

Quick Quesadilla

Quesadillas, a popular menu item in Mexico, are made by folding a corn or flour tortilla in half and filling it with a variety of ingredients such as vegetables, cheese, beans, and meat. This recipe puts a twist on the traditional favorite by baking the quesadillas, instead of toasting them on a griddle or in a pan.

CACFP CREDITING INFORMATION

2 wedges or ½ quesadilla provides Legume as Meat Alternate: 1½ oz equivalent meat alternate, ¼ vegetable, and 1 oz equivalent grains OR Legume as Vegetable: 1 oz equivalent meat alternate, ¾ cup vegetable, 1 oz equivalent grains.

SOURCE

Team Nutrition CACFP Multicultural Recipe Project.

https://teamnutrition.usda.gov

INGREDIENTS	25 SERVINGS		50 SERVINGS		DIDECTIONS
	Weight	Measure	Weight	Measure	DIRECTIONS
Spinach, frozen, chopped	4 lb 9 oz	2 qt 2½ cup	9 lb 2 oz	5 qt 1 cup	1 Thaw, drain, and squeeze excess liquid from spinach. For 25 servings, yields: 1 qt 2¼ cups (1 lb 15¼ oz). For 50 servings, yields: 3 qt ½ cups (3 lb 14½ oz).
					2 Preheat oven to 350 °F.
Kidney beans, dark red, canned, no-salt-added, drained and rinsed or kidney beans, dry, cooked	1 lb 9 oz	1 qt (3/8 No. 10 can)	3 lb 2 oz	2 qt (¾ No. 10 can)	3 Place kidney beans in a large microwavable bowl.
Garlic powder		1 Tbsp 1 tsp		2 Tbsp 2 tsp	4 Add garlic powder, onion powder, and chili powder.
Onion powder		2 tsp		1 Tbsp 1 tsp	

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Chili powder		1 tsp		2 tsp	5 Lightly mash beans by squeezing using gloved hands (at least 50% of the beans should appear whole). Be careful not to overmash beans. For 25 servings, mash to yield about 3½ cups. For 50 servings, mash to yield about 1 qt 2¼ cups.
Whole-grain tortillas, 8" (at least 51 gm each)		17 each		34 each	6 Heat in microwave for 3 minutes. Stir with a spoon.
Mozzarella cheese, low-fat, shredded	1 lb 9 oz		3 lb 2 oz		7 Prepare quesadillas: Place half of the tortillas on a sheet pan (18" x 26" x 1"). Spread ¾ cup (6 oz ladle) of spinach, ¾ cup of bean mixture, (No. 10 scoop), and ¾ cup of cheese on each tortilla.
					8 Place remaining tortillas on top.
Nonstick cooking spray		2 sprays		4 sprays	 Spray outside of filled quesadillas with nonstick cooking spray. Bake for 15 minutes. Critical Control Point: Heat to 140 °F or higher for at least 15 seconds.
					10 Remove from the oven. Cut each quesadilla into 6 wedges.
					Serve 2 wedges or ⅓ quesadilla. Optional: Serve with sliced or mashed avocado, cilantro or salsa.Critical Control Point: Hold at 140° F or higher.

NUTRITION INFORMATION

For 2 wedges or 1/3 quesadilla.

NUTRIENTS Calories	AMOUNT 203
Total Fat Saturated Fat Cholesterol Sodium Total Carbohydrate Dietary Fiber Total Sugars Added Sugars included Protein	6 g 2 g 10 mg 442 mg 26 g 6 g 2 g N/A 14 g
Vitamin D Calcium Iron Potassium N/A=data not available.	N/A 157 mg 2 mg N/A

MARKETING GUIDE				
Food as Purchased for	25 Servings	50 Servings		
Kidney beans, dry	11 oz	1 lb 5 oz		

NOTES

*See Marketing Guide for purchasing information on foods that will change during preparation or when a variation in ingredients is available.

Tips for Soaking Dry Beans

1 lb dry kidney beans = about 2½ cups dry or 6¼ cups cooked beans.

Overnight Method: Add 1³/₄ qt cold water to every 1 lb of dry beans. Cover and refrigerate overnight. Discard the water. Proceed with recipe.

Quick-Soak Method: Boil 13/4 qt of water for each 1 lb of dry beans. Add beans and boil for 2 minutes. Remove from heat and allow to soak for 1 hour. Discard the water. Proceed with recipe.

Tips for Cooking Dry Beans

Once the beans have been soaked, add 13/4 qt water for every 1 lb of dry beans. Boil gently with lid tilted until tender, about 2 hours. Use cooked beans immediately.

Critical Control Point

Hold for hot service at 140 °F or higher or chill for later use. To chill, cool to 70 °F within 2 hours and to 40 °F or lower within an additional 4 hours.

YIELD/VOLUME			
	25 Servings 50 Servings		
6 lb 12 oz 50 wedges		13 lb 8 oz 100 wedges	

