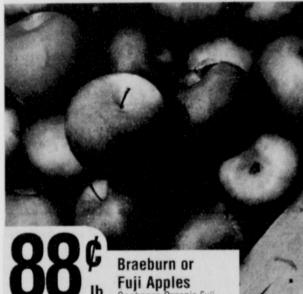
Only a few other foods are as nutritious, delicious and versatile as the potato. Not only does a potato give you an energizing supply of complex carbohydrates, but it also provides protein and important vitamins and minerals, including potassium, copper, manganese, and vitamins B6 and C. For a substantial helping of fiber, eat potatoes with the skin. February is National Potato Lovers Month; celebrate with one of these delicious recipes.



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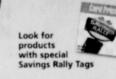
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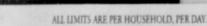












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Potato **Nachos**

"Nachos are popular among kids and teens alike. Try this healthy twist for your next nacho noshing festivities."

Ingredients

- 1/2 pounds russet potatoes
- 1 1/2 tablespoons vegetable oil
- 1/2 teaspoon garlic salt
- · 1 teaspoon Mexican seasoning blend
- · 1 cup Mexican blend shredded cheese
- 1/4 cup rinsed and drained canned black beans
- 1/4 cup diced tomatoes
- 1/4 cup sliced black olives
- 1/4 cup sliced green onions
- 3 tablespoons canned diced green chiles
- Salsa, guacamole and sour cream (optional)

- 1. Preheat oven to 425F. Scrub potatoes and cut into 1/2-inch thick wedges. Place potatoes into a medium size bowl with the oil, garlic salt and Mexican seasoning.
- 2. Stir well to coat potatoes with oil and seasonings. Transfer to a large baking sheet and spread into a single layer.
- 3. Bake for 25 to 30 minutes, stirring several times, until crisp and golden brown.
- 4. Top with cheese, beans, tomatoes, olives, onions and chiles. 5. Bake for 5 minutes more to melt cheese. Serve with salsa, guacamole and sour cream.

Pork and Sweet Potato Harvest Supper



"Savor a busynight skillet meal with favorite apples, pork, sweet potatoes and, yes, maple syrup!"

Ingredients

- · 2 tablespoons margarine or butter
- · 1 lb. boneless pork, cut into thin bite-sized strips
- 3 cups cut (1-inch pieces) cabbage
- 2 medium or 1 large sweet potato, peeled, halved and sliced (3 cups)
- · 2 medium fresh green apples, peeled, sliced · 1 teaspoon Caribbean or Jamaican jerk seasoning
- 1/2 cup maple-flavored syrup

Directions

1. Melt margarine in large skillet over medium-high heat. Add pork; cook and stir 15 to 25 minutes or until lightly browned and no longer pink in

2. Reduce heat to medium. Add cabbage, sweet potatoes, apples and jerk seasoning; stir gently to mix. Cover; cook 10 to 20 minutes or until vegetables are tender, stirring occasionally. Add syrup; stir gently to mix.

SUNDAY SLOW COOKER COLLECTION

Creamy Potato Soup

"Enjoy this easy, flavorful, heart-healthy creamy potato soup."



Ingredients • 6 slices bacon, cut into 1/2

- inch pieces
- · 1 onion, finely chopped
- 2 (10-1/2 ounce) cans condensed chicken broth
- · 2 cups water
- 5 large potatoes, diced • 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon dried dill weed
- 1/2 teaspoon ground black pepper · 2 cups half-and-half
- 1/2 cup all-purpose flour
- 1 (12 ounce) can evaporated milk

Directions

- 1. Place bacon and onion in a large, deep skillet. Cook over mediumhigh heat until bacon is evenly brown and onions are soft. Drain off excess grease.
- 2. Transfer the bacon and onion to a slow cooker, and stir in chicken broth, water, potatoes, salt, dill weed and white pepper.
- 3. Cover and cook on Low 6 to 7 hours, stirring occasionally.
- 4. In a small bowl, whisk together the half-and-half and flour. Stir into
- the soup along with the evaporated milk. 5. Cover and cook another 30 minutes before serving. Garnish with shredded cheddar and green onions; serve with hearty bread.