



Stuffing

While the turkey is the centerpiece of a memorable Thanksgiving dinner, a delicious stuffing is also an important part of your meal. Here, we're sharing a generations-old recipe for stuffing traditionally served at Amish weddings... and no, we are not apologizing that it includes real lard!

Serves 10–12 adults.

Ingredients

- 16 cups bread cubes
- 1¼ sticks salted butter
- ¼ cup lard
- 2 eggs
- ¾ tablespoon salt
- 1 teaspoon black pepper
- 1½ cups celery (finely chopped in food processor)

Instructions

- 1. Preheat your oven to 350°.
- 2. Melt the butter in a saucepan, then add the lard. Stir over low heat until the lard is fully melted, then remove it from the heat.
- 3. Put the bread cubes in a bowl, then pour about half of the lard mixture over the bread cubes. Gently mix them with a spatula until thoroughly combined.
- 4. Beat the eggs well and add the salt and pepper. Pour the eggs over the bread cubes and stir the mixture thoroughly.

- 5. Add the celery to the saucepan containing the remaining lard mixture. Put the saucepan back over medium heat, stirring frequently, until the celery is hot.
- 6. Let the celery cool, then stir it into the bread mixture.
- 7. Cook the stuffing at 350° in a covered baking dish, stirring occasionally, until it's hot throughout (about 30–45 minutes).
- 8. Gut essa, mein Freund! (Eat well, my friends!)
- 9. Store any leftovers in a covered container in the refrigerator for up to five days.

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