Cheesy Chickpea and Broccoli Bake

Ingredients

- 1 large bunch (approximately 1 pound) fresh broccoli, rinsed and cut into medium pieces
- 1 15½-oz can chickpeas, drained and rinsed
- · 1 T. olive oil
- Salt and black pepper to taste
- 1 c. shredded Gruyere, cheddar vegan cheese
- 1/3 c. whole-wheat breadcrumbs
- ¼ cup crumbled blue cheese
- ¼ cup sour cream (optional)



Directions

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- 1. Preheat oven to 400°F.
- 2. Lightly steam broccoli on the stove: Place raw broccoli pieces in a steamer basket inside a saucepan filled with 1 inch of water. Steam on medium heat for five minutes or until broccoli is just tender and bright green. Drain water. Or steam broccoli in the microwave: Place raw broccoli pieces in a large microwave-safe dish with ½ inch of water in the bottom. Cover with a microwave-safe plate and cook on high for three minutes or until just tender and bright green. Drain water.
- 3. Toss steamed broccoli and chickpeas with olive oil. Place in a 9"-by-9" baking pan.
- 4. Add salt and black pepper to taste. Top evenly with grated cheese, then top evenly with breadcrumbs.
- 5. Bake 10 to 15 minutes or until cheese is melted and breadcrumbs are lightly browned. Remove from oven and serve immediately.