

RAMP PESTO GNOCCHI

Yield: 4 Servings

POTATO GNOCCHI INGREDIENTS

4 medium Russet Potatoes, scrubbed (about 2 lbs.)

1 ½ cups All-Purpose Flour, plus more for rolling

1 tsp. Kosher Salt

1 Egg, beaten

RAMP PESTO INGREDIENTS

²/₃ cup trimmed and sliced Ramps, divided
³/₄ cup high-quality Extra-Virgin Olive Oil, divided
1 cup packed Fresh Basil leaves
1 cup packed Fresh Parsley leaves

Sea Salt, to taste

FINISHING AND PLATING INGREDIENTS

Potato Gnocchi

⅔ cup Ramp Pesto

³⁄₄ cup Grated Pecorino-Romano Cheese, divided

1/2 cup fresh Grated Aged Goat Cheese

Fresh Cracked Black Pepper

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POTATO GNOCCHI METHOD

- 1. In a 400° F oven bake potatoes on parchment-lined sheet tray for 45 minutes. Peel and pass through a ricer into a large bowl; let cool.
- 2. Make a well in center of potatoes; add the egg, flour, and salt. Work together until a dough has formed.
- Turn out dough onto lightly floured work surface. Gently knead until smooth, 1 minute. Tear off a lemon-sized dough piece and roll into ³/₄"-thick rope.
- 4. Cut the rope crosswise every ³/₄" with a sharp knife to make square gnocchi. Repeat with the remaining dough.
- 5. To create gnocchi's signature grooves, roll each piece slowly down the length of a wooden gnocchi board (or back of a dinner fork) while simultaneously pressing on the dough with your thumb to form a shallow indentation.
- 6. Cover gnocchi with a kitchen towel until ready to cook.

RAMP PESTO METHOD

- 1. In a medium skillet over medium-high heat, saute ½ cup ramps in 1 Tbsp. oil until softened.
- In a food processor, pulse together the cooked and raw ramps, basil and parsley. Stream in the remaining olive oil and process until pesto is smooth. Season to taste with salt.
- 3. Chill until ready to use.

FINISHING AND PLATING METHOD

- 1. In a large pot of boiling salted water, drop in half the gnocchi. Gently stir and cook until tender, about 1 minute after they rise to the surface.
- 2. Drain, reserve ½ cup pasta cooking water. Repeat with remaining gnocchi.
- 3. Warm pesto in a large skillet over medium-low heat. Add in cooked gnocchi and ½ cup reserved pasta water; toss to combine. Fold in ½ cup of pecorino.
- 4. Divide gnocchi among 4 plates. Sprinkle with remaining pecorino; top with aged goat cheese and fresh cracked black pepper.

