

ZUCCHINI RAVIOLI

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	Ingredients	Exchanges
Protein	14 gm ricotta cheese, whole milk	1 (-1 gm fat)
	24.8 gm beef pastrami	2.7 (+1.35 gm fat)
Fat	24.4 gm olive oil	6 (+0.35 gm)
Carbohydrate	21.9 gm thinly sliced zucchini, lengthwise	1
	8.5 gm Rao's® sensitive marinara sauce	0.3 (-0.75 gm fat)
Other	Salt, garlic powder, and dried oregano	

DIRECTIONS

- In a small pan, combine the chopped or thinly sliced pastrami and ricotta cheese.
- Season to taste with salt, pepper, and garlic powder.
- Using a mandolin slicer, thinly slice the zucchini lengthwise.
- Place two zucchini slices down, placing one over top of the other to form an X.
- Scoop the pastrami and ricotta cheese mixture on the X intersection of the zucchini slices.
- Fold the zucchini slices around the pastrami mixture.
- Preheat the oven to 350°F.
- Line a baking sheet with parchment paper.
- Place the ravioli on the parchment paper, with the zucchini ends facing the bottom.
- Bake for 10-15 minutes until zucchini appears tender.
- In a separate bowl, combine the marinara sauce and olive oil. Season to taste.
- Serve the zucchini ravioli with the marinara sauce mixture.

VARIATIONS

- Either the ricotta or the pastrami can be omitted to create a kosher option.
- Regular marinara sauce can also be used.
- Other meats can be used such as ground beef, turkey, or chicken.
- Other thinly sliced vegetables can be used such as yellow squash, carrot, or eggplant.
- The filling can be stored in the freezer, but not the zucchini component. Zucchini will become soggy in the freezer and no longer have the same texture once reheated.

NEW INGREDIENTS

Beef Pastrami (generic exchange)

• 1 protein exchange= 9.2 gm (+0.5 gm fat)

Rao's Sensitive Marinara Sauce (brand specific, unseasoned marinara sauce)

• 1 carbohydrate exchange= 28.3 gm (-2.5 gm fat)

