



PUMPKIN SPICE FRENCH TOAST CASSEROLE

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INGREDIENTS

- 1 loaf baguette, torn into chunks or cubed
- 6 large eggs
- 2 1/2 cups milk
- 1 cup pumpkin puree
- 3/4 cup sugar
- 2 tablespoons vanilla extract
- 1 1/2 teaspoon pumpkin pie spice

Streusel:

- 1 1/4 cups flour
- 3/4 cup brown sugar
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/4 teaspoon ground nutmeg
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 8 tablespoons butter
- 1 cup pecans/walnuts, chopped

DIRECTIONS

1. Tear or cube the French bread and place in a greased 9x13 casserole dish.
2. Combine the eggs, milk, pumpkin puree, sugar, vanilla extract, and pumpkin pie spice to form a custard. Whisk until smooth.
3. Pour the pumpkin mixture over the bread, making sure to gently press down on the bread to soak as much as you can.
4. For the streusel mix the flour, brown sugar, cinnamon, nutmeg, and salt.
5. Add butter and work it into the flour mix with your fingers or using a fork until crumbly with pea-sized bits of butter. Add in the pecans and mix well.
6. Cover both and refrigerate separately overnight.
7. To bake, sprinkle the streusel over the top of the casserole and bake at 350 degrees for 45 minutes or until set. A knife inserted in the center should come out clean.
8. Let it rest for 10 minutes before serving.

AWARENESS MONTH

National Native American Heritage Month is celebrated each year in November. It is a time to celebrate the traditions, languages, and stories of Native American, Alaska Native, Native Hawaiian, and affiliated Island communities and ensure their rich histories and contributions continue to thrive with each passing generation. This month serves as an opportunity to raise awareness about the unique heritage of the first inhabitants of this land.

During National Native American Heritage Month, various events and activities take place across the country to highlight the traditions, languages, and artistry of Native American tribes. It is a chance for individuals to learn about the significant impact Native Americans have had on shaping the nation's past, present, and future.

As we celebrate National Native American Heritage Month, let us reflect on the resilience and strength of Native American communities. By acknowledging their contributions and preserving their cultural heritage, we can work towards fostering a more inclusive and understanding society for future generations.

For more information and resources visit:
<https://www.bia.gov/NNAHM>