Smoked Cheddar and Sweet Potato Biscuits

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Yield: 18 biscuits

1/2 can (15 ounce) sweet potatoes, drained and mashed to yield one cup puree'

3/4 cup buttermilk 2 cups unbleached all-purpose flour 1/4 cup whole wheat flour

2 tablespoons coconut sugar (or granulated sugar)

2 1/4 teaspoons baking powder 1/2 teaspoon baking soda

1/2 teaspoon salt 1 stick (1/2 cup) unsalted butter,

1 1/2 cups (4 ounces) smoked sharp Cheddar cheese, shredded SORGHUM BUTTER

1 stick butter, softened

2 - 3 tablespoons sorghum or honey coarse salt (to taste)

Preparation Time: 25 minutes Bake:

Prepare the sorghum butter. In a bowl, blend the butter and sorghum until smooth. Taste and blend in a little coarse salt as desired. Use at room temperature.

Preheat the oven to 425 degrees.

Line two baking sheets with parchment paper.

Place the sweet potato puree' into a small bowl. Stir in the buttermilk until smooth.

In a food processor fitted with a metal blade, place the flours, sugar, baking powder, baking soda and salt. Process to mix. Dice the cold butter and sprinkle over the flour mixture. Use on/off turns to cut the butter into the dry ingredients until the mixture resembles coarse crumbs. Add the sweet potato mixture and cheese. Pulse once or twice, just until a soft dough forms.

Scrape the dough out onto a floured work surface. Use floured hands to gently pat it into a 3/4-inch-thick round. Using a floured two-inch round biscuit cutter, cut out twelve biscuits. Place on prepared baking sheets. Gently press the scraps together and press out six more biscuits. Bake until the tops are golden brown, 15 to 20 minutes.

Serve warm with sorghum butter.

To make these biscuits without a food processor, place the flour mixture into a alrge bowl. Use two knives or a pastry blender to cut the cubed butter into the flour until the mixture resembles coarse crumbs. Add the sweet potato mixture and cheese. Gather into a dough by stirring with a spoon. Do not overmix.

Per Serving (excluding unknown items): 1876 Calories; 186g Fat (87.1% calories from fat); 13g Protein; 49g Carbohydrate; 6g Dietary Fiber; 503mg Cholesterol; 3944mg Sodium. Exchanges: 2 1/2 Grain(Starch); 1/2 Non-Fat Milk; 37 Fat; 0 Other Carbohydrates.

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Calories (kcal):		Vitamin B6 (mg): Vitamin B12 (mcg):	.2mg
% Calories from Fat:	87.1%	\	.7mcg
% Calories from Carbohydrates:	10.2%	Thiamin B1 (mg):	.2mg
% Calories from Protein:	2.7%	Riboflavin B2 (mg):	.5mg
Total Fat (g):	186g	Folacin (mcg):	32mcg
Saturated Fat (g):	116g	Niacin (mg):	3mg
Monounsaturated Fat (g):	54g	Caffeine (mg):	0mg
Polyunsaturated Fat (g):	7g	Alcohol (kcal):	0 0 0%
Cholesterol (mg):	503mg		
Carbohydrate (g):	49g	Food Exchanges	
Dietary Fiber (g):	6g	Grain (Starch):	2 1/2
Protein (g):	13g	Lean Meat:	0
Sodium (mg):	3944mg	Vegetable:	0
Potassium (mg):	593mg	Fruit:	0
Calcium (mg):	907mg	Non-Fat Milk:	1/2
Iron (mg):	3mg	Fat:	37
Zinc (mg):	2mg	Other Carbohydrates:	0
Vitamin C (mg):	17mg		
Vitamin A (i.u.):	20037IU		
Vitamin A (r.e.):	3032RE		

Nutrition Facts

Calories 1876	Calories from Fat: 1634
	% Daily Values*
Total Fat 186g	287%
Saturated Fat 116g	578%
Cholesterol 503mg	168%
Sodium 3944mg	164%
Total Carbohydrates 49g	16%
Dietary Fiber 6g	22%
Protein 13g	
Vitamin A	401%
Vitamin C	28%
Calcium	91%
Iron	17%

^{*} Percent Daily Values are based on a 2000 calorie diet.