Veggie Crumble

Flavoursome and juicy vegetable pieces with a crunchy crumble topping.

Inspired by a typewritten sheet, at least 40 years old, tucked away in a cookbook.

Serves 4.

Ingredients

carrots, celery, white onions, leeks, red peppers, tomatoes, peas and sweetcorn.

Veggie layer		Caaling
360 g per person	mixed vegetables (see method)	Cooking
30 ml	Zaytoun FAIRTRADE olive oil	Prepare the veggies in the normal way ending in 1 to 2 cm cubes.
150 ml	FAIRTRADE white wine	Warm the oil and gently sweat the veggies starting with any hard chunks like carrot and celery to give them a head start. You can add the softer veggies all at the same time.
15 ml	light soy sauce	
30 ml	tomato puree	
1 heaped tsp	mixed herbs	Mix the white wine, soy sauce, tomato puree, mixed herbs, and chili, and pour this mixture over the vegetables.
3 ml	chilli spice	
to taste	salt and pepper	Heat to a simmer, and cook the veggies until just soft to a testing knife (about 15 minutes).
Topping layer		3 (************************************
125 g	wholewheat flour	Meanwhile
60 g	rolled oats	
30 g	sunflower seeds	Prepare the topping. In a large mixing bowl, measure out the flour, oats, oil and mixed herbs. Grate the cheese and add to the bowl.
30 ml	Zaytoun FAIRTRADE olive oil	
50 g	parmesan cheese	Mix with a wooden spoon to begin with, and then your hands until the mixture is consistently coated with the oil. Add a little more oil if you need to.
1 heaped tsp	mixed herbs	

Method

Vegetables

Weigh out a mixture of veggies to give about 360 g per person. Try to include some roots and tubers, some onions, and some sweet and juicy vegetables. Our first test recipe included

Pre-heat the oven to gas mark 4 and warm up an oven-proof casserole dish.

Once the veggies are cooked, make a layer in the casserole dish.

Sprinkle on the oats mixture and smooth out.

Bake for 30 to 40 minutes until the topping is golden brown.

To serve

Serve as a main course with Italian sauce on the side, or serve as a side dish to a chicken main course such as Chicken Marbella.

Variation

To make the dish vegan, omit the oil and cheese from the topping and rub in 75 g olive oil spread.

The chilli can be replaced by two shakes of the tabasco bottle.