

# Fruity French Toast Casserole



## Ingredients

8 cups **bread** cubes; try whole grain bread

2 cups **fruit**, sliced or chopped- fresh, frozen or canned

4 eggs, slightly beaten

1 cup milk

2 teaspoons vanilla

1/4 cup sugar

1/4 cup margarine or butter, softened

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1/2 cup **flour** (all-purpose or whole wheat)

# Makes: 8 cups Prep time: 10 minutes Cooking time: 45 minutes



### **Directions**

- 1. Lightly oil or spray an 8" x 8" baking dish or 2-quart casserole. Add bread cubes and fruit.
- 2. In a medium bowl, blend eggs, milk, vanilla, and sugar. Pour over bread cubes and fruit. Stir gently to wet all bread with egg mixture.
- 3. Cover and refrigerate until all liquid is absorbed (30 mins), or overnight.
- 4. Just before baking, remove casserole from refrigerator. Preheat oven to 350 degrees F.
- 5. Make the topping: In a small bowl, combine the softened margarine, sugar, and flour with a fork until crumbly.
- 6. Uncover the casserole and sprinkle topping over fruit. Bake until completely set, and starting to brown, (160 degrees F in the center), about 35-40 minutes. A longer baking time is needed when dish is chilled overnight. Serve warm.
- 7. Refrigerate leftovers within 2 hours.

### **Notes**

This is a great recipe for using up extra bread.

### Variations:

- For the fruit, try peaches, pears, berries or diced apples.
- Lightly sprinkle with cinnamon or other spices such as nutmeg, ground cloves, allspice or cardamom at the end of step 2.
- Try topping with a spoonful of yogurt when serving.

Amount per Serving Calories	290
<b>P</b>	Dully Value
Total Fat 9g	12%
Saturated Fat 2g	10 %
Trans Fat 0g	
Cholesterol 95mg	32%
Sodium 270mg	12 %
Total Carbohydrate 44g	16%
Dietary Fiber 1g	4 %
Total Sugars 22g	
Includes 13g Added Sugars	26 %
Protein 8g	
Vitamin D 1mcg	6%
Calcium 70mg	6%
Iron 2mg	10%
Potassium 173mg	4 %
Vitamin A 130mcg	14 %
Vitamin C 1mg	2 %

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