Tacos with Beef and Vegetables (Taco 2)

These tacos add more vegetables to a traditional American ground beef taco, resulting in a nutrition boost. Customize with your favorite taco toppings!



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CHEF'S NOTES

Corn tortillas are a favorite at GCCM because they are a whole grain and last forever in the refrigerator! They need to be heated just before eating which can be done a few different ways:

- Place the tortilla directly over the burner of a gas stove, over lowmedium heat, using tongs to flip until just charred on the edges
- Heat a nonstick pan over high heat and heat until soft and pliable
- Wrap in foil and heat in the oven (375°) for about 5-7 minutes
- Wrap in a paper towel and microwave in 30 second intervals

INGREDIENTS

1 Tbsp Olive Oil 1 each Onion, small dice ½ each Bell Pepper, small dice 8 oz Mushrooms, minced (about 2½ cups whole) 8 oz. (½ lb) Ground Beef, 90/10 Worcestershire Sauce 1 tsp ½ cup Water Salt-Free Taco Seasoning 1/4 CUP (see separate recipe) $\frac{1}{4}$ tsp Kosher Salt 8 each Corn Tortillas ⅓ cup (1.5 oz) Cheddar Cheese, shredded 1 ½ cups Romaine Lettuce, shredded (about 1/4 head)

DIRECTIONS

- 1. Gather all necessary equipment and ingredients.
- 2. In a large sauté pan, heat the oil over medium-high heat. Once the oil is hot, add the onions and sauté until translucent, about 3-4 minutes. Add the bell pepper and continue to sauté until the pepper begins to brown, about 2 minutes. Add the mushrooms and continue to cook the vegetables until most of the moisture from the mushrooms has evaporated, about 5-7 minutes.
- 3. Add the beef and cook the meat until pink is no longer visible, about 2-3 minutes. Then add the Worcestershire sauce, water, taco seasoning and salt. Simmer for 5-7 minutes, stirring occasionally. Once the moisture has cooked off and the taco filling looks consistent in texture, turn off the heat and set aside.
- 4. Toast the tortillas to the desired texture (see chef's note). When finished toasting, wrap the tortillas in a cloth napkin or foil to keep warm.
- 5. To assemble the tacos: fill each tortilla with $\frac{1}{4}$ cup of the taco filling, $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon of cheese and lettuce.

Nutrition	Facts
4 servings per container Serving size 2 tacos (291g)	
Amount Per Serving Calories	320
	% Daily Value*
Total Fat 14g	18%
Saturated Fat 4.5g	23%
<i>Tran</i> s Fat 0g	
Cholesterol 45mg	15%
Sodium 310mg	13%
Total Carbohydrate 30g	11%
Dietary Fiber 4g	14%
Total Sugars 6g	
Includes 0g Added Sugars	0%
Protein 18g	36%
Vitamin D 0.2mcg	2%
Calcium 140mg	10%
Iron 2.7mg	15%
Potassium 660mg	15%

CONTAINS: MILK, ANCHOVIES

general nutrition advice.

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