Wholesome sailing with beef and squash

F YOU'VE been anchored down to the same budgetstretching ground beef recipes, a dining adventure awaits with beef-stuffed squash boats. They are a beef and vegetable combo that is easy to prepare and

Sure to satisfy.

Riding in the squash boats is a meatloaf mixture that's flavored with chopped dispendent on the squash halves that have been precooker. Near, the end of is mounded in acorn squash halves that have been precooker. Near, the end of the cooking time, the meat is breashed with ketchup to give it a nice glaze and extra flavor boost. The recipe features two preparation enhanced — conventional and microwaves.

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While helping to keep the food budget in line and adding variety to meau plans, this novel entree also contributes valuable nutrients to the farmily's diet. Ground beef, although economical, provides the same nutrients found in more costly meat cuts. Its protein b very important for it is complete, that is, it contains all the essential armino acids needed by the body every day to build, maintain and repair tissue and resist infection and disease.

Beefs vitamins and minerals also contribute to the body good health. See shell a B-tiamins include thiamin, naidar, thoffairin, B-8 and B-12. Iron and zinc are especially valuable among the minerals found in beef.

BEEF-STUFFED SQUASH BOATS

- 2 teaspoon salt

 12 teaspoon dill weed
 18 teaspoon pepper
 1 small onion, chopped
- nition, exapped non cup chopped green pepper oft bread crumbs

Cut squash half lengthwise, remove seeds and stringy portions and parboil in boiling salted water 12 to 15 minutes. Remove squash and invert to drain. Sprinkle salt, dill weed and pepper over ground beef. Add onion, green pepper crumbs and 2 tablespoons ketchop, mixing lightly but theroughly. Divide meat mixture into 4 equal portions. Pierce pulp of each squash boat several times. Place one portion of meat mixture in each squash half. Place on rack in roasting pan and bake in moderate oven (550°/25) 45 minutes. Brush remaining ketchup over ground beef and continue baking 5 minutes or until meat and squash are done. Serves 4.

Microwave directions: Place squash, cut side down, in microwave-safe baking dish. Microwave at high 10 minutes rotating dish ½ turn after 5 minutes.
Turn squase side up. fill with meat mixture. Cover with waxed paper and
minutes. Plotate side up. fill with meat mixture. Cover with waxed paper and
minutes. Rotate squash, placing center portion of each to outside of dish, rotate
dish ½ turn. Continue cooking at medium, covered, 5 minutes. Brush ketchup
over top: continue cooking at minutes. Let stand 5 minutes before serving.
For a colorful side dish to serve with the beef boats, pair up cooked okra and
tomato to wedges. All that's needed to comlete the main course is a cripl
lettuce salad and rools, if you like.



Meatloaf flavored with chopped onion, chopped green pepper, ketchup and a hint of dill weed is mounded in precooked acorn squash halves. Near the end of the cooking time, the meat is brushed with ketchup to glaze and add extra flavor.

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BLUE CHEESE DIP WITH PEARS AND NECTARINES 1 pkg. (8 oz.) cream cheese 3 thsp. blue cheese 3 tosp. Dide casese 1½ tsp. grated orange peel 1 tsp. grated lemon peel ½ tsp. salt

Fresh nectarines
Combine cheeses in a small mixing bowl and soften Add peels and
salt. Gradually blend in milk, mixing unit smooth. Turn into a serving
bowl and top with a sprinkling of additional orange peel, if desired. Turn
Tropical Mix tho a serving bowl.
Cut pears and nectarines into
wedges and arrange on a tray with
the bowl of dip so guests may dip
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