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Quesadilla Cheesy Tortillas

150g grated cheese

4 flour tortillas

Hot or tomato sauce (optional, for serving)

Optional guacamole or salsa (see below) or sour cream

A sweet treat could include chocolate, butterscotch or caramel

Equipment: barbeque tongs, serving dish

Method:

- 1. Create a double layer of foil for each tortilla.
- 2. Place a tortilla in the centre of each foil.
- 3. Place cheese (and any other fillings) on one half of the tortilla and fold it in half.
- 4. Bring the edges of foil together and crimp edges to seal the parcel.
- 5. Place foil parcels side by side onto the grill or in the embers and cook for around 5 minutes, rotating with tongs occasionally.
- 6. Carefully remove 1 parcel from the heat and check if cheese is melted returning it to the heat if necessary. Serve with sauce, if desired.

Guacamole

1 ripe avocado

1 lime

1 clove of garlic

Optional: chopped tomato flesh

Equipment: chopping board, vegetable knife, mixing bowl, lemon squeezer, garlic press, fork, serving dish, a plate.

Method:

- 1. Halve the avocado, remove the stone, peel and place in the mixing bowl.
- 2. Cut the lime in half and squeeze the juice from one half of the lime into the mixing bowl.
- 3. Peel and crush the garlic then add it to the other ingredients.
- 4. Mash all the ingredients together with the fork and serve.
- 5. Serve with guesadilla or grilled tortilla bread cut into triangles

Salsa

½ cucumber

2 tomatoes

1 or 2 spring onions cut into small pieces with scissors

4 tablespoons of chopped fresh mint leaves and parsley

1 x 10ml olive oil

1 lemon

Equipment: Chopping board, vegetable knife, kitchen scissors, mixing bowl, lemon juicer, small bowl, a 10ml spoon, a 5ml spoon, serving dish.

Method:

- 1. Chop cucumber and tomato into rough cubes.
- 2. Halve the lemon, use the juicer to squeeze the juice from one half and pour it into a small bowl.
- 3. Place all the chopped ingredients into a mixing bowl and add the olive oil and a 5ml spoon of the lemon juice.
- 4. Mix all the ingredients together.
- 5. Cover and leave in the fridge for 1 hour before eating.

Damper bread

250g self-raising flour

100ml water

40g caster sugar

Chocolate spread or jam

Equipment: a bowl and spoon, foil-covered stick or stick with bark removed.

Method:

- 1. Mix the flour and sugar in a bowl.
- 2. Gradually add the water mixing after each addition, kneading the mixture into a soft dough.
- 3. Divide the dough into 5 or 6 equal sized pieces.
- 4. Create long thin 'sausages' of the dough by rolling it between hands.
- 5. Wrap it in a spiral around the stick.
- 6. Hold the stick over the heat, turning it regularly and checking for burning.
- 7. After about 10 minutes it should become lightly brown and hard to the touch.
- 8. The bread can be eaten on the stick, spreading it with syrup, honey, butter, jam or chocolate spread.
- 9. Alternatively, slide the damper bread off the stick and fill the centre with the chocolate spread or jam.
- 10. For a savoury version, substitute the sugar for a pinch of salt, and add some grated cheese or a touch of butter, garlic and herbs

Bruschetta

1 bagel or 4 thick slices of bread

3 chopped tomatoes

2-3 x basil leaves

1 x spring onion

Grated cheese or small ball of mozzarella

1 x garlic clove

Equipment: mixing bowl, kitchen scissors, dessert spoon, bread knife, chopping board, tongs or green sticks, plate.

Method:

- 1. Open and strain the canned tomatoes.
- 2. Tip the tomatoes into the mixing bowl.
- 3. Tear the basil leaves finely and add to the mixing bowl.
- 4. Snip the spring onion into the mixing bowl, using the kitchen scissors.
- 5. Stir all the ingredients together.
- 6. Slice the bagel in half, then cut each half through the middle
- 7. Using toasting prongs or green sticks toast the bagel quarters (or thick bread slices) on the fire.
- 8. Allow to cool on a plate.
- 9. Peel the garlic clove and rub it 2 or 3 times over each piece of bagel.
- 10. Spoon the tomato mixture onto each piece of bagel.
- 11. Sprinkle with grated cheese or place a small pieces of mozzarella on top of each piece of bruschetta.

Couscous

350ml water

 1×5 ml spoon of stock

200g couscous

2 spring onions (chopped)

½ yellow or red pepper chopped

½ cucumber chopped

2 medium tomatoes chopped

30ml mint and parsley

30ml low fat dressing

Equipment: Kelly kettle, or fire proof pot, measuring jug, measuring spoons, weighing scales, large bowl, fork, chopping board, sharp knife, scissors, mixing spoon.

Method:

- 1. Heat the water in the Kelly kettle or fire pot and measure 350ml into the measuring jug.
- 2. Add the stock to the water ensuring it dissolves
- 3. Pour the stock over the couscous in a large bowl.
- 4. With a fork lightly mix and leave to stand for 5 minutes.
- 5. Chop the tomatoes, pepper and cucumber into small chunks.
- 6. Add all the vegetables, mint and parsley to the couscous and snip the spring onions into small pieces into the bowl using the scissors.
- 7. Stir everything together.
- 8. Add the dressing.

Raita

150ml low fat plain yogurt

¹/₄ cucumber

4-5 sprigs of mint

Equipment: chopping board, grater, knife, mixing spoon, mixing bowl.

Method:

- 1. Carefully grate the cucumber.
- 2. Chop the mint.
- 3. Stir all the ingredients together in a mixing bowl.

Poached pears

2 pears

150ml water

300ml apple juice

10ml honey

Ricotta or crème fraise and pinch of cinnamon to accompany

Equipment: saucepan, measuring jug, measuring spoons.

Method:

- 1. Carefully peel the pears.
- 2. Place the water and apple juice in a pan and carefully add the pears.
- 3. Place on the fire and cook until soft, approximately 5-10 minutes.
- 4. Remove the pears from the pan and serve with a spoon of ricotta or crème fraise sprinkle with cinnamon and a drizzle of honey.

Banana fritters

3 or 4 ripe bananas One egg 1teaspoon of honey Self-raising flour (amount may vary) Caster sugar

Cooking oil (sunflower)

Equipment: fork, mixing bowl, frying pan or deep pot, fish slice, tongs, kitchen roll. Method:

- 1. Take three or four ripe bananas and mash roughly in a bowl.
- 2. Add an egg and a honey and mix
- 3. Gradually stir in the flour to make a thick batter.
- 4. Heat 2 inches of sunflower oil in a deep pot or frying pan over the fire.
- 5. When the oil is hot, gently place one spoonful into the oil, which should 'sizzle' if hot enough.
- 6. Turn the fritter over to cook on both sides.
- 7. When lightly browned, scoop them out and place onto kitchen roll to remove excess oil.
- 8. Sprinkle with a small amount of sugar and cinnamon.

Additional sources for nutritional information include: PHE The Eatwell Guide 2018 available from www.nhs.uk or www.gov.uk

Food - a fact of life available from https://www.foodafactoflife.org.uk/