Create A Casserole (Contemporary Strata)

Better Homes and Gardens All-Time Favorite Casseroles

Servings: 6

BREAD SUGGESTIONS white bread whole wheat bread rye bread SOUP SUGGESTIONS cream of celery cream of mushroom cream of chicken Cheddar cheese

MEAT SUGGESTIONS

beef
pork
ham
chicken or turkey
tuna (9 1/4 ounce can)

SEASONING SUGGESTIONS

1/4 teaspoon dried thyme, crushed (with beef)

1/4 teaspoon caraway seed (with ham)

1/2 teaspoon dried sage, crushed (with chicken or turkey)

5 cups (about 7 slices) cubed day-old bread 2 cups finely chopped or ground cooked meat 1/4 cup green pepper, chopped 2 tablespoons onion, very finely chopped 4 eggs 1 can (10 3/4 oz) condensed soup 1 1/4 cups milk 1/2 cup mayonnaise seasoning (optional) dash cayenne

2 tablespoons butter or margarine, melted

Preheat oven to 325 degrees.

Place 2 cups of the bread cubes in an 8x8x2-inch baking dish. Combine meat, green pepper and onion; sprinkle over bread in dish. Top with another 2 cups bread cubes.

Beat eggs; combine with soup, milk, mayonnaise, seasoning and cayenne. Pour venly over ingredients in baking dish. Cover and chill for 1 to 3 hours.

Toss remaining 1 cup bread cubes with melted butter; sprinkle on top of mixture. Bake, uncovered, until knife inserted just off-center comes out clean, about 50-60 minutes.

Let stand 5 minutes before serving. Sprinkle with snipped parsley, if desired.

Per Serving (excluding unknown items): 249 Calories; 24g Fat (85.2% calories from fat); 6g Protein; 3g Carbohydrate; trace Dietary Fiber; 165mg Cholesterol; 215mg Sodium. Exchanges: 1/2 Lean Meat; 0 Vegetable; 0 Non-Fat Milk; 2 1/2 Fat.