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AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF ORTHODONTISTS PROVIDES EASY HOLIDAY RECIPES PERFECT FOR A CHRISTMAS BRUNCH OR CHANUKAH DESSERT

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St. Louis (December 2, 2016) – The winter holidays are a time to get together with family and friends, and that means food. Digging into a holiday meal of soft foods can be easier for those in orthodontic treatment, so the <u>American Association of Orthodontists</u> (AAO) is sharing two holiday recipes that are the perfect bites for that Christmas brunch, Chanukah dessert or any holiday get-together.

Florentine Eggs Benedict Bake with Mock Hollandaise Sauce

From the American Association of Orthodontists Recipe Serves 12

Ingredients:

Egg Bake

- ½ pound unsalted butter
- ½ cup bread crumbs
- 4 whole English muffins (cubed into ½" squares)
- 6 oz. Canadian bacon
- 10 oz. fresh spinach
- 18 large whole eggs
- Salt and pepper to taste
- Paprika

Mock Hollandaise Sauce

- ½ pound unsalted butter
- 1 cup real mayonnaise
- Juice of 1 small lemon
- ½ teaspoon ground mustard seed
- Dash of cayenne pepper
- Salt and pepper to taste
- 12 slices fresh melon (optional)

Directions:

- 1. Preheat oven to 350°.
- 2. Grease sides and bottom of 9 x 12 casserole pan with butter, in a small sauce pan, melt the remaining part of the stick. Dust the pan with an even layer of bread crumbs, shaking out any extra. Line the bottom of the pan with the cubed English muffins, and drizzle the melted butter over.



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Calories 52	9	Calories from	Fat 41
		% Daily	Value*
Total Fat 47	g		739
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Trans Fat			
Cholesterol	349mg		1169
Sodium 546mg			239
Total Carbohydrate 13g			49
Dietary Fiber 2g			99
Sugars 3g	J		
Protein 16g			
Vitamin A	71%	Vitamin C	179
Calcium	14%	• Iron	169
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- 3. Dice the Canadian bacon, and chop the spinach into small pieces. Sauté over medium heat until the spinach is wilted. Set aside to cool.
- 4. In a large mixing bowl, whisk the eggs. Fold in cooled spinach, bacon mix, salt and pepper, pour over the muffins. Cover and refrigerate overnight.
- 5. Bake in oven uncovered for 45 minutes, or until toothpick inserted in the center comes out clean. Let stand until no longer bubbling, 10-15 minutes.
- 6. Prepare the sauce by melting $\frac{1}{2}$ pound butter in a medium sauce pan add mustard, cayenne, salt and pepper, lemon juice and mayonnaise. Whisk until creamy.
- 7. Cut egg bake in to 12 servings. Drizzle each with sauce and garnish with paprika.
- 8. Serve with fresh melon on the side, optional.

Chanukah Gelt Wontons

From the American Association of Orthodontists Recipe Makes 12

Ingredients:

- 24 round wonton wrappers
- 12 large chocolate coins (1 ½")
- 2 tablespoons butter
- 2 tablespoons canola oil
- ½ cup cinnamon sugar



Directions:

- 1. Lay out 12 of the wonton wrappers on a clean work surface.
- 2. Unwrap the chocolate coins and place one in the center of each wonton wrapper.
- 3. Lightly brush the edges of each wonton wrapper with water and place another wonton wrapper on top, pressing the edges to seal in the chocolate coin.
- 4. Place butter and canola oil into a large frying pan and melt on medium heat.
- 5. Fry each wonton for 2-3 minutes per side.
- 6. Place the cinnamon sugar in a shallow bowl and dip both sides of the wonton until coated.
- 7. Let cool slightly and serve warm or at room temperature.

Nutrition Information

Chanukah Gelt Wontons

Serving Size: 1 piece Servings per recipe: 12

Calories per serving 130

Total Fat 6g Saturated Fat 3g

Cholesterol 6mg
Sodium 104mg
Total Carbohydrate 16g
Dietary Fiber 0g
Sugar 9g
Protein 2g

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Members of the American Association of Orthodontists (AAO) help children, teenagers and adults achieve healthy, beautiful smiles.

Orthodontists are uniquely qualified specialists who diagnose, prevent and treat dental and facial irregularities to correctly align teeth and jaws. Orthodontists receive an additional two to three academic years of specialized education beyond dental school at an accredited orthodontic residency program. Only orthodontists qualify for AAO membership.

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