## Artichoke memories La Rose

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Conce you have accomplished this
technique and become "hooked" on artichokes, you undoubtedly will
want to include them in your meal
plans on a regular basis. This natural, cooked vegetable cup also becomes a great garshish or small servling accessory, for warm sauces to be
served with a filled of fish or an appropriate said, as well as for stuffing with tossed mini-vegetables or a
traditional shrimp said.
To appropriately ent a cooked artichoke, remove one leaf at minetichoke, remove one leaf at the fight.
Then, gently scrape the tender inside
of the leaf with your feeth. Discard
the remainder of the leaf by setting
on your dinner plate. The stuffing,
artichoke heart and bottom can then
be eaten with a fork.
Whole artichokes may be cooked
in advance, refrigerated and then refore serving.

Here are a few authentic regional Italian recipes for stuffing and an-other traditional sauce for dipping without stuffing. To serve without a stuffing, slice each whole artichoke in half from the tip to the stem after steaming.

CARCIOFI ALLA RICOTTA
(Artichokes Stuffed with Ricotta
Cheese)
Makes 4 stuffed artichokes

cheese
% cup dried currants
1 cup dried bread stuffing
Sait/pepper
1-2 tablicapoons olive oil, for parbolling artichokes
% cup extra virgin olive oil

Mix together cheeses, egg, stuffing and seasoning in a medium-size mixing bowl. Divide filling into quarters. Using a large spoon fill each of the artichokes. Set them in a Dutch oven with 'A' cup and about 34 inches of hot water. Make sure that they remain upright. Bring pot to a boil and simmer partially covered about 20.30 minutes. The artichokes are cooked when the leaves can be easily removed and a paring lntle inserted into the center of the stuffing is hot when touched. For extra-large artichokes allow for extra stuffing.

CARCIOFI RIPIENI
DI PROSCIUTTO
(Artichokes Stuffed with Prosciutto)
Serves 4
4 medium artichokes, trimmed and
parboilled 20 minutes

cup freshly grated Parmesan

4 medium trimmed, artichokes, parboiled 20 minutes 1 teaspoon dri-d basil
1 pound fresh ricotta cheese 1 large egg 4 tablespoons grated Parmesan cheese 5 cop extra virgin oliv Sait to taste
I teaspoon dried basil
Pinch dried marjoram
½ teaspoon garlic powder
½ cop extra virgin olive oil

In a medium-size mixing bowl combine stuffing, cheese egg, pros-ciutto, pine nuts and seasonings. Mix well and divide into 4 equal parts. Stuff each of the articokes and set in a Dutch oven. Add olive oil and 3-4 inches of hot water to pot. Bring to a boil, reduce to a rolling simmer and cook until tender, 20-30 minutes, partially covered.

This classic warm sauce also can be served with a variety of raw veg-etables as well as steamed arti-chokes.

2 cups heavy cream
4 tablespoons butter
1 teaspoon anchovy paste
1 teaspoon finely chopped garlic
1 tablespoon extra-virgin olive oil
Ploch dried basil leaves
Freshly ground black pepper

parbolled 20 minutes
's cup freshly grated Parmesan
cheese
d generous cups of bread stuffing
1-2 large eggs
's cup siliced and chopped prosciutio
(Italian smoked ham)
's cup pine nuts
's teaspoon freshly ground black
pepper

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Whole foods are safer foods."

Many Nature's Market customers have zero tolerance for food addi-tives of any kind, or are sensitive to common foods such as yeast, sugar, salt or corn syrup.

FOR THOSE WHO are sensitive to wheat, there are pastas made from speil, toff and quinon. These are names you will never find on a kitchen cannister set, but they are wholesome grains, organically grown, that allow spaghetit-lovers to indulge without discomfort — unless they eat too much.

CHEESY-CHILI CASSEROLE
1 cup cooked bulgar wheat
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2 tablespoon schill porter
1 teaspoon ground cumin
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1 teaspoon sall (optional)
1 tea

l pound Monterrey Jack cheese, grated

Combine first eight ingredlents, mix well and set aside. Combine next four ingredients. Layer mix-tures alternately in large casserole.

What assurance does Guleich have that the vegetables are indeed organically grown? Isn't it possible that a farmer could sneak in a pesticide and nobody would know?

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Top with cheese. Bake at 350 de-grees for 30 minutes, Serve immedi-ately with green salad. Yield: 4-6 servings. Source: Arrowhead Mills

CURRIED RED LENTILS

NATURE'S MARKET provides several services to its clients. The store takes special orders for almost any product, from a food supplement to 25 pounds of carrots. There's a grinder and a juleer available, and, starting Thuraday, Nov. I, there will be delivery service.

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4 garlic cloves

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Put lentils and salt in large saucepan with enough water to cover, 
bring to a boll, cover and reduce 
heat. Simmer for 30 minutes or until 
lentils are tender, drain. Heat butter 
and saute onloss until golden. Combline remaining ingredients in blender or processor; process to a paste, 
add to onions and cook for one minutic, add the lentils, cook for further 
two minutes. Serve hot on a bed of 
rice.

rice.
Variations: 1. Serve with crisp raw vegetables, and thin slices of onion and tomato in lemon juice. 2. Serve plain yogurt and mango chutney as an accompaniment. Yield: Four

## Pair fresh veggies, salmon

1 cup dried red lentils
1 teaspoon salt (optional)
2 tablespoons butter
2 onions, chopped
1 teaspoon cumin
1 teaspoon poppy seed
1 teaspoon thill powder
1 teaspoon tumeric

MICROWAVE SALMON
VEGETABLE SAUTE
14 cups fresh or frozen saparagus
14 cups fresh or frozen broccoll
14 cups fresh or frozen pea pods
5 cup sweet red pepper, cut into l clove garlic, minced

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i teaspoon garled fresh ginger
2 tablespoons water
1 cup sileed monshrooms
% cup bean sprouts
% cup chickes broin
1 tablespoon cornstarch
2 teaspoons light soy sauce
1 teaspoon seame oil
One ?%-onne can salmon
2 tablespoons green onlons, sileed diagonally
Pepper to taste
Toasted sesame seeds

In a 2-quart, microwave-safe dish combine asparagus, broccoli, pea pods, red pepper, garlic, ginger and water. Cover and cook on high for 3 minutes. Stir, add mushrooms and minutes. Stir; add mushrooms and bean sprouts. Cook on high 2 min-

utes.

In microwave-safe glass measure, combine chicken broth, cornstarch, soy sauce and sesame oil. Cook on high 1 minute; stir into vegetables.









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