

# Dijon Chicken Asparagus Roll Ups

### 3 tablespoons

Dijon mustard 1/2 cup low fat mayonnaise 1 lemon, juiced

(approximately 3 tablespoons)

2 teaspoons dried thyme 4 skinless, boneless 2 teaspoons

black pepper 1/2 teaspoon salt

16 spears fresh asparagus, trimmed chicken breast halves (about 5 ounces each)

4 slices skimmed mozzarella cheese

1 cup panko bread crumbs

Preheat oven to 400 degrees F. Grease an 11-by-7-inch baking dish. In a bowl, mix together the mustard, mayonnaise, lemon juice, thyme, salt and pepper; set aside. Place asparagus in a microwave safe dish and microwave on high 1-11/2 minutes. Place chicken breasts between two sheets of heavy plastic (a re-sealable freezer bag works well) on a firm surface. Pound the chicken breasts with the smooth side of a meat mallet to thickness of 1/4 inch. Place one slice of cheese and four asparagus spears on each breast. Tightly roll the chicken breasts around the asparagus

and cheese. Place each, seam side down, in the prepared baking dish. **Apply** a coating of the mustard mixture to each chicken breast and sprinkle each with the panko crumbs, pressing the crumbs into the chicken to secure. **Bake** 35 minutes or until the chicken temperature is 165 degrees F. For crisper chicken, place roll-ups under the broiler for 1-2 minutes on high.

Yield: 4 servings

## **Nutritional Analysis:**

370 calories, 10 g fat, 3.5 g saturated fat, 115 mg cholesterol, 1060 mg sodium, 2 g fiber, 2 g sugars, 41 g protein.

# Kentucky Asp

SEASON: April through May.

**NUTRITION FACTS:** Asparagus is a good source of vitamin A and folate. One-half cup of fresh, steamed asparagus has 22 calories, 2 grams of protein and 4 grams of carbohydrate.

**SELECTION:** Choose bright green stalks with tightly closed tips. The tenderest stalks are apple green in color with purple-tinged tips.

**STORAGE:** Fresh asparagus will keep 1 week or more in

the refrigerator. Store upright with cut ends in water or with cut ends wrapped in wet paper towels in a plastic bag.

PREPARATION: One pound of asparagus will yield 4 one-half cup servings, about six spears per serving. Wash asparagus thoroughly in cool, running water. Eat asparagus raw or lightly boil, steam, stir-fry or grill. Overcooked asparagus will be mushy. Try seasoning it with herbs, butter or Parmesan cheese.

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