

Pork Loin Stuffed with Dried Fruit, Rice & Almonds



Ingredients

1 pork loin, centre roast, boneless, about 4 lb / 2 kg 1 tsp / 5 mL salt ¹/₂ tsp / 2 mL garlic powder ¹/₄ tsp / 1 mL ground black pepper 2 cups / 500 mL long grain rice, cooked according to package directions 1 ¹/₂ cups / 375 mL dried mixed fruit 1 cup / 250 mL chopped yellow onion 2 cloves garlic, minced ³/₄ cup / 175 mL finely chopped celery ¹/₂ cup / 125 mL chopped fresh parsley 2 tsp / 10 mL EACH chopped fresh sage and thyme ¹/₄ cup / 50 mL slivered almonds ¹/₂ cup / 125 mL vegetable broth 5-7 slices bacon, partially cooked

Directions

- 1. With sharp knife, slice roast down center lengthwise to within ½-inch of bottom. Open roast to lie flat. On each half, make another lengthwise slit down center to within ½-inch of bottom.
- 2. In small bowl, combine garlic powder, salt and pepper. Sprinkle roast evenly with mixture.
- 3. In large bowl, combine cooked rice, dried fruit, onion, garlic, celery, parsley, sage, thyme, almonds and broth. Mix well.
- 4. Divide half the stuffing among the three slits. Roll up roast from long side. Tie with butcher string at 2-inch intervals.
- 5. Place remaining stuffing in greased shallow baking dish*. Set aside.
- 6. Preheat oven to 350°F. Place roast on rack in shallow roasting pan. Roast, uncovered, until instant-read thermometer registers 155°F, about 2 hours.
- 7. Remove roast from oven. Carefully remove butcher string.
- 8. Place bacon strips over top of roast tucking ends underneath. Roast 30-45 minutes more or

until instant-read thermometer registers 155° F. Tent loosely with foil and let rest 10 minutes before carving.

* To heat reserved stuffing: Cover. Bake 30 minutes or until heated through.

Additional Info

- Cut: Roasts
- Prep Time (Minutes): 20
- Cook Time (Minutes): 2.75 hrs
- Number of Servings: 8-10