Grilled Squash and Eggplant Planks

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Servings: 4

Thyme and Pepper Walnuts 1 teaspoon olive oil 2 tablespoons walnuts, coarsely chopped 1/4 teaspoon thyme 1/8 teaspoon pepper Squash and Eggplant Planks 1/2 medium eggplant, split lengthwise 1 medium yellow summer squash 1 medium zucchini 1/4 cup olive oil 2 teaspoons lemon zest 1/4 cup lemon juice 1 tablespoon fresh thyme, chopped 1 tablespoon honey 2 cloves garlic, minced 1/2 teaspoon cracked black pepper 1/4 teaspoon salt 1/2 cup ricotta cheese 1/3 cup finely grated Parmesan cheese

Preparation Time: 30 minutes Marinate Time: 2 hours

Make the Thyme and Pepper Walnuts: In a medium skillet, heat the olive oil over medium heat. Add the walnuts and toss to coat. Cook and stir for 3 to 5 minutes or until toasted and fragrant. Add the thyme and pepper. Toss to coat. Set aside.

For the planks, slice the half eggplant crosswise into 1/2-inch-thick slices. Trim and slice the summer squash and zucchini diagonally into 1/2-inch-thick slices similar in size to the eggplant. Place the slices in a large resealable plastic bag set in a shallow dish.

In a small bowl, combine the olive oil, lemon zest, lemon juice, thyme, honey, garlic, pepper and salt. Set aside one tablespoon of the mixture. Pour the remaining mixture over the vegetables. Seal the bag and turn to coat. Marinate in the refrigerator for two to eight hours.

Drain the vegetables, discarding the marinade. In a small bowl, combine the ricotta cheese, Parmesan cheese and the reserved tablespoon of the marinade.

For a gas or charcoal grill, place the vegetables on the rack of a grill directly over medium heat. Cover and grill for 5 to 8 minutes or until tender and lightly browned, turning once.

Transfer the vegetables to a platter. Spoon the ricotta mixture on top of each vegeatble plank.

Top with the Thyme and pepper Walnuts.

Per Serving (excluding unknown items): 253 Calories; 21g Fat (71.5% calories from fat); 6g Protein; 13g Carbohydrate; 3g Dietary Fiber; 16mg Cholesterol; 163mg Sodium. Exchanges: 0 Grain(Starch); 1/2 Lean Meat; 1 Vegetable; 0 Fruit; 4 Fat; 1/2 Other Carbohydrates.

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Food Exchanges	
Grain (Starch):	0
Lean Meat:	1/2
Vegetable:	1
Fruit:	0
Non-Fat Milk:	0
Fat:	4
Other Carbohydrates:	1/2

Nutrition Facts

Servings per Recipe: 4

Amount Per Serving	
Calories 253	Calories from Fat: 181
	% Daily Values*
Total Fat 21g	32%
Saturated Fat 5g	24%
Cholesterol 16mg	5%
Sodium 163mg	7%
Total Carbohydrates 13g	4%
Dietary Fiber 3g	10%
Protein 6g	
Vitamin A	8%
Vitamin C	26%
Calcium	9%
Iron	6%

* Percent Daily Values are based on a 2000 calorie diet.