

Spring Onion & Sausage Quiche

Prep Time: 15 minutes** Cook Time: 30-45 minutes Total Time: 45-60 minutes

Servings: 8 Serving Size: 1 wedge

Ingredients:

1 leek, white and green parts, thinly sliced

½ a bunch green onions, coarsely chopped

½ a red onion, sliced into thin half moons

6 ounces pre-cooked chicken or turkey breakfast sausage, sliced into bite size pieces

1 tablespoon coconut oil

1 teaspoon kosher salt, divided

1 cup milk

4 large eggs

1 tablespoon fresh rosemary, finely chopped

½ cup shredded Gruyere cheese

For the Homemade Crust:

1 ¼ cups all purpose flour

½ teaspoon salt

½ teaspoon sugar

6 tablespoons unsalted butter, chilled, cut into small pieces and then re-chilled

1/4 to 1/2 cup ice water

2 cups dried beans (any beans of choice)*

If you are using store bought crust to save time, skip to step 5.

Directions:

- 1. To make pie crust, combine flour, salt, and sugar in the bowl of a food processor or stand mixer. Add cold butter and process until mixture resembles coarse meal, 8 to 10 seconds.
- 2. With machine running, add ice water in a slow, steady stream through feed tube. Pulse until dough holds together without being wet or sticky; be careful not to process more than 30 seconds. To test, squeeze a small amount together: If it is crumbly, add more ice water, 1 tablespoon at a time.
- 3. Mold dough into a ball and then flatten the ball into a disc and wrap in plastic. Transfer to the refrigerator and chill at least 1 hour.
- 4. After the dough has chilled, preheat oven to 375 degrees, then roll disc of dough out on a lightly floured surface to make a 12 inch round, 1/8 inch thick crust.
- 5. Fit dough into a 9-inch pie plate and crimp edges.
- 6. Then line pie crust with parchment paper and place pie weights inside or fill with 2 cups dried beans.
- 7. Bake for 10-15 minutes or until just lightly golden. Discard parchment and save beans for another use.
- 8. While your crust bakes, heat one tablespoon coconut oil in a large skillet over medium heat and add the sausage, leek, green onion, red onion, and ½ teaspoon salt.
- 9. Sauté until veggies are tender, about 15 minutes.
- 10. Whisk together eggs, milk, remaining ½ teaspoon salt, and rosemary until well combined.
- 11. Pour sausage veggie mixture into the pie shell, then pour egg-milk mixture over it and spread all contents to distribute evenly using a spatula.
- 12. Sprinkle ½ cup cheese on top and bake at 375 degrees for 20-30 minutes or until a knife inserted in the center comes out clean. You may want to cover the edges of your pie crust with foil to prevent them from burning.
- 13. Let sit 10 minutes, then cut into 8 wedges and serve.

Tips and Tricks:

*Beans make excellent pie weights and allow your crust to brown evenly instead of bubbling up weird. Just buy a bag of cheep beans and designate them your "pie weights". You can re-use them this way for up to a dozen times.

**Plus one hour chill time for homemade pie crust.

Nutritional Information Per Serving:

Calories: 323.5 Fat: 19.8 g

Cholesterol: 148.7 mg Sodium: 512.8 mg

Total Carbohydrate: 21.8g

Dietary Fiber: 0.9 g Sugars: 4.3 g Protein: 14.3 g