GUILTLESS GREEN BEAN CASSEROLE

SERVE: 10

TOTAL TIME: 65 MIN

INGREDIENTS

1 1/2 pound fresh, trimmed green beans

2 tbsp margarine

3 tbsp all-purpose flour

1 tbsp dry ranch-style dressing mix

1/4 tsp pepper

1 1/2 cup skim milk

1/2 cup chopped onion

2 cloves minced garlic

1 1/2 cup sliced mushrooms

1 cup soft whole wheat bread crumbs



DIRECTIONS

- 1. Preheat oven to 375 degrees F. In a covered saucepan, cook green beans in a small amount of boiling water for 8-10 minutes or until crisp-tender; drain and set aside.
- 2. Meanwhile, for white sauce, in a medium saucepan over medium heat, melt butter. Stir in flour, dry dressing mix, and pepper until combined. Stir in milk. Cook and stir until thickened and bubbly; remove from heat.
- 3. Coat a nonstick skillet with cooking spray. Preheat over medium heat. Add onion and garlic; cook 2-3 minutes or until tender. Remove half of the onion mixture; set aside.
- 4. Add mushrooms to skillet and cook about 5 minutes or until tender.
- 5. In a 1-1/2 qt. casserole, combine mushrooms, green beans, and white sauce. In a small bowl, stir together reserved onion mixture and bread crumbs. Sprinkle bread crumb mixture over green bean mixture in casserole.
- 6. Bake, uncovered, for 25 to 30 minutes, or until heated through.