UPMC HEALTH PLAN



Sweet Potato Sliders

Prep time: 15 minutes Cook time: 10 minutes Serves: 8 sliders

Ingredients

- 1 medium sweet potato, peeled and diced
- 1 15- ounce can cannellini beans rinsed and drained
- 1 ½ cups whole wheat panko bread crumbs
- 1 large egg (can replace with <u>flax egg</u>)
- 2 tablespoon grated Parmesan cheese (or nutritional yeast if dairy-free)
- 1 tablespoon grated lemon zest
- ¼ teaspoon iodized sea salt
- ¹/₂ teaspoon freshly cracked black pepper
- 1/2 teaspoon smoked paprika
- 1/2 teaspoon dried oregano
- 2 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil
- Slider buns, toasted (optional)
- Assorted toppings: sliced avocado, mixed greens, caramelized onions, tomatoes (sundried or fresh), roasted peppers

Directions:

- Bring a small pot of water to a boil. Add the diced sweet potatoes and cook until fork tender, 5-7 minutes. Drain sweet potatoes and transfer to food processor*. Add the cannellini beans, bread crumbs, egg, Parmesan, lemon zest, salt, pepper, paprika and oregano. Pulse for 1 minute until mixture is fully incorporated and smooth.
- 2. Remove the sweet potato mixture from the food processor and divide it into slider sized portions.
- 3. Heat the olive oil in a large skillet over medium heat. Add the sweet potato patties to the oil once shimmering and cook until golden brown, 4 minutes per side. Transfer each patty on a burger bun or salad.
- 4. Add additional toppings as desired and get creative! Serve immediately.

*Note: If you don't have a food processor, you can mix and mash ingredients with a fork or with your hands.