Beetroot and herby cheese parcels

Makes 12



Ingredients (allergens in bold)

- 100g beetroot boiled and diced
- 75g new potatoes boiled and diced
- 100g cream cheese
- 1 tablespoon parsley finely chopped
- 1 tablespoon chives finely chopped
- 4 spring onions finely chopped
- ground black pepper
- 1 packet Filo pastry defrosted, if frozen and cut into sheets measuring 30x20cm
- 3 tablespoons sunflower oil for brushing

Method

- 1. Heat the oven to 200° C/Gas 6.
- Put the cream cheese in a mixing bowl and beat with a wooden spoon until soft. Add the diced potato, beetroot, herbs and spring onions. Season with black pepper and gently mix all the ingredients together.
- 3. Keep the filo pastry sheets covered with a damp tea-towel and work with 1 at a time.
- 4. Brush a sheet of filo with a little sunflower oil. Place a tablespoon of the mixture on to the corner of the filo rectangle which is closest to you. Fold the filo in half along the length, to form a long, thin rectangle, then fold the pastry up and over a few times to make a triangle shape that seals-in the filling.
- 5. Place the triangular parcels on the baking tray. Brush with vegetable oil. Bake for 15 minutes until golden brown.



Equipment

- two saucepans
- wooden spoon
- chopping board
- sharp knife
- mixing bowl
- tablespoon
- teaspoon
- pastry brush
- dessertspoon
- baking tray

Recipe notes and tips

- Filo pastry is delicate. Take care when unrolling it.
 Remember to keep it covered to prevent it drying out and becoming too brittle to use.
- Use a 'light' cream cheese to reduce the energy and fat content.
- These parcels are best eaten freshly baked.