Baked "Cauliflower Mac & Cheese"

Prep Time: 15 min Cook Time: 30 Mins Serving Size: 6 Servings

6-8 C Cauliflower, chopped into 1-inch pieces (About 1 1/2 heads of cauliflower)

- 2 Tbl. Butter
- 3 Tbl. Flour
- 2 C. whole milk
- 1 ½ tsp. salt
- ¼ tsp. black pepper
- ½ tsp. garlic powder
- ½ C. Seasoned breadcrumbs

2 C. shredded sharp cheddar cheese (about 8 oz. – don't use pre shredded cheese because it doesn't melt as well as block cheese. Shredded cheese has a special coating to make it not clump in the bag).

Instructions

- 1. Preheat oven to 375 degrees.
- 2. Fill microwave safe bowl with 1 inch of water. Add cauliflower and microwave on high for 8 mins. Drain and set cauliflower aside.
- 3. In a large saucepan, melt butter over medium heat.
- 4. Stir in flour for about 3 minutes.
- 5. Gradually whisk in the milk, a little at a time until completely incorporated and the mixture is thick and smooth.
- 6. Remove from heat, salt and pepper to taste. Stir in garlic powder and shredded cheese until melted and completely incorporated and smooth.
- 7. Stir I cauliflower. Transfer to a 9 x 13-inch baking dish.
- 8. Top with breadcrumbs.
- 9. Bake for 25 minutes until cheese is bubbly and begins to brown. Switch to broil for 2 mins to brown and caramelize the tire a bit more.
- 10. The dish will be hot so allow it to cool a little before serving.

Nutrition

Calories: 243 for 1/6th of dish Carbs: 12 g. Protein: 14 g Fat 16 g Saturated Fat: 10 Cholesterol: 48 Sodium: 886 mmg Potassium: 454 mg Fiber: 2 g Sugar: 6 g Calcium: 392