Warm Artichoke and Bacon Dip

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Butter (for greasing the baking dish)
5 strips thick-cut bacon
1 teaspoon extra-virgin olive oil
(optional)
2 shallots, chopped
2 cloves garlic, minced
1 bag (8 ounce) frozen artichokes,
thawed
1 1/2 teaspoons Kosher salt
1/2 teaspoon freshly ground black
pepper
2 cups (16 ounce) mascarpone cheese
1/3 cup sour cream
1/4 cup mayonnaise
1/4 cup fresh lemon juice (from one
large lemon)

Place an oven rack in the center of the oven. Preheat the oven to 400 degrees.

Butter a nine-inch round ceramic deep-dish pie pan or a one-quart baking dish.

Place a large skillet over medium-high heat. Add the oil and bacon and cook until crispy, about 8 minutes.

Remove the bacon and drain on paper towels. When cool enough to handle, crumble into 1/2-inch pieces. Set aside.

In the same skillet, add oil (if needed), shallots, garlic, artichokes, 1/2 teaspoon of salt and 1/2 teaspoon of pepper. Cook over medium-high heat until the shallots are translucent and the artichokes begin to brown, about 8 minutes.

Transfer the vegetables to a food processor. Add the mascarpone cheese, sour cream, mayonnaise, lemon juice, 1/2 of the cooked bacon pieces and the remaining one teaspoon of salt. Pulse until combined but still chunky.

Place the dip in the prepared baking dish and sprinkle with the remaining bacon pieces.

Bake until just warmed through (do not let the dip boil), 10 minutes.

Serve with pita chips.

Per Serving (excluding unknown items): 888 Calories; 89g Fat (86.3% calories from fat); 10g Protein; 22g Carbohydrate; 5g Dietary Fiber; 131mg Cholesterol; 3271mg Sodium. Exchanges: 0 Grain(Starch); 1/2 Lean Meat; 3 Vegetable; 0 Non-Fat Milk; 12 Fat.

Appetizers

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Calories (kcal):	888	Vitamin B6 (mg):	.5mg
% Calories from Fat:	86.3%	Vitamin B12 (mcg):	.4mcg
% Calories from Carbohydrates:	9.3%	Thiamin B1 (mg):	.1mg
% Calories from Protein:	4.4%	Riboflavin B2 (mg):	.3mg
Total Fat (g):	89g	Folacin (mcg):	180mcg
Saturated Fat (g):	17g	Niacin (mg):	1mg
Monounsaturated Fat (g):	17g	Caffeine (mg):	0mg
Polyunsaturated Fat (g):	24g	Alcohol (kcal):	0 0 0%
Cholesterol (mg):	131mg	V. Danien	11117/4
Carbohydrate (g):	22g	Food Exchanges	
Dietary Fiber (g):	5g	Grain (Starch):	0
Protein (g):	10g	Lean Meat:	1/2
Sodium (mg):	3271mg	Vegetable:	3
Potassium (mg):	550mg	Fruit:	0
Calcium (mg):	145mg	Non-Fat Milk:	0
Iron (mg):	2mg	Fat:	12
Zinc (mg):	1mg	Other Carbohydrates:	0
Vitamin C (mg):	11mg	·	
Vitamin A (i.u.):	3450IU		
Vitamin A (r.e.):	480RE		

Nutrition Facts

Amount Pe	r Servina
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Calories 888	Calories from Fat: 766
	% Daily Values*
Total Fat 89g	138%
Saturated Fat 17g	83%
Cholesterol 131mg	44%
Sodium 3271mg	136%
Total Carbohydrates	22g 7%
Dietary Fiber 5g	22%
Protein 10g	
Vitamin A	69%
Vitamin C	19%
Calcium	15%
Iron	9%_

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