

LILY'S CREAMY COCONUT JAPANESE SWEET POTATOES

PREP TIME: 10 MINS | COOK TIME: 1 HR | SERVES: 4-6

This Thanksgiving, elevate your culinary experience with a delightful pairing that promises to be a showstopper at your table. Lily, our winemaker's wife, is sharing her Creamy Coconut Japanese Sweet Potatoes recipe that perfectly complements the crisp and vibrant notes of our 2023 Joseph Jewell Vermentino. The rich, velvety texture of the sweet potatoes, enhanced by the tropical flavors of coconut milk and butter, creates a harmonious blend with the Vermentino's bright acidity and refreshing citrus undertones. This pairing is sure to bring a touch of elegance and warmth to your holiday feast, making every bite and sip a memorable delight.

INGREDIENTS

- 5-6 large
 Japanese sweet
 potatoes or
 traditional orange
 yams
- ½ cup full-fat coconut milk
- 1 cup coconut butter (not coconut oil)

INSTRUCTIONS

- Preheat oven to 400°F (200°C).
- Bake the Potatoes: Wash the sweet potatoes or yams and place them on a baking sheet. Bake for about 60 minutes, or until they are tender and a fork easily pierces through them.
- **Prepare the Mash:** Remove the sweet potatoes from the oven and let them cool slightly. Once cool enough to handle, remove the skins and place the flesh in a mixing bowl.
- Mix in Coconut Ingredients: Using a stand mixer or hand mixer on low speed, add the coconut milk and coconut butter to the potatoes. Mix until smooth and creamy. Adjust the consistency with a bit more coconut milk, if needed.
- **Serve and Enjoy:** Transfer the creamy sweet potato mixture to a serving bowl and enjoy warm.

TIPS

- **Optional Flavor Additions:** Try adding a pinch of cinnamon, nutmeg, or a drizzle of maple syrup for extra flavor.
- **Texture Adjustment:** For a thicker consistency, reduce the coconut milk slightly. For a looser mash, add a splash more.