

Spinach and Cheese Empanadas

Ingredients

3 packages Puff Pastry Dough for Empanadas

2 Tbsp unsalted butter

1/4 cup onion, diced

1/4 cup scallions, diced

4 cups fresh spinach

1 large egg

1/2 cup ricotta cheese

1/4 cup shredded parmesan cheese

1 tsp kosher salt

1/4 tsp black pepper

1 tsp of nutmeg

2 chopped hard-boiled eggs

1 egg yolk, beaten, optional for brushing

the pie crust

Method

In a large skillet, sauté butter, onion, and fresh spinach over medium high heat. Stir and cook for several minutes, until spinach cooks down. Set aside.

In a large bowl, combine egg, ricotta cheese, parmesan, salt, pepper, nutmeg and chopped hard-boiled eggs. Stir in spinach mixture until combined.

Using about 1 large tablespoon scoop, fill each pie crust circle with a dollop of filling. Fold in half and pinch edges. Seal by pressing the tines of a fork along the edge. Repeat with all circles.

Place empanadas on a parchment paper lined baking sheet. Brush tops with beat egg yolk for a rich color (optional). Bake for 18-22 minutes in a 425°F oven. Serve with chimichurri sauce and enjoy!