

# St. Johanner Nödelfest Recipe book



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### To your dumplings, get set, go!

When it comes to 'Knödl' (or dumplings), nobody beats us Tyroleans. In over 40 years, our St. Johann dumpling festival has evolved and is now a real summit meeting that enjoys cult status with gourmets from across the globe. Every year in September the town centre is transformed into an open-air restaurant, with music on every corner, and the aroma of dumplings hanging in the air.

Around 26,000 dumplings in 22 different varieties are freshly prepared by 20 dumpling makers each and every year – including wonderful hearty creations, sweet little bombs, tasty exotic titbits and fantastic fusions.

What unites all these dumpling

creations: they are round, and they make you happy.

Since it isn't possible to take all the dumplings home with you, we have this lovely little recipe book, which divulges a few secret recipes for you.

TIP: On Sunday there is the dumpling festival 'Frühschoppen' - an early morning pint - at St. Johann's market square, when music brings the weekend to a close.

Not to be missed!

#### IT'S SET TO BE BUSY - SO GET PLANNING!

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To make cheese dumplings, add the cubed bread and boiled, finely grated potatoes, cheese (chopped into small cubes), eggs, salt and pepper to a bowl.

Fry the onions until they are translucent, add the hot milk, freshly chopped parsley and stir in the flour. Rest for 15 minutes, then shape into dumplings.

Bring to the boil in salted water and lightly simmer for around 20 minutes. Serve the dumplings in onion soup.

#### Apple dumplings

Pssst ...

the landlady at Hotel Zur schönen Aussicht will give you the recipe for apple dumplings herself.

Hotel Zur schönen Aussicht www.schoene-aussicht.com

'A heavenly duo! Just a spoonful separates our hearty cheese dumplings and the fruity, sweet apple dumplings."

- Elisabeth Grander



Sweat the onions in butter, mix with the bread cubes. Beat together the eggs, milk and salt, mix in the bread cubes and parsley, leave for 30 minutes. Blanch the broccoli. refresh in cold water, then fry in butter with garlic. Roughly chop. Stir in ricotta, season.

Spread the dumpling mixture on two buttered napkins, add the broccoli filling, roll up, twist the ends. Boil for 25-30 minutes in simmering water with salt added.

Sweat the onions, stir in the flour, deglaze with milk, vegetable stock, then add the ricotta and cheese, season. Puree the sauce, garnish with chives.

Lift the dumplings out of the water, remove the napkin, cut into slices and serve with the cheese sauce.

Bomba Coffee

#### 'A must for cheese fans!'

- Philipp Behrendt



#### veaetarian Napkin dumplings with a broccoli filling & cheese sauce Ingredients **Dumpling mixture** Sauce 500 g broccoli 300 ml vegetable stock 300 ml milk 150 g ricotta 250 g bread cubes 100 ml milk 100 g butter 50 g alpine cheese 100 g ricotta 20 g butter 3 garlic cloves 10 g flour 1 onion 2 eggs 1 tbsp chives 1 onion 1 tbsp parsley Nutmeg Salt Salt & pepper





- Birgit Muzzopappa

#### Preparation

Whisk the eggs, milk and salt. Leave the dumpling bread to soften in the mix for around 20 minutes, giving it a good stir often. Cut the salami into cubes, chop the onion and parsley.

Steam for a few minutes over a medium heat. Season with salt and pepper, then shape into dumplings and drop into boiling salted water. Leave for around 15 minutes.

Serve the cooked dumplings on a plate with some melted butter, freshly grated Parmesan and some fresh coleslaw.

Pizzeria La Rustica www.larustica.at





'Our 'Semmelknödel' are dumpling table classics! Just one more ...'

Josef Grande

#### Preparation

Fry the dumpling bread and 50 g onions in butter, blend the milk with the egg, mix everything together, including the salt, chopped parsley, marjoram, pepper and flour to form a dough.

Then shape with love to create neat dumplings and cook them in boiling salted water.

For the sauce, fry 100 g of chopped onions and the mushrooms in oil, add the stock, enhance with cream and season to taste with thyme, salt, pepper and parsley.

Hotel Park www.park.at









'These are melt in the mouth. An ideal dumpling for the mindful connoisseur.'

- Thomas Fink

#### Preparation

Mix the dumpling bread with the milk, eggs and other ingredients and let sit. Fry the chopped onions in butter until golden brown, mix into the rest of the mixture and season with fresh herbs, salt and pepper.

For the sauce, sweat the chanterelles and the onions in butter. Pour on the stock, simmer and season. Enrich with the cream and parsley.

Turn the dumplings, cook through and serve with the mushroom sauce and coleslaw.

Fink's Restaurant
www.finks-restaurant.at





- Kurt Schmiedberger

#### Preparation

Sweat the onions in a pan. Mix the dumpling bread, milk, eggs and flour. Grate the boiled potatoes into this mix and add the sweated onions.

Mix in your preferred blend of cheeses, add the fresh herbs, season to taste. Shape the dumplings and fry in a pan.

Serve the dumplings with either coleslaw, or in hot onion soup.

Villa Masianco www.villamasianco.at









- David Rass

#### Preparation

Prepare the potato dough as you like it. Try a little piece of the dumpling dough, if it is too soft, add some flour.

For the smoked meat dumplings, mix in the minced meat, while for the greaves dumplings, add the greaves, mixing with the other ingredients as per the recipe.

#### TIP:

Shape balls from the filling and set these in the freezer for 1 hour. This will give you nice round dumplings.

Wirtshaus Café Jagglbäck



For the bacon dumplings, sweat the diced onion and the bacon. Mix the eggs, flour, butter and seasoning with the dumpling bread and leave to sit for a while. Add milk if necessary.

Then shape into dumplings roughly equal in size, and cook in simmering salted water for around 20 minutes.

Best served with coleslaw, which makes a superb accompaniment.

Curd cheese apricot dumplings

Pssst ...

the landlord at Hotel Fischer will give you the recipe for delicious curd cheese-apricot dumplings himself.

Hotel Fischer\*\*\*Superior www.hotel-fischer.com

'Whether hearty with bacon, or sweet with curd cheese and apricots - you will be inspired!'

- Michael Grander



Curd cheese-apricot dumplings Bacon dumplin Bacon dumplings 200 g dumpling bread 1 onion 250 ml milk Nutmea 150 g cubed belly of pork Marjoram 80 a butter Salt 50 g flour Pepper 3 eggs





Rainer's dumplings make the ladies lovely and the men strong and valiant.'

- Karl Rainer

#### Top secret

This dumpling has oomph.

Named after our famous freedom fighter, Andreas Hofer, who lead the Tyrolean Rebellion in 1809, striking fear amongst the French troops.

We can't let you in on this strictly secret recipe, but what we can say is that the Andreas Hofer dumpling will bowl you over!

Café Konditorei Rainer www.cafe-rainer.com



Enjoy this traditional Chinese speciality

- Jinyao

#### Preparation

Marinade the mince, stirring vigorously in one direction until it becomes tacky and gelatinous. Then shape into little meatballs, repeatedly slapping them in your hands to increase their elasticity.

Heat the oil in a pan and fry the meat until the underside firms up, then flip. Fry over a low heat until the meatballs take on some colour, and remove.

Deep fry the meatballs, simmer for 20 minutes. Pour over the prepared sauce.

Panorama Asia Restaurant www.panorama-asia-restaurant









Our autumnal dumpling creation is a delicious way to serve pumpkin.

- Uwe Otto

#### Preparation

Sweat the onions and garlic in butter. Cut the pumpkin into small pieces and fry well in butter, then puree. Add the bread to a bowl, moisten with milk, then add the rest of the ingredients and the seasoning, working to a smooth dough. Add milk if the mixture is too dry.

Rest in the fridge for at least 15 minutes. Wet your hands and shape into dumplings, simmer gently in salted water for around 15 minutes.

Serve with melted butter and freshly grated Parmesan.

Eiscafé Venezia



- Sigrid Blumschein

#### Preparation

Heat the pulled beef and shape into six balls. Boil the water, add salt and nutmed, sprinkle in the polenta and boil briefly.

Let the mix cool, then stir in the egg. Beat in the pulled beef and shape into balls.

Roll the dumplings in breadcrumbs, fry, then serve with coleslaw and BBO sauce.

#### Apricot ice-cream dumplings

Pssst ...

you can get the recipe for sweet apricot ice-cream dumplings when you get here.

Hotel & Wirtshaus Post www.dashotelpost.at



can't decide, eat both!"



For the coconut vanilla dumplings, bake the biscuit, leave to cool, then break into small pieces. Prepare a pack of vanilla pudding according to the instructions and leave to cool.

Mix together the cooled pudding, coconut flakes, icing sugar and a pinch of Bourbon vanilla. Fold through the cream. Add the small broken up pieces of biscuit and shape into dumplings.

Roll in coconut flakes and serve with strawberry sauce.

## Chocolate cherry dumplings

By the way, this dumpling is the 'Black Forest gateau' of dumplings just round!

Krämerei www.kraemerei.at

#### 'Our sweet dumplings are all-round delicious every bite is a fruity delight.'

- The girls from Krämerei





Hearty dumpling delectation meets the piquancy of a traditional kebab.'

Becir Cobar

#### Preparation

Chop the parsley, peel the onion and chop into small dices.

Fry the onions in the butter until golden yellow, add milk and remove from the stove. Soften the dumpling bread in the milk and onion mix.

Then carefully mix in the eggs, salt, nutmeg, parsley and the kebab meat using a wooden spoon. Leave the mix to soak for 15 minutes.

Shape the dumplings and cook in salted water for around 10-12 minutes.

D&C Marktcafé Bistro









Hearty, piquant and simply irresistible.'

- Benedikt Zeuner

#### Preparation

Fry the finely chopped onions in a pan. Mix the dumpling bread, warmed milk, brown butter, egg and the onions. Add the herbs, freshly grated alpine cheese, salt and pepper and mix to a dough.

Then shape the dough into round dumplings and simmer in salted water.

To finish, top the dumplings with browned butter and Parmesan.

Gasthof zum Dampfl www.zumdampfl.at





'A green bomb of flavour that will even blow the minds of meat lovers'

- Andreas Höller

#### Preparation

Defrost the spinach. Sweat the onions (finely diced) in butter until they are soft. Mix the low-fat curd cheese with the eggs, carefully fold in the dumpling bread, add the spinach and season to taste with salt, pepper and nutmeq.

Leave for around 20 minutes and shape into dumplings. Boil in vegetable broth for around 8-10 minutes.

#### TIP:

Serve with a Parmesan foam or browned butter and Parmesan shavings.

Das Platzl www.dasplatzl.at







Create a dumpling dough from the ingredients, shape into dumplings and simmer in lightly salted water for around 12 minutes.

For the sauce, sweat the mushrooms and the onions in butter, add the strips of bacon and deglaze the pan with white wine.

Add the broth, cream, salt and pepper and cook until velvety smooth.

#### Chocolate vanilla dumplings

Pssst ...

you'll get the recipe for the chocolate vanilla dumplings when you get here.

Café - Pizzeria - Bar Pinocchio & Seisl

#### Our dumplings are prepared with a great deal of Amore and you can taste it.'

- Murat Gürbüzer



Mix the dumpling bread, seasoning, flour and parsley, add in the sweated onions, milk and eggs. Let the dough rest for half an hour, then shape the dumplings and simmer in salted water for 12 minutes.

For the sauce, heat vegetable fat in a pan to 180-200 degrees. Sauté the game bones and trimmings, pour over the red wine and water, strain.

In another pan, heat some fat and fry the onions, carrots and celeriac, pour over the game stock, add the mushrooms and chanterelles. Add the spice bag and bacon rind, simmer.

Stir in the cranberries, cream and parsley, take out the spice bag and the bacon rind, simmer for 10 minutes and season to taste with salt and pepper.

Der Pointenhof www.pointenhof.at 'The wildest dumpling of all. The best thing is that you don't have to hunt it, it's served fresh!'

- Johann Mettler







For the filling, brown the garlic, chilli and onions in olive oil, add the pepper and beef (chopped into small pieces), mix in all the herbs and the soft cheese and cook everything together. Then shape into small balls.

For the dumping mix, boil the potatoes in water first until they are al dente, peel and rice them. Then add the melted butter, flour, semolina, egg, salt and nutmeg; knead well.

Shape the dough into a roll, cut into pieces of equal size. Then, together with the pre-shaped filling, shape into dumplings with wet hands and boil in a pot of salted water. When the dumplings float to the surface after around 15 minutes they are ready to eat.

Rockbar www.rockbar.tirol

#### 'Our own creation the perfect balance of spice and flavour.'

- Michelle Da Silva



For the sour cherry compote, cook all the ingredients (except the cornflour) for around 10-15 minutes and add the cornflour and water mix to achieve the desired thickness. Simmer the dumplings. Roll the dumplings in sugared breadcrumbs and serve with the sour cherry compote.

salted water for around 15 minutes.

#### Wild garlic dumplings

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you will get the wild garlic dumpling recipe when you get here.

Berggasthaus Grander Schupf www.granderschupf.at

We tinkered for a long time until we found the perfect harmony between apples, poppyseeds and curd cheese!'

- Annelies Schober





25 g curd cheese, 2 eggs 2 tbsp flour, oil & white breadcrumbs

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Sour cherry compote

500 g each of sour cherries & sugar 125 ml each red wine & water

Lemon juice

Cinnamon & cornflour (as required)

190 ml water and milk mix

60 g apple jelly

50 g each of butter & sugar

30 g finely ground poppy seeds

1-2 apples

1 pinch of cinnamon

Raisins Rum

Breadcrumbs & sugar



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