More than 1 hour

Makes 16

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Ingredients:

Filling:

- 3 medium potatoes, peeled and quartered
- Salt and milled pepper
- ⅓ cup (80g) cubed butter
- ½ cup (80ml) grated gruyere cheese (optional)
- ½ batch garlic mushroom sauté (<u>click here for full recipe</u>)

Dough:

- 3/5 cup (150ml) lukewarm water
- 2 Tbsp (30ml) olive oil
- 1 Tbsp (15ml) white wine vinegar or lemon juice
- 1 large egg + whisked egg, for brushing
- 2 cups (300g) flour + extra, for dusting
- · Basil pesto and micro herbs, for serving

Method

- 1. Boil potatoes in salted water for about 15 minutes until tender. Drain well.
- 2. Add butter, cheese and mash until smooth.
- 3. Season and set aside to cool.
- 4. Whisk together wet ingredients for dough.
- 5. Place flour in a bowl and make a well in the centre.
- 6. Pour wet ingredients into the well and mix to form a soft dough.
- 7. Transfer onto a lightly floured surface and knead for 5-8 minutes, until dough is smooth and elastic.
- 8. Cover in clingwrap and rest in the fridge for at least an hour.

- 9. Preheat oven to 180°C and line two trays with baking paper.
- 10. Divide dough into two even-sized balls on a floured surface.
- 11. Press balls out into two rectangles using your fingertips.
- 12. Roll out to 5mm thick, keeping the rectangular shape of about 50cm x 20cm.
- 13. Cut each rectangle vertically into eight even strips.
- 14. Place 2 Tbsp (30ml) cooled cheesy mash in the centre of a dough strip and top with 1-2 Tbsp (15-30ml) garlicky mushroom sauté.
- 15. Stretch edges of dough over filling, making sure it is all enclosed by tucking edges into the centre.
- 16. Repeat process with remaining dough strips and filling until you have 16 knishes.
- 17. Place on baking trays and brush with egg.
- 18. Bake for 35-40 minutes until golden.
- 19. Serve as is, or with dollops of pesto and micro herb garnish.

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