



# Classic Veggie Lasagna

with cremini mushrooms and garlic bread

### (i) You will need

Olive Oil, Salt, Pepper, Cooking Spray Large Pot, Baking Sheet, 2 Mixing Bowls, Colander, Large Oven-Safe Non-Stick Pan

## Before you cook

Take a minute to read through the recipe before you startwe promise it will be time well spent!

- ☐ Preheat oven to **375 degrees**
- ☐ Bring a large pot of **salted water** to a boil
- ☐ Thoroughly rinse produce and pat dry
- ☐ Prepare a baking sheet with foil
- ☐ Ingredient(s) used more than once: **mushrooms**, garlic, spinach, tomato sauce



## Prepare the Ingredients

- Slice mushrooms thinly. Set aside five slices for garnish.
- Peel and halve **onion**. Cut halves into ½" dice.
- Mince garlic.
- Slice four **spinach leaves** as thinly as possible into strips for garnish. Reserve remaining spinach for mixture.



## Prepare Tomato Sauce and Boil Pasta

- Make tomato sauce by combining crushed tomatoes, Italian seasoning, ½ tsp. salt, and ¼ tsp. pepper in a mixing bowl. Set aside ½ cup tomato sauce for topping lasagna.
- Add pasta to boiling water and boil until pliable, but still a little firm, 8-10 minutes. Pasta should be slightly underdone.
- Drain in a colander and rinse under cold water. Set aside on a plate.
- While pasta boils, cook vegetables.



#### Cook the Vegetables

- Place a large oven-safe non-stick pan over medium-high heat and add 1 Tbsp. olive oil. Add mushrooms to hot pan and stir occasionally until lightly browned, 4 minutes.
- Add onion and cook 3 minutes.
- Add <sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> the garlic (reserve remaining for bread), season with a pinch of salt and pepper, and cook 1 minute.
- Stir in whole spinach leaves and cook until wilted, 1 minute.
- Remove from burner and transfer to mixing bowl with tomato sauce. Stir to combine.
- Reserve pan; no need to wipe clean.



#### Assemble the Lasagna

- Set aside ¼ the mozzarella for topping lasagna. Mix ricotta and remaining mozzarella together in another mixing bowl.
- Create three lasagna layers in pan used to cook vegetables: Start with vegetable-sauce mixture, dollop with ricotta and mozzarella, and top with cooked pasta. You may have to cut pasta to fit. Repeat two more times, finishing with a pasta layer.
- Pour reserved ½ cup tomato sauce over top, covering lasagna.
- Top with reserved mozzarella and reserved **mushroom** slices.



#### Bake Lasagna and Make Garlic Bread

- Coat a piece of foil with cooking spray and cover pan. Place pan in oven and bake 15-20 minutes.
- Uncover and bake until golden brown, 10-15 minutes.
- Remove from oven and rest at least 5 minutes. Lasagna may appear watery at first, but liquid will be absorbed as it rests.
- Halve **ciabatta** and place on prepared baking sheet. Drizzle with 2 tsp. olive oil and rub with remaining garlic. Bake until golden and crusty, 5-8 minutes.
- Plate dish as pictured on front of card, garnishing with **spinach** strips. Bon appétit!

