# **Spinach Artichoke Cheese Football**

If you love Spinach Artichoke Dip, you'll love this make ahead spread version! Shape like a football for a game day party or make round for an easy appetizer anytime.



**Prep Time**: 20 min **Total Time**: 50 min Makes 3-3/4 cups spread or 30 servings, 2 Tbsp. spread and 16 WHEAT THINS each.

### **Ingredients**

4 cups tightly packed baby spinach leaves

1 Tbsp. water

½ cup roasted red peppers, divided

2 pkg. (8 oz. each) Neufchatel cheese, softened

1 cup shredded low-moisture part-skim mozzarella cheese

½ cup finely shredded Parmesan cheese

1 can (15 oz.) artichoke hearts, drained, chopped

1 tsp. garlic powder

WHEAT THINS Original Snacks

## **Preparation**

**Microwave** spinach and water in microwaveable bowl on HIGH 1 to 1-1/2 min. or just until spinach is wilted; cool.

**Drain** spinach well, then squeeze to remove any remaining moisture. Chop coarsely.

**Cut** 1 (5x1/4-inch) strip and 3 (1-1/2x1/4-inch) strips from roasted peppers; set aside.

**Chop** remaining peppers; place in medium bowl. Add cheeses, artichokes, garlic powder and spinach; mix well. Shape into 9x4-inch oval on plate; top with pepper strips to resemble football as shown in photo.

Refrigerate 30 min.

**Serve** with WHEAT THINS.

#### **Tips**

#### **Special Extra**

Serve with carrot and celery sticks in addition to the WHEAT THINS.

#### **Shortcut**

Omit the water. Substitute 1/2 cup thawed frozen chopped spinach, drained and squeezed dry, for the cooled cooked fresh spinach.

**Nutrition Information per Serving:** 200 Calories, 10 g Total Fat, 3 g Saturated Fat, 0 g *Trans* Fat, 15 mg Cholesterol, 390 mg Sodium, 24 g Total Carbohydrate, 3 g Dietary Fiber, 5g Total Sugars (Includes 4 g Added Sugars), 6 g Protein