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- @glutenfreedud age doesn't matter at Disney! My husband and I went with his parents no kids. Had a blast! 3 weeks ago
- had a great #glutenfree time at Disney! No trouble eating lots of places had #gfree hamburger buns; gfree cookies and brownies... 3 weeks ago
- We are going to Disney World next wednesday with inlaws for 4 nights. heard they are good at GF; need to call them. any pointers? 1 month ago
- Kitchen remodel progressing right along. Hopefully by end of next week, tile will be down and cabinets in. Granite one week after. 1 month ago
- o Enjoyed my first week (3 days) at my new job! Certainly different than the law. and that's a good thing! 1 month ago

Moussaka (or how to get your husband to eat eggplant)

Posted on August 28, 2008 by Karen

<u>Fresh Ginger</u>picked eggplant as the ingredient for <u>this week's menu swap</u>. I love eggplant, but my husband is much less of a fan. I really have to hide it before he'll eat it. This dish got a surprised sounding: "hey, this is good" from him. And it's naturally gluten free!

Moussaka is a traditional eggplant based dish that is most commonly associated with Greece, but is found throughout the Balkans and Middle East. The Greek version usually consists of layers of ground lamb or other red meat, sliced eggplant and tomato, topped with a white sauce and baked.

The recipe I used was one that I found from FoodandWine.com, and is for a traditional Greek-style Moussaka. I made mine with ground



lamb, but you could just as easily use ground beef or even ground turkey.

Moussaka

SERVES: 4

Ingredients:

6 tablespoons cooking oil

1 onion, chopped

2 cloves garlic, minced

1 pound ground lamb

1/2 cup red wine

1 tablespoon tomato paste

1 1/2 cups canned crushed tomatoes in thick puree (one 15-ounce can)

1 bay leaf

1 cinnamon stick

1/8 teaspoon ground allspice

1 teaspoon salt

Fresh-ground black pepper

1 eggplant (about 1 pound), peeled and cut into 1/4-inch slices

4 ounces cream cheese

1/4 cup milk

1/4 cup grated Parmesan

Directions:



Heat the broiler.

In a large stainless-steel frying pan, heat 1 tablespoon of the oil over moderate heat. Add the onion and garlic; cook until starting to soften, about 3 minutes.



, about 2 minutes.

Add the lamb and cook until the meat loses its pink color, about 2 minutes.

Stir in the wine, tomato paste, tomatoes, bay leaf, cinnamon, allspice, 3/4 teaspoon salt, and 1/4 teaspoon pepper. Bring to a boil. Reduce the heat. Simmer, covered, for 10 minutes.

Brush both sides of the eggplant slices with the remaining 5 tablespoons oil and season with 1/8 teaspoon each salt and pepper. Put the eggplant slices on a large baking sheet and broil, 6 inches from the heat, until browned, about 5 minutes. Turn and broil until



browned on the other side, about 5 minutes longer.

In a small saucepan, combine the cream cheese, milk, 1/8 teaspoon salt, and a pinch of pepper. Warm over low heat until just melted.

Oil an 8-by-8-inch baking dish. Layer half the eggplant in the dish, then half the meat sauce. Sprinkle with half the Parmesan. Repeat with the remaining eggplant, meat sauce, and Parmesan. Spoon the cream-cheese sauce on top; broil until just starting to brown, 1 to 2 minutes.

Serve.



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1. Meat and Potatoes (Lamb Chops) « Gluten Free Sox Fan, on January 8th, 2009 at 8:16 pm Said:

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