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Corn Bread Stuffing

Serves 8

Stuffing is a must at every Thanksgiving table! Our favorite stuffing gets it's distinct texture and flavor from easy-to-make, homemade corn bread in addition to dried stuffing croutons. Fresh herbs brighten up this dish that just might become a family favorite staple during the holidays.

Ingredients:

1/2 pan (9x13" pan) of corn bread, cut into 1" cubes (see our recipe below)

6 cups dried stuffing crouton, packaged

5 tablespoons butter, divided

1 large onion, diced (3 cups)

8 stalks celery, diced (3 cups)

2 tablespoons fresh sage, minced

1 tablespoon fresh rosemary, minced

2 - 2.5 cups chicken broth

Directions:

- 1. In a large sauté pan, cook the onions and celery in 2 tablespoons of butter until softened and translucent.
- 2. In a large bowl, mix together the cubed corn bread, croutons, sautéed celery and onion, rosemary, sage, kosher salt and pepper. Slowly add the broth and fold together until just moist.
- 3. Place the mixture in a large, greased casserole dish, and top with pats of the remaining butter. Cover with a lid or foil. (The stuffing may be made ahead of time and refrigerated until ready to bake; add an additional 15 minutes of baking time if the stuffing is starting from the chilled stage.)
- 4. Bake at 350°F for 30 minutes, then remove the cover/foil and continue baking for 10-15 minutes more, or until the top browns nicely.

Corn Bread Recipe

Plan to make the corn bread a day or two ahead of time. Enjoy half the pan that day, and reserve the other half for the stuffing!

Drv Mix:

2 cups flour 2 cups yellow corn meal 2 tablespoons baking powder 1/2 teaspoon salt 1/2 cup sugar

Wet Mix:

2 cups whole milk 2 eggs (well beaten) 1/3 cup canola oil

Cornbread Directions:

- 1. Preheat the oven to 400°F. Prepare a 9 x 13 baking pan by greasing and/or lining with parchment paper.
- 2. Mix the dry ingredients together in a large bowl. Mix the wet ingredients together in another bowl, then combine the two mixes together until just evenly combined. Resist the urge to over mix.
- 3. Pour the batter into the prepared baking pan. Bake for 20 minutes or until the top is golden brown and a toothpick inserted into the center of the corn bread comes out dry, or with just a few crumbs.