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## Easy Rice Bake Casserole

Recipe courtesy The Neelys

<b>Prep Time:</b>	15 min	<b>Level:</b>	<b>Serves:</b>
<b>Inactive Prep Time:</b>	hr min	Easy	6 servings
<b>Cook Time:</b>	35 min		



### Ingredients

- 2 tablespoons butter, plus more for dish
- 1 small onion, minced
- Pinch cayenne pepper
- 1 package frozen spinach, thawed, drained and chopped
- 1 cup milk
- 2 eggs
- 2 cups shredded sharp Cheddar, plus extra for top
- 4 cups cooked rice
- 1 teaspoon freshly chopped parsley leaves
- 1 teaspoon freshly chopped thyme leaves
- 1 teaspoon chopped basil leaves
- Salt and freshly ground black pepper

### Directions

Preheat oven to 350 degrees F. Butter a large casserole dish.

In a large pan over medium-high heat, saute onions with 2 tablespoons of butter and cayenne until translucent. Add the spinach and cook for 3 minutes. Set aside.

In a large bowl, whisk together milk and eggs.

Add the cheese, rice, parsley, thyme, basil and spinach mixture and combine well. Season with salt and pepper.

Pour into prepared casserole dish and top with extra shredded cheese. Bake for 30 minutes and serve piping hot.