

Spanakopita with silverbeet

Equipment

Scale

Cutting board and knife

Frying pan

Spatula

Baking tray

Baking paper

Ingredients

10 sheets filo pastry

1 bunch of silverbeet

1 red onion, finely chopped

2 spring onions

2 cloves of garlic

1 egg, beaten

100g feta cheese

a pinch of grated nutmeg

salt and pepper to taste

some melted butter or olive

oil for brushing

What to do

Preheat the oven to 180C

Task 1: Start by making the filling first

Start by making the filling first. Remove the thick white stem from the silverbeet and finely chop the remaining green leafy part. Peel and finely chop the onion, garlic and spring onions. Sauté the onion in some olive oil until soft and turning golden. Add the garlic and cook for a couple of minutes. Add the chopped silverbeet in batches and cook until wilted. Let the mixture cool down and drain in a collander for a while.

Task 2: Mix filling

In a large mixing bowl Crumble the feta cheese and add the beaten egg. Mix in the nutmeg, spring onion and season. At this point you can add some chopped fresh herbs if you like. Add the silverbeet mix to the egg mixture and stir.

Task 3: Assemble the spanakopita

Line the bottom of the baking tray with baking paper.

Layer (you may have to overlap) 5 sheets of filo pastry in the pan, lightly brushing each with melted butter before adding the next layer. Be careful to brush the edges so the pastry doesn't dry out. Spoon the silverbeet mixture into the pan on to the pastry and spread out evenly. Layer the final filo sheets on top of the mixture, brushing with melted butter again.

Task 4: Bake

Bake in preheated oven at 180C for 25-30 minutes, until golden and crispy.

