

Cooking with Ground Turkey





## Turkey Taco Cups

### SERVES: 8-12 | PREP TIME: 15 MINS | COOK TIME: 20 MINS

#### **INGREDIENTS:**

Taco Cups:

2 lbs | 500 g Ground Turkey 1 tbsp | 15 ml canola oil

1 cup | 250 ml yellow onion, minced

1 tsp | 5 ml salt 1/4 tsp | 1.25 ml pepper

1 cup | 250 ml crushed tomatoes, tinned

1 tbsp | 15 ml chili powder
1 tbsp | 15 ml ground cumin
1/2 tsp | 2.5 ml garlic powder
1/2 tsp | 2.5 ml onion powder
1/2 tsp | 2.5 ml paprika

1/4 tsp | 1.25 ml red pepper flakes (optional)

large tortilla, cut into quarters

Toppings:

1/2 cup | 25 ml sour cream

1/2 cup | 25 mliceberg lettuce, shredded12cherry tomatoes, sliced24jalapeno slices (optional)1 cup | 25 mlTex-mex cheese, shredded

### **DIRECTIONS:**

- 1. Preheat oven to 325°F (165°C).
- 2. Heat canola oil over medium heat in a large skillet.
- 3. Sauté onions for 4-6 minutes until lightly browned.
- 4. Add ground turkey. Season with salt and pepper. Cook until lightly browned and cooked through, about 8-10 minutes.
- 5. Add crushed tomatoes and spices and stir to incorporate. Cook for an additional 5 minutes then set turkey mixture aside to cool.
- 6. Take each piece of tortilla and press into the muffin cup of a muffin tin to create a cup. Bake for 10-12 minutes until browned and crispy.
- 7. To assemble, place 1 1/2-2 tbsp of ground turkey mixture into each cup. Top with 1-1 1/2 tsp sour cream, lettuce, cherry tomato slices, jalapeno slices and cheese.
- 8. Serve at room temperature.

# Turkey Cheddar Spinach Dip

### SERVES: 10 | PREP TIME: 10 MINS | COOK TIME: 15 MINS

### **INGREDIENTS:**

1 lb | 450 g Ground Turkey

1/3 cup | 85 ml shallots, finely chopped

2 tbsp | 30 ml canola oil

2 tbsp | 30 ml garlic, finely chopped

2 cups | 500 ml fresh packed baby spinach, finely chopped

1/2 cup | 65 ml35% cream (whipping cream)3/4 cup | 175 mlaged white cheddar, shredded3/4 cup | 175 mlsmoked cheddar, shredded

1/2 tsp | 2.5 ml sea salt

1/4 tsp | 1.25 mlground black pepper1/2 tsp | 2.5 mlmustard powder4 dashesWorcestershire sauce1/4 cup | 65 ml14% sour cream

sourdough bread bowl (optional)

paprika

### **DIRECTIONS:**

- 1. Sauté turkey, shallots and garlic in canola oil in a medium sized pot over medium-high heat until lightly browned.
- 2. Add spinach and cream. Stir and continue cooking until spinach is cooked and cream is simmering.
- Remove from heat and add cheeses, sea salt, ground black pepper, mustard powder and Worcestershire sauce. Continue to stir until the cheese is melted. Fold in sour cream.
- 4. Spoon mixture into a sourdough bread bowl and sprinkle with paprika. Serve warm.



WITH 28 GRAMS OF PROTEIN PER SERVING, GROUND TURKEY IS EXTRA LEAN, YET IT'S STILL MOIST MAKING IT IDEAL FOR ANY GROUND MEAT RECIPE.





## Green Goodness Turkey Sliders

### SERVES: 6-8 | PREP TIME: 25 MINS | COOK TIME: 10 MINS

### **INGREDIENTS:**

2 tbsp | 30 ml oyster sauce

1 tbsp | 15 ml tamari (or light soy sauce)

2 tbsp | 30 ml water

#### **DIRECTIONS:**

- Sauté onions over medium heat until translucent and lightly browned, about 4-6 minutes. Remove from heat and let cool.
- 2. In a large bowl, add turkey and season with salt and pepper.
- 3. Add all other ingredients including cooked onions. Mix to incorporate.
- 4. Take a half cup of turkey mixture and roll gently to create a rough ball. Flatten to desired thickness and place on a sheet of wax paper over a large plate or tray. Repeat. There should be 8-12 patties.
- 5. Place the tray of patties in the freezer for 60 minutes to firm up. This will help the sliders keep their shape on the barbecue.
- 6. Remove from the freezer and barbecue immediately. Barbecue the patties over medium-high heat until a meat thermometer inserted into the thickest part of the meat reads 165°F (75°C) and is no longer pink, approximately 4-6 minutes per side.



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## Turkey Rice Salad

### SERVES: 8 | PREP TIME: 5 MINS | COOK TIME: 15 MINS

#### **INGREDIENTS:**

Salad:

1 lb | 450 g **Ground Turkey** 1 cup | 250 ml long grain rice 1/2 cup | 125 ml onion, finely chopped

1 tbsp | 15 ml olive oil

garlic, finely chopped 1 tbsp | 15 ml

3/4 cup | 175 ml guacamole 1 cup | 250 ml sour cream 1 cup | 250 ml salsa

1 cup | 250 ml cheddar cheese, shredded

1 can | 68 g black olives, sliced 1/2 cups | 125 ml green onions, sliced

medium tomato, chopped

Spice Mixture:

1 tsp | 5 ml cumin, ground

1/2 tsp | 2.5 ml coriander seed, ground 1/2 tsp | 2.5 ml oregano, dried flakes

1 tbsp | 15 ml paprika 1 tsp | 5 ml salt

### **DIRECTIONS:**

- For spice mixture, combine all spices in a small bowl. Mix well.
- 2. Cook rice according to package instructions, adding 1 teaspoon of the spice mixture and then set it aside to cool and chill in refrigerator.
- 3. In a large skillet over medium-high heat, sauté the ground turkey and onion in olive oil for 5-6 minutes or until meat is no longer pink.
- 4. Stir in garlic and remaining spice mixture and stir for 2 more minutes. Set aside to cool and chill in the refrigerator.
- 5. To assemble, in a large bowl or pie plate, layer prepared rice, turkey mixture and then guacamole. Next, add a layer of sour cream, salsa, cheese, olives, onion, and then tomato.
- Serve cold.





## Hoisin & Peanut Turkey Meatballs

### SERVES: 4 | PREP TIME: 10 MINS | COOK TIME: 30 MINS

### **INGREDIENTS:**

Meatballs:

1 lb | 450 g Ground Turkey

1/4 cup | 60 ml yellow onion, chopped

2 tbsp | 30 ml garlic, minced 1 tsp | 5 ml ginger root, grated

1 medium egg, beaten
1/3 cup | 80 ml crushed peanuts
to taste salt and pepper
to serve jasmine rice

to serve green onions, chopped to serve peanuts, crushed

Peanut Hoisin Sauce:

1 tbsp | 15 ml sesame oil 1/2 cup | 125 ml hoisin sauce

1/2 cup | 125 ml smooth peanut butter

2 tbsp | 30 ml water

1 tbsp | 15 ml chili garlic sauce (optional)

### **DIRECTIONS:**

#### Meatballs:

- 1. Preheat the oven to 350°F (175°C).
- 2. In a medium mixing bowl, mix turkey, yellow onion, garlic, ginger, egg, crushed peanuts and salt and pepper.
- 3. Roll turkey mixture into meatballs, roundly 1-1 1/2-inch meatballs. Place on a parchment lined baking sheet.
- 4. Bake meatballs for 20 minutes or until the internal temperature reaches 165°F (75°C) with a meat thermometer.
- 5. Place cooked meatballs on a bed of rice and spoon peanut hoisin sauce over.
- 6. Top with extra crushed peanuts and chopped green onions.

#### Peanut Hoisin Sauce:

- 1. Heat a small saucepan over medium heat.
- 2. Mix sesame oil, hoisin sauce, smooth peanut butter, water and garlic chili sauce.
- 3. Heat and stir until peanut butter has melted and is mixed throughout.

## Best Ever Turkey Chili

### SERVES: 4 | PREP TIME: 10 MINS | COOK TIME: 40 MINS

### **INGREDIENTS:**

1 lb | 450 g Ground Turkey
1 onion, chopped
1 clove garlic, minced
1/2 cup | 125 ml celery, chopped
1 can | 796 ml tomatoes
1 can | 156 ml tomato paste

1 tbsp | 15 ml Worcestershire sauce

1 tbsp | 15 ml chili powder 1 tsp | 5 ml paprika 1 tsp | 5 ml cumin

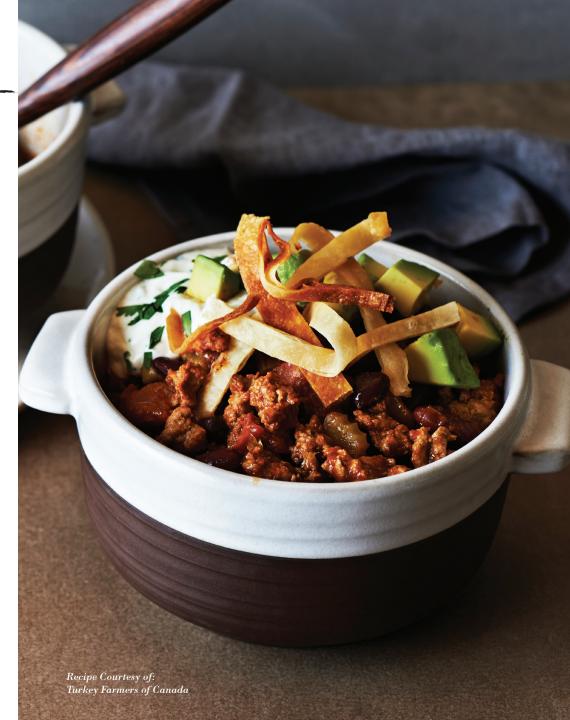
1 can | 540 ml red kidney beans, drained

### **DIRECTIONS:**

- 1. Heat a large non-stick skillet over medium heat.
- 2. Combine the ground turkey, onion, and garlic and cook for 10 minutes, stirring and separating the turkey as it cooks.
- 3. Add the celery, tomatoes, tomato paste, Worcestershire sauce, chili powder, paprika and cumin to the turkey mixture. Bring it to a boil.
- 4. Reduce the heat and simmer for 20-25 minutes, stirring occasionally to break up the tomatoes.
- 5. Add the beans and cook for 5 more minutes to heat through.
- 6. Serve warm.



MAKE CRUNCHY TORTILLA STRIPS AS A FUN AND TASTY SIDE FOR YOUR CHILI: CUT SOFT TORTILLAS INTO THIN STRIPS THEN QUICKLY FRY THE STRIPS WITH 1 TBSP (15 ML) OF OIL ON MEDIUM-HIGH HEAT.





# One-Pot Turkey Lasagna

SERVES: 4 | PREP TIME: 10 MINS | COOK TIME: 25 MINS

### **INGREDIENTS:**

1 lbs | 250 g Ground Turkey 1/2 cup | 25 ml yellow onion, diced

1 tsp | 5 ml salt

1/2 tsp | 2.5 ml pepper

1 tsp | 5 ml garlic, minced

1 1/2 cups | 375 ml canned crushed tomatoes

1 tbsp | 15 ml Italian seasoning

2 cups | 500 ml turkey or chicken broth

1 cup | 250 ml water

1/2 box (10 noodles) lasagna noodles, uncooked, broken into thirds

 $\begin{array}{lll} 1~\text{cup} \mid 250~\text{ml} & \text{spinach, roughly chopped} \\ 1~\text{cup} \mid 250~\text{ml} & \text{mozzarella cheese, shredded} \\ 1/4~\text{cup} \mid 60~\text{ml} & \text{fresh parsley, roughly chopped} \end{array}$ 

### **DIRECTIONS:**

- 1. Heat a large skillet or medium pot over medium heat.
- 2. Add turkey and onions. Cook untill no longer pink. Season with salt and pepper.
- 3. Add garlic, crushed tomatoes and spices and stir to incorporate.
- 4. Pour in turkey broth and water, cooking for an additional 2 minutes.
- 5. Add lasagna noodles and mix into sauce. Simmer mixture over medium-high for about 20 minutes or until noodles are al dente.
- 6. Reduce heat and stir-in spinach. Continue to cook until wilted.
- 7. Remove from heat and top with cheese and parsley. Serve immediately.



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