

## Ricotta and zucchini cannelloni

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Get ready to roll! This light and lovely twist on traditional cannelloni, swaps pasta sheets for zucchini ribbons. It's a clever way to make the most of your zucchini glut. Perfect for kitchen garden classes, it's fun to make, super colourful, and full of zesty flavour. Our thanks to Donna Hay for generously sharing this delicious recipe with us for Kitchen Garden Month.

Fresh from the garden: baby spinach, mint, lemon, zucchinis

## **INGREDIENTS**

1½ cups (180g) frozen peas (easy peasy!)
2 eggs
1½ cups (360g) fresh ricotta
2 cups (50g) baby spinach leaves, roughly chopped
¼ cup (14g) finely chopped mint
2 teaspoons finely grated lemon rind sea salt and cracked black pepper, to taste

3–4 zucchinis, thinly sliced lengthways using a mandolin (you'll need about 24 long slices)

2 cups (500ml) tomato puree (passata) ½ cup (50g) grated mozzarella

Preheat oven to 180°C.

Place the peas in a colander and rinse them under hot running water to thaw. Drain well and place in a big bowl. Using a fork or potato masher, roughly mash the peas. Crack the eggs on top and add the ricotta, spinach, mint, lemon rind, salt and pepper. Mix well with a spatula.

Place 1 heaped tablespoon of the pea mixture at one end of each slice of zucchini. Roll up the slices to enclose the filling.

Pour the puree into a 22cm x 30cm (2-litre-capacity) baking dish. Nestle the zucchini rolls into the dish so they fit snugly. Sprinkle with the mozzarella and bake for 30 minutes or until golden and cooked through.

Wear your oven gloves to take the dish from the oven and allow to cool a little, before spooning onto serving plates.

**SERVES 4-6** 

