



# saffron mashed potatoes



5 from 6 votes

Vegan mashed potatoes, dairy free. Creamy and buttery flavored, a little exotic with garlic, coconut milk and saffron.

Prep Time	Cook Time	Total Time
15 mins	35 mins	50 mins

Course: Side Dish    Cuisine: American    Keyword: mashed potatoes, saffron

Kosher Key: Parve    Servings: 8 servings    Calories: 247kcal

## INGREDIENTS

- 5 pounds potatoes, peeled and cut into large chunks
- Pinch saffron threads (make sure you use a good quality saffron, the expensive stuff-- the other kind has no flavor)
- 2 tablespoons non-hydrogenated margarine
- 1 1/2 tablespoons flour (for Passover or gluten free use 1 tbsp potato starch)
- 1 cup unsweetened non-dairy milk (or more if needed (almond, rice, soy, etc.))
- 3/4 cup unsweetened canned coconut milk
- 1 teaspoon crushed garlic
- Salt and black or white pepper to taste

## INSTRUCTIONS

1. In a large pot, cover the potato chunks with a few inches of water, then add ½ tbsp salt. Bring to a boil on the stovetop. Let the potatoes simmer for about 20-25 minutes till soft.
  2. While potatoes are cooking, grind the saffron threads to powder with a mortar and pestle. Add 1 tbsp of hot water to the ground saffron and let it soak for a few minutes.
- When the potatoes are done cooking, drain them thoroughly and return them to the hot pot on the stovetop. The heat source should be turned off; the residual heat from the pot will

- “dry out” the potatoes a bit, allowing them to soak up more of the good stuff later.
3. Meanwhile, in a small saucepan, melt 2 tbsp non-hydrogenated margarine over medium heat. Whisk in flour or potato starch to form a thick paste.
  4. Whisk in the non-dairy milk, coconut milk, crushed garlic,  $\frac{1}{2}$  tsp salt and the saffron water. Heat the mixture over medium, whisking frequently, till it boils and thickens.
  5. Pour the creamy saffron sauce over the cooked potato chunks, then mash with a potato masher till smooth. If using a potato ricer, push the cooked potatoes through the ricer first, then stir in the sauce. If the potatoes need moisture, add more non-dairy milk as you mash. Season with salt and pepper to taste. Don't skimp on the salt-- I usually use around 1 1/4 teaspoons or more. The salt really enhances the flavor of the saffron. Use white pepper if you want a more uniform golden look to the potatoes (without any black flecks).
  6. Serve immediately.

## NOTES

You will also need: Potato masher or ricer, mortar and pestle

## NUTRITION

Calories: 247kcal | Carbohydrates: 37g | Protein: 8g | Fat: 8g | Saturated Fat: 5g | Sodium: 95mg | Potassium: 1234mg | Fiber: 7g | Vitamin A: 135IU | Vitamin C: 32.9mg | Calcium: 126mg | Iron: 9.6mg

*Nutritional information should be considered an estimate only; please consult a registered dietitian, nutritionist, or your physician for specific health-related questions. Read [here](#). Please note that the recipe above is published using a recipe card plugin, with preexisting software which can auto-calculate metric measurements, as well as change the number of servings. Metric conversions and changes to the number of servings (resulting in different ingredient amounts) will only appear in the ingredient list, and are not changed within the step-by-step directions of the recipe.*