

Creamed Spinach

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Ingredients

2 1/2 pounds spinach in bulk, or two

10-ounce plastic wrapped bags

1 tablespoon butter

1 tablespoon flour

1 cup milk

1/2 teaspoon freshly grated nutmeg

Salt to taste, if desired

Freshly ground pepper to taste

Preparation

Step 1

If bulk spinach is used, pick it over to remove and discard any tough stems and blemished leaves. Rinse the spinach thoroughly and shake off excess water. There should be about 2 pounds cleaned weight, or 16 cups.

Step 2

Bring enough water to a boil to cover the spinach when it is added and stirred down. Add spinach and cook 2 minutes and drain. Run under cold running water until chilled. Empty the spinach into a deep colander and press to extract most of the water.

Step 3

Put the spinach into the container of a food processor or an electric blender and blend thoroughly. There should be about 1 3/4 cups.

Step 4

Melt the butter in a saucepan and add the flour, stirring with a wire whisk. Add the milk, stirring rapidly with the whisk. Add nutmeg, salt and pepper to taste. Cook, stirring, about 5 minutes and add the spinach. Stir to blend. Heat and serve.