

## Creamy Spaghetti Squash Casserole

with ricotta cheese and spinach

- 3 1/2 pounds uncooked spaghetti squash (halved lengthwise & seeded)
- 1 Tsp extra virgin olive oil
- 1 small yellow onion, finely chopped
- 2 cups grape tomatoes, halved
- 2 large garlic cloves, chopped
- 6 oz. fresh baby spinach (about 6 cups)
- 15 oz. ricotta cheese, part-skim
- 1/2 cups mozzarella cheese, partskim, shredded
- 3 Tbsp Parmesan cheese, grated
- 1/4 cup fresh basil, chopped
- 1 Tsp salt
- 1/2 Tsp black pepper, freshly ground

- Preheat oven to 400° F. Poke holes in spaghetti squash and place in microwave on HIGH for 4 to 5 minutes, or until tender. Let cool, then scoop out seeds.
- In a large nonstick skillet, heat oil on medium-high heat. Cook onion, stirring occasionally, until golden brown and tender -5 minutes. Stir in grape tomatoes and garlic. Cook until tomatoes start to soften - 3 minutes, stirring frquently.

Add spinach to skillet, stirring until wilted - 1 minute, then remove from heat.

- 3 Scoop spaghetti strands into skillet and toss to coat. Stir in ricotta, 1/4 cup mozzarella, 2 Tbsp Parmesan cheese, basil, salt and pepper. Transfer to a 2-3 quart baking dish. Sprinkle with remaining Parmesan and mozzarella.
  - Bake 15-20 minutes, until bubbly around edges and top is golden brown.

