## **HEALTHY RECIPES**





Breakfast

### Springtime Cereal

Serves 2

#### Ingredients

3/4 cup - wheat and barley nugget cereal

1/4 cup - 100% bran cereal

2 TEASPOONS - toasted sunflower seeds

2 TEASPOONS - toasted sliced almonds

1 TABLESPOON - raisins

1/2 cup - bananas, sliced

1 cup - strawberries, sliced

1 cup - low-fat raspberry or strawberry yogurt

CALORIES: 352 TOTAL FAT: 6G FIBER: 8G

CARBOHYDRATES: 69G **S**ODIUM: **272**MG

#### **Directions**

- 1 Mix the wheat and barley nugget cereal, bran cereal, sunflower seeds, and almonds in a medium bowl. Add the raisins, the bananas, and half of the strawberries.
- 2 Gently stir in the yogurt and divide between 2 bowls. Scatter the remaining strawberries over the top and enjoy!

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### Cinnamon French Toast

Serves 2

### **Ingredients**

- 4 slices cinnamon bread
- 4 egg whites or equivalent egg substitute
- 1 TEASPOON vanilla extract
- 1/8 TEASPOON nutmeg

Cinnamon

Powdered sugar

Syrup

#### **Directions**

- 1 Spray pan with non-stick spray. Crack egg whites into a bowl, discarding the yolks. Add vanilla and nutmeg. Whip well. Dip bread into egg mixture, coating both sides.
- 2 Over medium heat, toast bread. Sprinkle cinnamon on each side of the bread. When done, sprinkle with powdered sugar and serve.

If desired, top with syrup.

CALORIES: 360 TOTAL FAT: 3G FIBER: 3G

**S**ODIUM: **780**MG



### Strawberry Yogurt Breakfast Split

Serves 1

### Ingredients

- 1 banana
- 4 ounces (1cup) fresh strawberries
- 4 ounces (1/2 cup) vanilla yogurt
- 1 TABLESPOON toasted almonds, chopped

CALORIES: 312
TOTAL FAT: 7G
FIBER: 5G
CHOLESTEROL: 5MG
SODIUM: 75MG

### **Directions**

- 1 Peel and split banana.
- 2 Place banana halves in serving bowl.
- **3** Top with strawberries, yogurt, and almonds.

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Serves 4

### Ingredients

1/2 - cantaloupe

1 cup - fat free milk

1 1/2 cups - ice

1 TO 2 TEASPOONS - sugar or an equivalent sweetener

CALORIES: 90
TOTAL FAT: 0G
FIBER: 1G
CHOLESTEROL: 2MG
SODIUM: 74MG

### **Directions**

- 1 Cut cantaloupe into small cubes.
- 2 Blend all ingredients until smooth.
- 3 Sweeten to taste.

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### Fruit Pancakes

Serves 4

### Ingredients

4 servings - pancake mix

**2** cups - thawed frozen or fresh blueberries

vegetable oil spray

1 cup - thawed frozen or fresh strawberries, chopped or banana pieces

(make sure to drain frozen fruit)

### **Directions**

- 1 Make the pancake batter according to package directions. Have 2 cups of the fruit, plain or mixed, ready.
- 2 Coat a skillet or griddle with vegetable oil spray and heat.
- 3 When it's nice and hot, spoon the batter into the hot pan making whatever size cakes you want.
- 4 Scatter the fruit on top, 1/4 cup for smaller cakes and 1/2 cup for larger cakes. Turn when brown and cook until done.
- **5** Lay on a hot plate, top with a little jam and a few more berries, and serve immediately.

CALORIES: 236
TOTAL FAT: 6G
SATURATED FAT: 2G
CARBOHYDRATES: 43G
SODIUM: 251MG

### Cinnamon-Orange Pancakes

Serves 6 — Serving size is 2 pancakes

#### Ingredients

3/4 cup - all purpose flour

2 TABLESPOONS - wheat germ

1 cup - whole wheat flour

2 TEASPOONS - baking powder

1 TABLESPOON - sugar

1 TEASPOONS - ground cinnamon

1 cup - skim milk

3/4 cup - fresh orange juice

1 - egg or equivalent egg substitute

**1 TEASPOON** - grated fresh orange peel

Vegetable oil spray

# CALORIES: 171 TOTAL FAT: 1G SATURATED FAT: 0G CHOLESTEROL: 1MG

**S**ODIUM: **140**MG

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### **Directions**

- 1 In a medium mixing bowl, combine all dry ingredients and mix until well blended.
- 2 In another medium bowl, combine all liquid ingredients and orange peel. Stir to mix well.
- 3 Pour liquid ingredients into dry ingredients and stir only until moistened.
- 4 Preheat griddle or skillet for pancakes. Spray lightly with vegetable oil spray.
- 5 For each pancake, pour 1/4 cup of batter onto griddle or skillet. Turn each pancake when edges are dry and bubbles appear on top. Serve hot.

### French Toast with Blueberry-Orange Sauce

Serves 4

### **Ingredients**

#### FRENCH TOAST

1/2 cup - egg substitute or 2 whole eggs

1/4 cup - evaporated skim milk

1/2 TEASPOON - vanilla

8 slices - whole wheat bread vegetable oil spray

#### SAUCE

**2** cups - fresh or frozen blueberries

1/4 cup - orange juice concentrate

#### **Directions**

- 1 Stir the blueberries and orange juice concentrate together in a saucepan and heat gently.
- 2 Preheat the oven to 250° F.
- 3 Combine the egg substitute or eggs with the milk and vanilla.
- 4 Heat a large heavy skillet and coat with vegetable oil spray. Dip as many slices of the bread as will fit in the pan into the egg mixture and cook until brown on one side. Turn and brown the other side. Keep warm in the oven. Repeat with the rest of the bread.
- 5 Divide the french toast among 4 hot plates and spoon the sauce over them.

CALORIES: 215
TOTAL FAT: 3G
SATURATED FAT: 1G
CARBOHYDRATES: 40G
SODIUM: 372MG

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### Spanish Omelet

Serves 5 — Serving size is 1/5 of omelet

#### **Ingredients**

5 - small potatoes, peeled and sliced

**1 TEASPOON** - olive oil or vegetable cooking spray

1/2 - medium onion, minced

1 - small zucchini, sliced

1 1/2 cup - green/red peppers, sliced thin

5 - medium mushrooms, sliced

3 - whole eggs, beaten

5 - egg whites, beaten

**3 OUNCES** - shredded part-skim mozzarella cheese

1 TABLESPOON - parmesan cheese

Pepper, garlic salt, and herbs to taste

#### **Directions**

- 1 Preheat the oven to 375° F.
- 2 Cook potatoes in boiling water until tender.
- 3 In a nonstick pan, add oil or vegetable spray and warm at medium heat.
- 4 Add the onion and sauté until brown. Add vegetables and sauté until tender but not brown.
- 5 In a medium mixing bowl, slightly beat the eggs and egg whites, pepper, garlic salt, and mozzarella cheese. Stir egg cheese mixture into the cooked vegetables.
- 6 Oil or spray a 10-inch pie pan or ovenproof skillet. Transfer potatoes and eggs mixture to pan. Spread with parmesan cheese and bake omelet until firm and brown on top, about 20 to 30 minutes.

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Recipe and Meal Planner Guide at
www.ndep.nih.gov/diabetes/mealplanner/

### Homestyle Biscuits

Serves 15

### **Ingredients**

2 cups - flour

2 TEASPOONS - baking powder

1/4 TEASPOON - baking soda

1/4 TEASPOON - salt

2 TABLESPOONS - sugar

2/3 cup - 1% buttermilk

3 TABLESPOONS + 1 TEASPOON - vegetable oil

#### **Directions**

- 1 Preheat the oven to 450° F.
- 2 In a medium bowl, combine flour, baking powder, baking soda, salt and sugar.
- 3 In a small bowl, stir together butter milk and oil. Pour over flour mixture; stir until well mixed.
- 4 On a lightly floured surface, knead dough gently for 10 to 20 strokes. Roll or pat dough to 3/4 inch thickness. Cut with a 2-inch biscuit or cookie cutter, dipping cutter in flour between cuts. Transfer biscuits to an ungreased sheet.
- **5** Bake for 12 minutes or until golden brown. Serve warm.

CALORIES: 99
TOTAL FAT: 3G
SATURATED FAT: LESS THAN 1G
CHOLESTEROL: LESS THAN 1G
SODIUM: 72MG

CALORIES: 242

### Apple Coffee Cake

Serves 20 — Serving size is 3 1/2 inch x 2 1/2 inch

### Ingredients

**5** cups - tart apples, cored, peeled chopped

1 cup - sugar

1 cup - dark raisins

1/2 cup - pecans, chopped

1/4 cup - vegetable oil

2 TEASPOONS - vanilla

1 cup - egg, beaten

2 1/2 cups - sifted all-purpose flour

1 1/2 TEASPOON - baking soda

**2** TEASPOONS - ground cinnamon

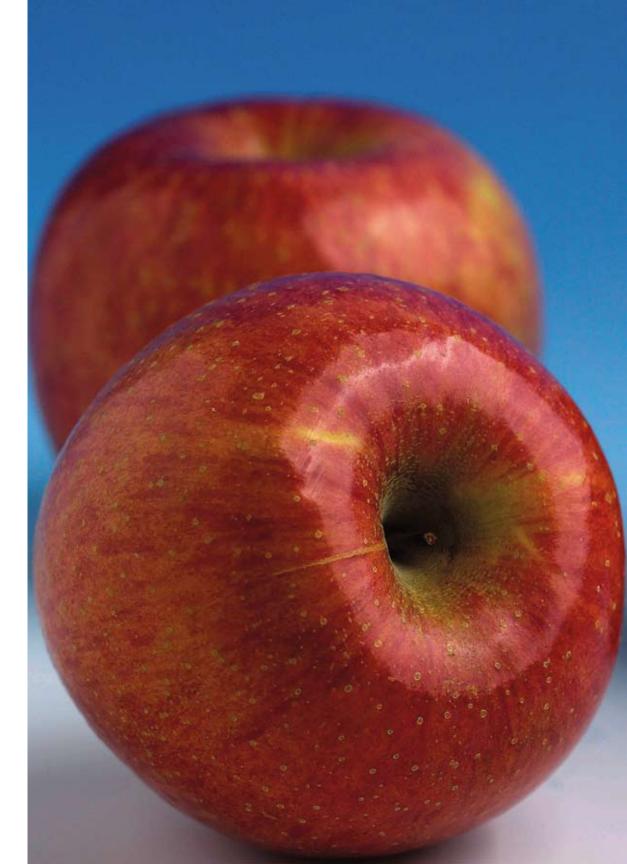
#### **Directions**

- 1 Preheat oven to 350° F.
- 2 Lightly oil a 13x9x2 inch pan.
- 3 In a large mixing bowl, combine apples with sugar, raisins, and pecans; mix well. Let stand 30 minutes.
- 4 Stir in oil, vanilla, and eggs. Sift together flour, baking soda, and cinnamon; stir into apple mixture about 1/3 at a time just enough to moisten dry ingredients.
- 5 Turn batter into pan. Bake 35 to 40 minutes. Cool cake slightly before serving.

CALORIES: 188
TOTAL FAT: 5G

SATURATED FAT: LESS THAN 1G

CHOLESTEROL: 11MG SODIUM: 68MG



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Lunch

### Make-Ahead Tuna Hoagie

Serves 8

#### **Ingredients**

- **1** 16 ounce loaf of sourdough French bread
- 1 12 1/4 ounce canned low-salt tuna, water-packed, drained and flaked
- **2 TABLESPOONS** balsamic or red wine vinegar
- **1/4 cup** fat-free, cholesterol-free mayonnaise or salad dressing
- 1 TEASPOON anchovy paste
- 1 large ripe tomato, thinly sliced
- 1/2 medium red onion, thinly sliced
- **1/4 cup** loosely packed fresh chopped parsley leaves

Freshly ground black pepper

#### **Directions**

- 1 Cut bread in half lengthwise. Using your fingers, hollow out each half of the bread, leaving a 1/2 inch shell. Save bread from inside loaf for another use.
- 2 In a small bowl, combine tuna and vinegar; set aside.
- 3 In another small bowl, stir together mayonnaise or salad dressing and anchovy paste. Spread the inside of each half of loaf with mayonnaise mixture. Spoon tuna mixture into the bottom half of bread.
- 4 Arrange tomato slices over tuna and season with pepper. Arrange onions over tomatoes and sprinkle with parsley. Top with remaining bread half.
- **5** Wrap loaf in foil and store in the refrigerator for 2 to 24 hours. To serve, cut into 8 slices.

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### Open-Face Vegetable Sandwiches

Serves 2

#### INGREDIENTS

2 to 4 TEASPOONS - dijon mustard

2 - whole-grain English muffins, split and toasted

1/2 cup - small broccoli florets

1/4 cup - red, yellow, or green bell pepper, chopped

1/4 cup - shredded carrot

1/2 cup - low-fat Monterey Jack cheese, shredded

#### **Directions**

- 1 Preheat broiler.
- 2 Spread mustard over the cut side of each English muffin half. Arrange broccoli, bell pepper, and carrot over mustard. Sprinkle with cheese.
- **3** Place English muffin halves on the unheated rack of a broiler pan.
- 4 Broil about 4 inches from the heat for 2 to 3 minutes, or until cheese melts.

CALORIES: 223
TOTAL FAT: 1G
SATURATED FAT: 0G
CHOLESTEROL: 8MG
SODIUM: 519MG

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### Heart-Healthful Turkey Reubens

Serves 4

### **Ingredients**

**1/4 cup** - fat-free Thousand Island salad dressing

**8** slices - dark rye or pumpernickel bread

vegetable oil spray

**8 ounces** - thinly sliced low-fat, low-sodium cooked turkey or chicken

1/2 cup - sauerkraut, rinsed and well drained

**4 SLICES** - low-fat Swiss cheese (1 1/2 ounces)

CALORIES: 273
TOTAL FAT: 5G
SATURATED FAT: 1G
CHOLESTEROL: 48MG
SODIUM: 780MG

#### **Directions**

- 1 Spread salad dressing on one side of each slice of bread. Top 4 slices of bread with turkey or chicken, sauerkraut and cheese. Top with remaining bread slices, dressing side down.
- 2 Spray a large skillet with vegetable oil. Cook 2 sandwiches over medium heat for 4 to 6 minutes, or until bread toasts and cheese melts, turning once.
- 3 Repeat with remaining sandwiches.

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### Vegetable Sandwich Booster

Serves 4

### Ingredients

1 - MEDIUM zucchini

1/2 cup - carrots, grated

1/4 cup - red wine or balsamic vinegar

1 - bell pepper

1 - small red onion

1 TEASPOON - olive oil

Salt and pepper to taste

CALORIES: 52
TOTAL FAT: 4G
FIBER: 1G
CHOLESTEROL: 0G
SODIUM: 5MG

### **Directions**

1 Slice all vegetables thinly. Toss with oil, vinegar, salt, and pepper. Add to sandwich to boost vegetable servings.

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### Grilled Vegetable and Cheese Sandwich

Serves 4

### **Ingredients**

CALORIES: 290

TOTAL FAT: 11G

**S**оріим: 939мg

SATURATED FAT: 3G

CHOLESTEROL: 30MG

- 2 large zucchini squash, cut lengthwise into eight 1/4 inch slices
- 4 slices sweet onion (such as Vidalia or Walla Walla) cut 1/4 inch thick
- 1 large yellow bell pepper, cut lengthwise into quarters
- **4 TABLESPOONS** prepared fat-free dressing, divided in half
- 8 oval slices sourdough bread
- 4 (1 ounce) slices low-fat cheese

#### **Directions**

- Prepare barbeque for grilling. Brush both sides of vegetables with 2 tablespoons of dressing. Place vegetables on grid over medium coals. Grill on covered grill 5 minutes. Turn; grill 2 minutes.
- 2 Brush both sides of bread lightly with remaining 2 tablespoons dressing. Place bread around vegetables; grill 2 minutes or until bread is lightly toasted. Turn bread; top 4 pieces of bread with 4 slices of cheese. Grill vegetables and bread 1 to 2 minutes more or until cheese is melted, bread is toasted and vegetables are crisptender.
- **3** Arrange vegetables over cheese side of bread; top with remaining bread.

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### Tuna Pita Pockets

Serves 2

### **Ingredients**

2 cups - iceberg lettuce, shredded

1 - 3 ounce canned tuna in spring water

1/2 cup - tomatoes

1/4 cup - green pepper

1/4 cup - carrots

1/4 cup - broccoli

1/4 cup - onion

1/4 cup - light ranch dressing

1 - whole-wheat pita pocket

#### **Directions**

- 1 Shred iceberg lettuce and place in bowl.
- 2 Dice tomatoes, green pepper, carrots, broccoli, and onion. Add to lettuce.
- 3 Toss well.
- 4 Drain tuna and place half in the bowl.
- 5 Add half of the dressing.
- 6 Add remaining tuna and ranch dressing.
- 7 Toss well.
- 8 Slice pita in half. Put 3/4 cup of the mixture into each pita pocket and serve.

CALORIES: 155
TOTAL FAT: 5G
FIBER: 3G

CHOLESTEROL: 10MG
SODIUM: 400MG

### Tuna Pasta Salad

Serves 4 — Serving size is 1 1/2 cup each

#### **Ingredients**

2 cups - macaroni, uncooked

2 - 6 1/2 ounce cans of tuna, water-pack, drained

1/2 cup - zucchini, chopped

1/4 cup - carrots, sliced

1/3 cup - onions, diced

1/4 cup - salad dressing, mayonnaise - type

#### **Directions**

- 1 Cook macaroni according to package directions.
- 2 Drain tuna.
- **3** Wash vegetables. Chop zucchini; slice carrots into thin slices; dice onions.
- **4** Mix macaroni, tuna, and vegetables together in mixing bowl. Stir in salad dressing.
- 5 Chill until ready to serve.

### Ingredients

1 cup - elbow macaroni, uncooked

Tuna Macaroni Salad

Serves 4 — Serving size is 1 1/2 cup each

- 2 6 ounce cans of tuna, water-pack, drained
- 4 eggs, hard cooked, finely diced
- 1/4 cup celery, chopped
- 3/4 cup carrots, grated
- 1/2 cup salad dressing, mayonnaise
- 2 TABLESPOONS onion, minced
- 1/4 TEASPOON black pepper

#### **Directions**

- 1 Place water in large saucepan and bring to boil. Add macaroni and cook until tender, about 6 to 8 minutes. Drain.
- 2 Combine macaroni, tuna, eggs, celery, and carrots in a large bowl.
- 3 Stir together salad dressing, onion, and pepper. Spoon dressing over salad; toss until evenly combined.
- 4 Chill until ready to serve.

CALORIES: 405
TOTAL FAT: 13G
SATURATED FAT: 2G
CHOLESTEROL: 25MG
SODIUM: 360MG



### Grilled Tri-Colored Pepper Salad

Serves 6

### Ingredients

- 1 each large red, yellow, and green bell pepper, cut into halves or guarters
- 2 TABLESPOONS extra-virgin olive oil
- 2 TABLESPOONS balsamic vinegar
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1/4 TEASPOON salt
- 1/4 TEASPOON black pepper
- 1/4 cup crumbled goat cheese (about 1 ounce)
- 1/4 cup thinly sliced fresh basil leaves

#### **Directions**

- 1 Prepare barbeque grill for direct cooking.
- 2 Place bell peppers, skin side down, on grill. Grill bell peppers on covered grill, over hot coals 10 to 12 minutes or until skin is charred. Place charred bell peppers in paper bag. Close bag; set aside to cool 10 to 15 minutes. Remove skin with paring knife; discard skin.
- 3 Place bell peppers in shallow glass serving dish. Combine oil, vinegar, garlic, salt and black pepper in small bowl; whisk until well combined. Pour over bell peppers. Let stand 30 minutes at room temperature (or cover and refrigerate up to 24 hours. Bring bell peppers to room temperature before serving).
- **4** Sprinkle bell peppers with cheese and basil just before serving.

CALORIES: 78
TOTAL FAT: 5G
SATURATED FAT: 1G
CHOLESTEROL: 2MG
SODIUM: 168MG

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### Greek Salad

Serves 2

#### **Ingredients**

4 cups - red and green leaf lettuce

1/2 cup - diced cucumber

1/2 cup - diced sweet pepper

1/2 cup - diced carrots

**4 TABLESPOONS** - crumbled feta cheese

2 slices - red onion

4 - pitted kalamata olives

4 - peperoncini peppers

**2 TABLESPOONS** - balsamic vinegar dressing

#### **Directions**

- 1 On separate plates, place two cups of the mixed lettuce.
- 2 Dice the cucumber, sweet pepper and carrots.
- **3** Toss each plate of greens with a 1/4 cup of the cucumber, sweet pepper, and carrots.
- **4** Top with 2 tablespoons of feta cheese.
- **5** Slice red onions in an eighth of an inch slices.
- **6** Separate the slice of red onion and place rings on the salad.
- **7** Garnish with 2 pitted kalamata olives and 2 peperoncini peppers.
- **8** Drizzle one tablespoons of balsamic vinegar dressing on the salad.

### Ingredients

Serves 4

1 cup - orzo pasta, cooked

Vegetable Pasta Salad

1 cup - asparagus, lightly steamed, cut the same size as the pasta, or peas

1/2 cup - red bell pepper or carrots, chopped

1/2 cup - green onions, sliced

1/2 cup - yellow summer squash, chopped

1 cup - fresh spinach, chopped

1 cup - small cherry tomatoes

**1/4 cup** - low-fat vinaigrette dressing

2 TABLESPOONS - grated Parmesan cheese

1/4 TEASPOON - salt

#### **Directions**

- 1 Combine the pasta, asparagus, peppers, onions, squash, spinach, tomatoes, dressing, and Parmesan cheese in a large bowl.
- 2 Toss to coat with the dressing.
- **3** Serve with grilled chicken or fish at a barbecue or picnic.

CALORIES: 170
FAT: 9G

CHOLESTEROL: 20MG SODIUM: 540MG FIBER: 5G

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TOTAL FAT: 2G
SATURATED FAT: 1G
CARBOHYDRATES: 20G
SODIUM: 344MG

### Grilled Vegetable Pizzas

Makes 16 slices

#### **Ingredients**

- 2 TABLESPOONS Olive oil
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 1 red bell pepper, cut into quarters
- 4 slices red onion, cut 1/4 inch thick
- 1 medium zucchini, halved lengthwise
- 1 medium yellow squash, halved lengthwise
- 1 cup purchased pizza sauce
- 1/4 TEASPOON crushed red pepper
- 2 (10 INCH) prepared pizza crusts
- **2 cups (8 ounces)** shredded low fat mozzarella cheese
- 1/4 cup sliced fresh basil leaves

#### **Directions**

- 1 Prepare grill for direct cooking.
  Combine 2 tablespoons oil and garlic in small bowl; brush over bell pepper, onion, zucchini, and squash. Place vegetables on grill. Grill, on covered grill, over medium heat 10 minutes or until crisp-tender, turning halfway through grilling time. Remove vegetables from grill.
- 2 Slice bell pepper lengthwise into 1/4 inch strips. Cut zucchini and squash crosswise into 1/4 inch slices. Separate onion slices into rings.
- 3 Combine pizza sauce and red pepper flakes in small bowl. Top crusts with pizza sauce mixture, cheese, and grilled vegetables.
- 4 Place pizzas, one at a time, on grill. Grill, covered, over medium to low heat 5 to 6 minutes, or until cheese is melted and crust is hot.
- **5** Sprinkle pizzas with basil; cut into wedges. Serve warm or at room temperature.

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### Meatball Soup

Serves 4 — Serving size is 1 1/2 cup each

### **Ingredients**

6 cups - water

**1/3 cup** - rice

3 cubes - low-sodium beef or chicken flavored boullion cubes (OR 1 TABLESPOON LOW-SODIUM BOUILLON POWDER)

4 SPRIGS - fresh oregano, finely chopped (or 1 TABLESPOON DRIED OREGANO)

**8 ounces** - lean ground beef, turkey, or chicken (90% lean, 10% fat)

1 - tomato, finely chopped

1/2 - onion, finely chopped

1 - large egg

1/2 TEASPOON - salt

2 cups - fresh vegetables (carrots, celery, and broccoli)

#### **Directions**

- 1 In a large pot, combine water, rice, bouillon cubes, and oregano. Bring to a boil over high heat. Stir to dissolve bouillon. Reduce heat to low and simmer.
- 2 Meanwhile, in a large bowl, mix ground meat, tomato, onion, egg, and salt. Form into 24 large meatballs.
- **3** Add meatballs to broth mixture and simmer 20 minutes.
- 4 Add vegetables. Cook 10 to 15 minutes or until meatballs are cooked and rice and vegetables are tender. Serve.

TOTAL FAT: 6G
SATURATED FAT: 2G
CHOLESTEROL: 86MG
SODIUM: 368MG

CARBOHYDRATE: 22MG

CALORIES: 212

PROTEIN: 17MG

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CALORIES: 203
TOTAL FAT: 6G

SATURATED FAT: LESS THAN 1G

CHOLESTEROL: 6MG SODIUM: 430MG



### Zesty Tomato Soup

Serves 2

### Ingredients

- 2 (10.5 OUNCE) CANS condensed tomato soup (low-sodium, low-fat)
- 2 chopped tomatoes
- 2 TABLESPOONS chopped basil or cilantro (fresh)
- **2 TABLESPOONS** Parmesan cheese (fresh)
- 1/4 cup croutons

### **Directions**

- 1 Prepare soup according to directions on can
- **2** Warm over medium-low heat on the stove.
- **3** While soup is warming, chop tomatoes and herbs.
- 4 Add tomatoes and herbs to the soup.
- 5 Cook an additional 5 minutes.
- 6 Evenly divide into bowls.
- 7 Top each bowl with 1 tablespoon Parmesan cheese and 1 1/2 tablespoons of croutons.

CALORIES: 350 FAT: 8G

CHOLESTEROL: 5MG
SODIUM: 1500MG
FIBER: 5G

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### Gazpacho

Serves 4 — Serving size is 1 1/4 cup

#### Ingredients

**3** - medium tomatoes, peeled and chopped

1/2 cup - cucumber, seeded and chopped

1/2 cup - green pepper, chopped

2 - green onion, sliced

**2 cups** - low-sodium vegetable juice cocktail

1 TABLESPOON - lemon juice

1/2 TEASPOON - basil, dried

1/4 TEASPOON - hot pepper sauce

1 - clove garlic, minced

#### **Directions**

- 1 In a large mixing bowl, combine all ingredients.
- **2** Cover and chill in refrigerator for several hours. Serve cold.

TOTAL FAT: LESS THAN 1G
SATURATED FAT: LESS THAN 1G
CHOLESTEROL: 0MG

CALORIES: 52

CHOLESTEROL: 0MG SODIUM: 41MG Delicious Heart-Healthy Latino Recipes NIH and NHLBI www.nhlbi.nih.gov/health/public/heart/

### Minestrone

Serves 16 — Serving size is 1 cup

### **Ingredients**

1/4 cup - olive oil

1 cLove - garlic, minced or 1/8 teaspoon garlic powder

1 1/3 cups - onion, coarsely chopped

1 1/2 cups - celery and leaves, coarsely chopped

**1 TABLESPOON** - fresh parsley, chopped

1 cup - carrots, fresh or frozen, chopped

4 3/4 cups - cabbage, shredded

1 - 1 pound can of tomatoes, cut up

1 cup - canned red kidney beans, drained and rinsed

1 1/2 cups - frozen peas

1 1/2 cups - green beans

1 - 6 ounce can of tomato paste

11 cups - water

**2 cups** - uncooked, broken spaghetti

DASH - hot sauce

### **Directions**

- 1 Heat oil in a 4 quart saucepan.
- 2 Add garlic, onion, and celery, and sauté about 5 minutes.
- **3** Add all remaining ingredients except spaghetti, and stir until well mixed.
- **4** Bring to a boil. Reduce heat, cover, and simmer about 45 minutes or until vegetables are tender.
- Add uncooked spaghetti and simmer2 to 3 minutes only.

CALORIES: 153
TOTAL FAT: 4G
SODIUM: 191MG
CHOLESTEROL: 0MG

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### Beef-Barley-Vegetable Soup

Serves 1.

#### **Ingredients**

Vegetable oil spray

**3 POUNDS** - center-cut beef shank, all visible fat removed

2 QUARTS - water

1 - medium onion, peeled and quartered

1 - bay leaf

1 TEASPOON - salt

Freshly ground pepper to taste

3 cups - peeled and diced potatoes

1 cup - thickly sliced celery

1 1/4 cups - peeled and thickly sliced carrots

**3 TABLESPOONS** - uncooked peeled barley

2 TABLESPOONS - thyme

1 TEASPOON - salt

Freshly ground black pepper to taste

CALORIES: 136
PROTEIN: 15G
CARBOHYDRATES: 12G
TOTAL FAT: 3G
SATURATED FAT: 1G
CHOLESTEROL: 37MG

**SODIUM: 398MG** 

#### **Directions**

- 1 Preheat broiler. Lightly spray a broiler pan with vegetable oil spray.
- Place beef on prepared pan and place pan in broiler. Broil meat 5 minutes on each side, or until thoroughly browned.
- 3 In large stockpot, combine meat, water, onion, bay leaf, salt, and pepper. Bring to boil. Reduce heat to simmer and cook 3 hours, or until meat is tender. Remove meat from pot and set aside. Strain broth and skim off fat. Cut meat into pieces.
- 4 Place strained broth, meat and remaining ingredients in stockpot and bring to boil. Reduce heat and simmer 20 to 25 minutes, or until vegetables are tender. Serve hot.

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### Sweet Potato and Pear Soup

Serves 6

### **Ingredients**

2 TEASPOONS - vegetable oil

1 - large onion, chopped (about 1 cup)

1 - medium rib celery, sliced (about 1/2 cup)

**3** - medium sweet potatoes, peeled and cubed (about 3 cups)

2 - ripe, medium pears, peeled and cubed (about 2 cups), plus 1 small ripe pear for garnish

4 cups - low-sodium chicken broth

1/2 cup - dry vermouth

1 - cinnamon stick

1 TEASPOON - finely grated orange zest

1/2 TEASPOON - dried thyme

1/4 TEASPOON - ground nutmeg

1/4 TEASPOON - salt

1/4 TEASPOON - freshly ground black pepper

**1 container (8 ounces)** - low-fat plain yogurt (optional)

Finely chopped fresh parsley, for garnish

CALORIES: 189
TOTAL FAT: 4G
CHOLESTEROL: 3MG
SODIUM: 192MG

#### **Directions**

- In a large saucepan, heat the oil over medium heat. Add the onion and celery and cook for about 10 minutes, or until soft but not browned.
- 2 Add the sweet potatoes, pears, chicken broth, vermouth, cinnamon stick, orange zest, and thyme.
- 3 Bring to a boil, reduce the heat and simmer, covered, for 35 to 45 minutes, or until the sweet potatoes are tender. Remove the cinnamon stick.
- 4 In a food processor or blender, puree the vegetable mixture, in batches, until smooth.
- 5 Return the puree to the saucepan and stir in the nutmeg, salt, and pepper. Cook over medium heat until heated through.
- 6 To serve, halve, core, and cut the pear into 6 wedges and cut each wedge to form a fan.
- 7 Ladle the soup into bowls and top with a dollop of yogurt, if desired.

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### Mexican Tortilla Soup

Serves 8

### **Ingredients**

Nonstick cooking spray

**2 POUNDS** - boneless, skinless chicken breasts, cut into 1/2 inch strips

4 cups - diced carrots

2 cups - sliced celery

1 cup - chopped green bell pepper

1 cup - chopped onion

4 - cloves garlic, minced

1 - jalapeño pepper, seeded and sliced

1 TEASPOON - dried oregano leaves

1/2 TEASPOON - ground cumin

**8 Cups** - fat-free reduced-sodium chicken broth

1 - large tomato, seeded and chopped

4-5 TABLESPOONS - lime juice

2 (6 INCH) - corn tortillas cut into 1/4 inch strips salt (optional)

**3** TABLESPOONS - finely chopped fresh cilantro

CALORIES: 184
TOTAL FAT: 3G
SATURATED FAT: 1G
CHOLESTEROL: 58MG
SODIUM: 132MG

#### **Directions**

- 1 Preheat oven to 350° F. Spray large nonstick Dutch oven with cooking spray; heat over medium heat. Add chicken; cook and stir about 10 minutes or until browned and no longer pink in the center. Add carrots, celery, bell pepper, onion, garlic, jalapeño pepper, oregano, and cumin; cook and stir over medium heat 5 minutes.
- 2 Stir in chicken broth, tomato, and lime juice, heat to boil. Reduce heat to low; cover and simmer 15 to 20 minutes.
- 3 Spray tortilla strips lightly with cooking spray; Place on baking sheet. Bake about 10 minutes or until browned and crisp, stirring occasionally.
- 4 Stir cilantro into soup. Ladle soup into bowls; top with tortilla strips.

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### Turkey Chili

Serves 4 — Serving size is 1 1/2 cup each

### **Ingredients**

1 POUND - ground turkey

3/4 cup - onion, minced

2 TABLESPOONS - margarine

3 cups - water

1/2 TEASPOON - garlic powder

1 TABLESPOON - chili powder

1 TABLESPOON - dry parsley flakes

1 TEASPOON - paprika

2 TEASPOONS - dry mustard

1 - 15 1/2 ounce canned red kidney beans, drained

1 - 6 ounce can of tomato paste

1/2 cup - pearl barley

3/4 cup - cheddar cheese, shredded

#### **Directions**

- 1 In large sauce pan, cook turkey and onions in margarine until turkey is browned and no longer pink in color, about 9 minutes. Drain; return turkey and onions to pan.
- 2 Add remaining ingredients except the cheese to turkey mixture; bring to boil, stirring frequently. Cover, reduce heat, and simmer 30 minutes, stirring occasionally.
- **3** Uncover and simmer 30 minutes, stirring occasionally.
- **4** Sprinkle 3 tablespoons of cheese over each serving of chili.
- 5 Serve over cooked macaroni.

CALORIES: 540
TOTAL FAT: 26G
SATURATED FAT: 9G
CHOLESTEROL: 104MG
SODIUM: 579MG

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Dinner

### Spicy Southern Barbecue Chicken

Serves 6 — Serving size is 1/2 breast or 2 small drumsticks

### Ingredients

**5 TABLESPOONS** - tomato paste (3 ounces)

1 TEASPOON - ketchup

2 TEASPOONS - honey

1 TEASPOON - molasses

1 TEASPOON - Worcestershire sauce

4 TEASPOONS - white vinegar

3/4 TEASPOON - cayenne pepper

1/8 TEASPOON - black pepper

1/4 TEASPOON - onion powder

2 cLOVES - garlic, minced

1/8 TEASPOON - ginger, grated

1 1/2 POUNDS - chicken, skinless (breasts, drumsticks)

#### **Directions**

- 1 Combine all ingredients, except chicken, in a sauce pan.
- 2 Simmer for 15 minutes.
- 3 Wash chicken and pat dry.
- 4 Place chicken on a large platter.
- **5** Brush chicken with 1/2 of sauce mixture.
- **6** Cover with plastic wrap and marinate in refrigerator for 1 hour.
- 7 Place chicken on a baking sheet lined with aluminum foil and broil for 10 minutes on each side to seal in juices.
- **8** Turn oven down to 350° F, and add the remaining sauce to the chicken.
- 9 Cover the chicken with aluminum foil and continue baking for 30 minutes.

CALORIES: 176
TOTAL FAT: 4G
SATURATED FAT:

SATURATED FAT: LESS THAN 1G

CHOLESTEROL: 81MG SODIUM: 199MG Heart-Healthy Home Cooking African American Style NIH and NHLBI www.nhlbi.nih.gov/health/public/heart



### Crispy Oven-Fried Chicken

Serves 6 — Serving size is 1/2 breast or 2 small drumsticks

#### **Ingredients**

1/2 cup - skim milk or buttermilk

1 TEASPOON - poultry seasoning

1 cup - cornflakes, crumbled

1 1/2 TABLESPOONS - onion powder

1 1/2 TABLESPOONS - garlic powder

2 TEASPOONS - black pepper

**2 TEASPOONS** - dried hot pepper, crushed

1 TEASPOON - ginger, ground

**8 PIECES** - chicken, skinless (4 breasts, 4 drumsticks)

A few shakes of paprika

Vegetable oil spray

#### **Directions**

- 1 Add 1/2 teaspoon of poultry seasoning to milk.
- 2 Combine all other spices with cornflakes crumbs and place in a plastic bag.
- 3 Wash chicken and pat dry. Dip chicken into milk, shake to remove excess, quickly shake in bag with seasoning and crumbs.
- 4 Refrigerate for 1 hour.
- 5 Preheat oven to 350° F.
- 6 Remove from refrigerator and sprinkle lightly with paprika for color.
- **7** Evenly space chicken on greased baking pan.
- 8 Cover with aluminum foil and bake 40 minutes. Remove foil and continue baking for an additional 30 to 40 minutes or until the meat can be easily pulled away from the bone with a fork. The drumsticks may require less baking time than the breasts. Crumbs will form a crispy "skin."

(Do not turn chicken during baking.)

CALORIES: 256
TOTAL FAT: 5G
SATURATED FAT: 1G
CHOLESTEROL: 82MG
SODIUM: 286MG

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### Pancit Bihon (Filipino Noodles with Vegetables)

Serves 9

### **Ingredients**

- 1 TEASPOON cooking spray or olive oil
- 3 cLOVES garlic, minced
- 1 small onion
- 1 1/4 POUNDS cooked boneless, skinless chicken breast, diced into 1/2-inch or 1-inch cubes (about 3 cups)
- 1/4 TEASPOON pepper
- **1 8-ounce** package noodles (pancit bihon noodles\* or angel hair pasta)
- 1 1/2 cups green cabbage, sliced into strips
- 1/2 cup scallions, diced (about 3 onions), divided
- **3** TEASPOONS low sodium soy sauce
- 1 cup chicken broth
- 1 medium lemon, thinly sliced
- 1 TEASPOON fresh lemon juice
- 1 cup carrots, diced

CALORIES: 173
TOTAL FAT: 6G
CHOLESTEROL: 32MG
SODIUM: 51MG
FIBER: 6G

#### **Directions**

- 1 Spray a wok or large saucepan with cooking spray, or use olive oil.
- 2 Over medium heat, sauté garlic and onion, cooking until golden brown.
- **3** Add cooked chicken until its browned and warmed throughout, 2 to 3 minutes.
- 4 Add pepper. While chicken is heating, soften noodles by putting them in a colander and running water over them until they're soft (do not soak).
- 5 Cut the noodles with kitchen scissors into 2-inch segments. Let noodles stand until they further soften. (Or, if using angel hair pasta, cook it according to directions and set it aside).
- 6 Add carrots to pan with chicken, and cook for 2 minutes.
- **7** Stir in cabbage, celery, and 1/4 cup scallions, and cook for 2 minutes.
- **8** Add noodles gradually, stirring to blend with vegetables and meat.
- 9 Add chicken broth and soy sauce to moisten. Cook until noodles are soft, about 5 minutes (omit this step if using angel hair pasta).
- 10 Garnish with lemon slices and remaining scallions. Squeeze fresh lemon juice over the dish just before serving.

\*Pancit bihon noodles can be found in Asian grocery stores and in some supermarkets.

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### Mediterranean Chicken Kabobs

Serves 8

#### **Ingredients**

- **2 POUNDS** boneless, skinless chicken breasts or chicken tenders, cut into 1 inch pieces
- 1 small eggplant, peeled and cut into 1 inch pieces
- 1 medium zucchini, cut crosswise into 1/2 inch slices
- 2 medium onions, each cut into8 wedges
- **16** medium mushrooms, stems removed
- 16 cherry tomatoes
- 1 cup fat-free reduced sodium chicken broth
- 2/3 cup balsamic vinegar
- **3** TABLESPOONS olive oil or vegetable oil
- 2 TABLESPOONS dried mint leaves
- 4 TEASPOONS dried basil leaves
- 1 TABLESPOON dried oregano leaves
- **2 TEASPOONS** grated lemon peel chopped fresh parsley
- 4 cups hot cooked couscous

CALORIES: 300
TOTAL FAT: 5G
SATURATED FAT: 1G
CHOLESTEROL: 69MG
SODIUM: 79MG

#### **Directions**

- 1 Alternately thread chicken, eggplant, zucchini, onions, mushrooms, and tomatoes onto 16 metal skewers; place in large glass baking dish.
- 2 Combine chicken broth, vinegar, oil, mint, basil, and oregano in small bowl; pour over kabobs. Cover marinade in refrigerator 2 hours, turning kabobs occasionally. Remove kabobs from marinade; discard marinade.
- 3 Broil kabobs, 6 inches from heat source, 10 to 15 minutes or until chicken is no longer pink in center, turning kabobs halfway through cooking time. Or, grill over medium hot coals, 10 to 15 minutes or until chicken is no longer pink in center, turning kabobs halfway through cooking time. Stir lemon peel and parsley into couscous.

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### Chicken Oriental

Serves 6

### **Ingredients**

- 1 TABLESPOON vegetable oil
- **1 POUND** boneless, skinless chicken breast halves, cut into 1 inch chunks
- **8 OUNCES** asparagus, trimmed and cut into 2 inch matchstick strips
- 1 medium red or green bell pepper, cut into thin strips
- 1 medium onion, sliced
- 2 TABLESPOONS sugar
- 1/4 TEASPOON freshly ground black pepper
- **2** TABLESPOONS light soy sauce hot cooked rice, for serving

#### **Directions**

- 1 In a large skillet or wok, heat the oil over high heat until hot. Add the chicken and stir-fry for about 4 minutes or until no longer pink.
- 2 Transfer to a plate and add the asparagus, bell pepper, onion, sugar, and black pepper to the skillet.
- **3** Stir-fry for about 3 minutes or until the vegetables are crisp tender.
- 4 Return the chicken to the skillet and sprinkle with the soy sauce, cover and cook for about 1 minute or until mixture begins to steam.
- 5 Serve over rice.

CALORIES: 156
TOTAL FAT: 3.4G
CHOLESTEROL: 44MG
SODIUM: 254MG

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### Asian Salad

Serves 4

#### **Ingredients**

- **2 1/2 cups** cooked chicken, cut into bite size pieces
- 1 (10 ounce) bag shredded cabbage
- 1 cup mushrooms, sliced
- 2 carrots, shredded
- 2 TABLESPOONS chopped cilantro
- 1 cucumber, thinly sliced
- 3 green onions, thinly sliced
- 1 tangerine, divided into sections
- 1/2 cup non-fat Asian or Oriental style salad dressing

Black pepper

CALORIES: 220
TOTAL FAT: 7G
SATURATED FAT: 2G
CHOLESTEROL: 70MG
SODIUM: 367MG

#### **Directions**

- 1 In a large bowl, combine chicken, cabbage, mushrooms, carrot, cilantro, cucumber, and dressing.
- 2 Toss well.
- **3** Top with green onions and tangerine sections.

## Chicken and Vegetable Pasta with Orange-Basil Sauce Serves 4

### **Ingredients**

**3/4 cup** - frozen orange juice concentrate thawed

1/2 cup - chicken broth

4 TEASPOONS - cornstarch

**6 ounces** - packaged dried corkscrew pasta

**2 cups** - cubed, cooked chicken or turkey

1 (16 ounce) - package loose pack frozen Italian blend (zucchini, carrots, cauliflower, lima beans, and Italian beans) or other mixed vegetables

1/4 cup - snipped fresh basil

#### **Directions**

- 1 Purchase a deli roasted chicken or a cooked turkey breast.
- 2 For sauce, in a small saucepan combine thawed concentrate, chicken broth, and cornstarch.
- 3 Cook and stir until thickened and bubbly, cook and stir 2 minutes more.
- 4 In a large saucepan, cook pasta in boiling lightly salted water for 5 minutes.
- **5** Add frozen vegetables, return to boiling.
- 6 Cook uncovered, 5 minutes more or until pasta and vegetables are tender.
- 7 Drain and return to saucepan.
- **8** Add sauce, chicken, basil, and 1/8 teaspoon pepper.
- 9 Heat and toss until hot.

CALORIES: 438
TOTAL FAT: 7G
SATURATED FAT: 2G
CHOLESTEROL: 68MG
SODIUM: 190MG

### Jamaican Jerk Chicken

Serves 6 — Serving size is 1/2 breast or 2 small drumsticks

### **Ingredients**

1/2 TEASPOON - cinnamon, ground

1 1/2 TEASPOONS - allspice, ground

1 1/2 TEASPOONS - black pepper, around

**1** TABLESPOON - hot pepper, chopped

2 TABLESPOONS - oregano, crushed

2 TABLESPOONS - thyme, crushed

1/2 TEASPOON - salt

6 cLOVES - garlic, finely chopped

1 cup - onion, puréed or finely chopped

1/4 cup - vinegar

CALORIES: 199

3 TABLESPOONS - brown sugar

**8 PIECES** - chicken, skinless (4 breasts, 4 drumsticks)

#### **Directions**

- 1 Combine all ingredients except chicken in large bowl. Rub seasoning over chicken.
- Marinate in the refrigerator for 6 more hours.
- 3 Preheat oven to 350° F.
- **4** Evenly space chicken on nonstick or lightly greased baking pan.
- 5 Cover with aluminum foil and bake 40 minutes. Remove foil and continue baking for an additional 30 to 40 minutes or until the meat can be easily pulled away from the bone with a fork. The drumsticks may require less cooking time than the breasts.

TOTAL FAT: 4G
SATURATED FAT: 1G
CHOLESTEROL: 81MG
SODIUM: 267MG

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### Spanish Style Rice with Chicken

Serves 8

### **Ingredients**

- 2 TABLESPOONS Olive oil
- 2 medium onions, chopped
- 4 cLOVES garlic, minced
- 2 stalks celery, diced
- 2 medium red/green peppers, cut into strips
- 1 cup mushrooms, chopped
- 2 cups uncooked rice
- 1 (3 POUND CHICKEN) cut into 8 pieces, skin removed
- 1 TEASPOON salt (optional)
- **3 1/2 cups** chicken broth, fat removed
- **4 cups** water Saffron (Sazon) for color
- 3 medium tomatoes, chopped
- 1 cup frozen peas
- 1 cup frozen corn

CALORIES: 330

TOTAL FAT: 14G

PROTEIN: 27MG

CARBOHYDRATE: 24G

Olives or capers for garnish, if desired

#### **Directions**

- 1 Heat the oil over medium heat in a nonstick pot. Add the onion, garlic, celery, green pepper, and mushrooms. Cook over medium heat, stirring often, for about 3 minutes or until tender.
- 2 Add the rice and sauté for 2 to 3 minutes, stirring constantly until it begins to brown.
- 3 Add the chicken, salt, chicken broth, water, saffron (Sazón), and tomatoes. Bring the water to a boil, then reduce heat to medium to low and let simmer.
- 4 Cover the pot and let the casserole simmer until the water is absorbed and rice is tender, about 20 minutes.
- 5 Stir in peas, corn, and beans and cook for 8 to 10 minutes. When everything is hot, the casserole is ready to serve. Garnish with olives or capers, if desired.

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### Quick Beef Casserole

Serves 8 — Serving size is 1 1/3 cups

### Ingredients

1/2 POUND - lean ground beef

1 cup - onion, chopped

1 cup - celery, chopped

1 cup - green pepper, cubed

3 1/2 cups - tomatoes, diced

1/4 TEASPOON - salt

1/2 TEASPOON - black pepper

1/4 TEASPOON - paprika

1 cup - frozen peas

2 - small carrots, diced

1 cup - uncooked rice

1 1/2 cups - water

#### **Directions**

- 1 In a skillet, brown the ground beef and drain off the fat.
- 2 Add the rest of the ingredients. Mix well. Cook over medium heat and cover skillet until boiling. Reduce to low heat and simmer for 35 minutes. Serve hot.

CALORIES: 184
TOTAL FAT: 3G
SATURATED FAT: 1G
CHOLESTEROL: 15MG
SODIUM: 125MG

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### Mexican Steak and Fruit Skewers

Serves 4

### **Ingredients**

4 TEASPOONS - chili powder

1 TABLESPOON - ground cumin

3/4 TEASPOON - dried oregano

1/2 TEASPOON - freshly ground black pepper

**1 POUND** - boneless beef top sirloin, trimmed and cut into 1/2 inch chunks

**1 PACKAGE (6 OUNCES)** - Turkish apricots, nectarines, peaches, or apples

8 ounces - pineapple-orange juice

**2** TABLESPOONS - fresh lime or lemon juice

**1 MEDIUM** - red bell pepper, cut into 1 inch pieces

1 - small red onion, cut into1 inch pieces

CALORIES: 361

TOTAL FAT: 9.1G

**S**ODIUM: **119**MG

CHOLESTEROL: 100MG

Warm tortillas or rice and beans

#### **Directions**

- 1 Preheat the grill to medium, or preheat the broiler.
- 2 In a large bowl, combine the chili powder, cumin, oregano, and pepper. Add the beef and toss until evenly coated. Set aside.
- **3** In a small saucepan, combine the dried fruit, pineapple-orange juice, and lime juice. Bring to a boil, then reduce the heat and simmer, stirring occasionally.
- 4 Drain the fruit, discarding the liquid.
- 5 Thread the beef, dried fruit, bell pepper, and onion alternately on skewers. Grill slowly over indirect heat or broil 5 to 6 inches from heat source, turning frequently to prevent the fruit from burning, for 8 to 10 minutes.
- **6** Serve with warm tortillas or rice and beans.

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### Althea's Beef Gumbo

Serves 7

### **Ingredients**

**1 POUND** - 90 percent lean ground beef

2 - large onions, chopped

**16 ounces** - frozen white corn kernels, thawed

**15 OUNCE** - can stewed tomatoes, with juice

**10 ounce** - package frozen sliced okra, thawed

2 TABLESPOONS - chili powder

2 1/3 cup - cooked rice

#### **Directions**

- 1 Brown the ground beef and onion in a large soup pot or Dutch oven, stirring until the beef crumbles. Drain the beef, discarding the fat.
- 2 Stir in the remaining ingredients except for the rice and bring the mixture to a boil over medium heat, stirring occasionally.
- 3 Cover and reduce the heat; simmer 20 minutes. Stir occasionally. Serve over 1/3 cup of rice.

TOTAL FAT: 10g
SATURATED FAT: 3G
CHOLESTEROL: 41MG
SODIUM: 200MG
FIBER: 9G
PROTEIN: 22G

CALORIES: 390

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### Beef Stroganoff

Serves 2

### **Ingredients**

**1/4 POUND** - boneless beef round steak (cut 3/4 inch thick with all fat removed)

2 TABLESPOONS - chopped onion

1/4 can - cream of mushroom soup

2 TEASPOON - flour

1/4 TEASPOON - paprika

1/4 cup - sour cream (fat-free)

2 cup - cooked yolkless egg noodles

#### **Directions**

- 1 Slice beef across the grain into very thin strips.
- **2** Coat a nonstick skillet with nonstick spray.
- **3** Brown the beef and onions over high heat. You may have to add a little water to the pan to begin cooking.
- **4** Add noodles to boiling water. Cook until *al dente* (firm, not soft).
- **5** Set beef and onion mixture aside.
- 6 In a saucepan, mix the soup, water and flour until thickened.
- **7** Return the meat mixture to the skillet.
- **8** Add the mushroom soup mixture and paprika.
- 9 Heat through.
- 10 Stir in the fat-free sour cream.
- **11** Serve immediately over cooked noodles *do not continue to cook.*

CALORIES: 380
FAT: 9G

CHOLESTEROL: 100MG SODIUM: 230MG FIBER: 3G

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### Sloppy Joes

Serves 2

### **Ingredients**

3/4 POUND - ground beef

- 1 medium onion
- 1 medium green pepper
- 1 (10.5 ounce) can tomato soup, low sodium
- 2 whole-wheat hamburger buns

#### **Directions**

- 1 Chop green pepper and onion.
- 2 In a skillet coated with non-stick spray, brown meat with the onions and green peppers.
- **3** Once browned, drain any excess fat off.
- 4 Pour tomato soup in and mix well.
- 5 Simmer for at least 10 minutes.
- 6 Place 2/3 cup of the mixture on a hamburger bun.
- 7 Any extra mixture can be frozen.

CALORIES: 495
FAT: 10G
CHOLESTEROL: 85MG

CHOLESTEROL: 85M SODIUM: 395MG FIBER: 7G

### Beef Goulash

Serves 6

#### **Ingredients**

1 cup - uncooked macaroni

1 POUND - lean ground beef

1/2 POUND - fresh mushrooms. sliced

1 cup - chopped onion

1 CLOVE - garlic, minced

1 (6-ounce) can - no-salt-added tomato paste

3/4 cup - water

1 cup - low-sodium ketchup

1 - small bay leaf

1 TEASPOON - Sugar

1/2 TEASPOON - freshly ground black pepper

1/4 TEASPOON - oregano

1/4 TEASPOON - basil

CALORIES: 330 PROTEIN: 23G CARBOHYDRATES: 39G

TOTAL FAT: 9G

**S**ODIUM: **58**MG

SATURATED FAT: 3G

CHOLESTEROL: 54MG

### **Directions**

- 1 Cook macaroni according to package directions, omitting salt. Drain and set aside.
- 2 Brown ground beef with mushrooms, onion, and garlic. Pour off fat.
- 3 Add remaining ingredients. Simmer gently about 15 minutes.
- 4 Add cooked, drained macaroni. Simmer 5 minutes.
- 5 Remove bay leaf and serve.

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### Beef Soft Tacos

Serves 2

#### **Ingredients**

1/2 POUND - ground beef

1/2 cup - chopped onion

1 TABLESPOON - chili powder

1/2 TEASPOON - Cumin

1/4 TEASPOON - oregano

4 - flour tortillas (fat-free)

1/4 cup - cheddar cheese. finely shredded

Lettuce (as desired)

Tomatoes (as desired)

Salsa (as desired)

CALORIES: 375

CHOLESTEROL: 85MG

**S**ODIUM: **505**MG

**F**AT: **10**G

FIBER: 10G

Jalapenos (as desired)

#### **Directions**

- 1 Chop onion.
- 2 Spray frying pan with non-stick spray.
- 3 Sauté chopped onion for a couple minutes over medium heat.
- 4 Add meat and spices (chili powder, cumin, and oregano).
- **5** Taste meat and adjust seasonings as needed.
- 6 While meat is cooking, chop lettuce, tomato, and jalapenos.
- 7 Warm tortillas in microwave about 10 seconds.
- 8 Place 1/4 cup of beef mixture in tortilla.
- **9** Top with 2 tablespoons of cheddar
- 10 Add lettuce, tomato, jalapenos, and salsa as desired.

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### Stir-Fried Beef

Serves 6 — Serving size is 1 1/4 cup

#### **Ingredients**

- 1 1/2 POUNDS sirloin steak
- 2 TEASPOONS vegetable oil
- 1 CLOVE garlic, minced
- 1 TEASPOON vinegar
- 1/8 TEASPOON salt
- 1/8 TEASPOON pepper
- 2 large onions, sliced
- 1 large tomato, sliced
- 3 cups boiled potatoes, diced

#### **Directions**

- 1 Trim fat from steak and cut into small, thin pieces.
- 2 In a large skillet, heat oil and sauté garlic until garlic is golden. Add steak, vinegar, salt, and pepper.
- **3** Cook for 6 minutes, stirring beef until brown.
- **4** Add onion and tomato. Cook until onion is transparent. Serve with boiled potatoes.

### Granny Smith Pork

Serves 6

### Ingredients

- 1 TEASPOONS canola oil
- 1 1/2 POUNDS boneless pork, cut into 1/2 inch cubes
- **4** medium Granny Smith apples, cored and sliced into 1/2 inch wedges
- 1 cup dry white wine
- 1 TABLESPOON brown sugar
- 1/4 cup cider vinegar
- **3** TABLESPOONS cornstarch or arrowroot powder
- **2** TABLESPOONS Worcestershire sauce
- 1 PINCH fresh ground pepper and salt to taste

#### **Directions**

- 1 Heat the oil in a skillet over medium to high heat. Add the pork and brown on all sides. Add the apple slices and sauté for 3 minutes. Add 1/2 cup of the wine, reduce the heat, cover, and simmer for 10 minutes.
- 2 Mix the other 1/2 cup of wine together with the remaining ingredients and add to the skillet. Cook over medium heat, stirring constantly, until sauce thickens.

CALORIES: 244
TOTAL FAT: 6g
SATURATED FAT: 2g
CHOLESTEROL: 56MG
SODIUM: 135MG
CARBOHYDRATES: 26G

FIBER: 3G
SUGAR: 18G
PROTEIN: 20G

CALORIES: 549
TOTAL FAT: 8G
SATURATED FAT: 2G
CHOLESTEROL: 56MG
SODIUM: 288MG

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### Baked Pork Chops

Serves 6 — Serving size is 1 chop

### Ingredients

- 6 lean center-cut pork chops, 1/2 inch thick
- 1 medium onion, thinly sliced
- 1/2 cup green pepper
- 1/2 cup red pepper
- 1/8 TEASPOON black pepper
- 1/4 TEASPOON salt

Fresh parsley

### **Directions**

- 1 Preheat oven to 375° F.
- 2 Trim fat from pork chops. Place chops in a 13x9-inch baking pan.
- 3 Spread onion and peppers on top of chops. Sprinkle with black pepper and salt. Refrigerate or 1 hour.
- 4 Cover pan and bake for 30 minutes. Uncover, turn chops, and continue baking for an additional 15 minutes or until no pink remains. Garnish with fresh parsley.

CALORIES: 170
TOTAL FAT: 8G
SATURATED FAT: 3G
CHOLESTEROL: 61MG
SODIUM: 135MG

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### Pork Tenderloin with Orange-Basil Sauce

Serves 4

#### **Ingredients**

1 TEASPOON - vegetable oil

1 POUND - pork tenderloin, trimmed and cut into 1/4 inch thick slices

**12 ounces** - pineapple-orange juice or pineapple juice

2 TEASPOONS - cornstarch

2 cLoves - garlic, finely chopped, or 1/2 teaspoon garlic powder

1 TEASPOON - finely grated orange zest

1 1/2 TEASPOONS - dried basil. crushed

2 - oranges, sliced

1 - scallion, sliced

#### **Directions**

- 1 In a large, nonstick skillet, heat the oil over medium-high heat until hot. Add the pork slices and cook, turning, for 3 to 5 minutes, or until the pork is no longer pink.
- 2 Transfer the pork to a plate and keep warm. Wipe the skillet dry with paper towels.
- 3 In the same skillet, whisk together the pineapple-orange juice, cornstarch, garlic, orange zest, and basil until blended.
- 4 Bring to a boil over medium to high heat; cook for 2 minutes, or until the sauce thickens slightly and boils.
- 5 Return the pork and any accumulated juices to the skillet; cook for 1 minute or until heated through.

### Asian Pork Tenderloin

Serves 2

### **Ingredients**

8 ounces - pork tenderloin

2 TABLESPOONS - sesame seeds. toasted

1 TEASPOON - ground coriander

1/8 TEASPOON - cayenne pepper

1/8 TEASPOON - celery seed

1/2 TEASPOON - minced dried onion

1/4 TEASPOON - ground cumin

1/8 TEASPOON - cinnamon

#### **Directions**

- 1 Preheat oven 400° F.
- 2 Toast sesame seeds.
- 3 Mix all spices together (use only half the spice mixture).
- 4 Slice the pork into approximately 3 to 4 ounce sections
- 5 Rub spice mixture on pork.
- 6 Spray oven safe pan with nonstick spray.
- 7 Place pork in oven.
- 8 Cook until done (approximately 15 minutes).

CALORIES: 232 TOTAL FAT: 5.2G CHOLESTEROL: 73.7MG **S**ODIUM: **64** MG

CALORIES: 165



### Mouth-Watering Oven-Fried Fish

Serves 6 — Serving size is 1 cut piece

### Ingredients

**2 POUNDS** - fish fillets (such as catfish or cod)

1 TABLESPOON - lemon juice, fresh

1/4 cup - skim milk or 1% buttermilk

2 DROPS - hot pepper sauce

1 TEASPOON - fresh garlic, minced

1/4 TEASPOON - white pepper, ground

1/4 TEASPOON - salt

1/4 TEASPOON - onion powder

1/2 cup - cornflakes, crumbled or regular bread crumbs

1 - fresh lemon, cut in wedges

Vegetable oil spray

### **Directions**

- 1 Preheat oven to 475° F.
- 2 Wipe fillets with lemon juice and pat dry.
- **3** Combine milk, hot pepper sauce, and garlic.
- 4 Combine pepper, salt, and onion powder with cornflake crumbs and place on a plate.
- 5 Let fillets sit in milk briefly. Remove and coat fillets on both sides with seasoned crumbs. Let stand briefly until coating sticks to each side of fish.
- **6** Arrange on lightly oiled shallow baking dish.
- **7** Bake 20 minutes on middle rack with turning.
- 8 Cut into 6 pieces. Serve with fresh lemon.

CALORIES: 183
TOTAL FAT: 2G

SATURATED FAT: LESS THAN 1G

CHOLESTEROL: 80MG SODIUM: 325MG Heart-Healthy Home Cooking African American Style NIH and NHLBI www.nhlbi.nih.gov/health/public/heart

### Fisherman's Salmon with rice and tomatoes

Serves 4

#### **Ingredients**

**12 ounces** - cooked fresh salmon or 2 cans (7 ounces each), drained

1 TABLESPOON - olive oil

1 TABLESPOON - white wine vinegar

**2 TEASPOONS** - Dijon mustard

**1 TABLESPOON** - finely chopped parsley

1 cup - cooked rice

1 cup - cooked whole corn kernels, chilled

4 - large tomatoes, halved and seeded

#### **Directions**

- 1 Put the salmon into a large bowl and flake it with a fork.
- **2** Whisk together the oil, vinegar, and mustard until well blended.
- **3** Add the rice, corn, and dressing to the salmon and toss until well-mixed.
- **4** Place the tomato halves on a platter and fill with the salmon mixture.

# CALORIES: 289 TOTAL FAT: 10G CHOLESTEROL: 62MG SODIUM: 108MG

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### Seafood Tacos with Fruit Salsa

Makes 12 Tacos (1 taco per serving)

### **Ingredients**

2 TABLESPOONS - lemon juice

1 TEASPOON - chili powder

1 TEASPOON - ground allspice

1 TEASPOON - olive oil

1 TEASPOON - minced garlic

1 TEASPOON - lemon zest

1/2 TEASPOON - ground cloves

1 POUND - halibut fillets

12 (6 INCH) - corn tortillas

3 cups - shredded lettuce

1 - small red onion, sliced

#### FRUIT SALSA

1 cup - diced papaya

1 - firm, small banana, sliced

2 - green onions, minced

3 TABLESPOONS- cilantro

3 TABLESPOONS - lime juice

1 - jalapeño pepper, minced

#### **Directions**

- 1 Combine lemon juice, chili powder, allspice, oil, garlic, zest and cloves in a bowl. Rub fish with mixture. Cover and refrigerate.
- 2 Prepare Fruit Salsa.
- 3 Preheat grill to medium to high heat; oil lightly. Grill fish, covered, 3 minutes or until fish is browned. Turn; grill 2 minutes or until fish flakes easily when tested with fork. Remove from heat; Flake into chunks.
- 4 Place tortillas on grill and heat 5 to 10 seconds; turn and cook 5 to 10 seconds or until hot. Keep warm.
- 5 Top each tortilla with 1/4 cup lettuce and onion. Add fish and 2 tablespoons Fruit Salsa.
- 6 Combine all ingredients in bowl.
- \* Jalapeño peppers can sting and irritate the skin. Wear rubber gloves when handling peppers and do not touch eyes. Wash hands after handling.

TOTAL FAT: 3G
SATURATED FAT: LESS THAN 1G

CHOLESTEROL: 12MG
SODIUM: 148MG

CALORIES: 147

### Catfish Stew and Rice

Serves 4

### **Ingredients**

2 - medium potatoes

1 (14 1/2 ounce) - can tomatoes. diced

1 (8 OUNCE BOTTLE) OR 1 CUP clam juice or water

1 cup - water

2 - cloves garlic, minced

1/2 - head cabbage, coarsely chopped

1 POUND - catfish fillets

1 1/2 TABLESPOONS - Hot 'N Spicy Seasoning (see below)

Sliced green onion for garnish

2 cups - hot cooked rice

HOT 'N SPICY SEASONING 1/4 cup - paprika

2 TABLESPOONS - dried oregano, crushed

2 TEASPOONS - chili powder

1 TEASPOON - garlic powder

1 TEASPOON - black pepper

1/2 TEASPOON - red (cayenne) pepper

1/2 TEASPOON - dry mustard

CALORIES: 355 TOTAL FAT: 5G SATURATED FAT: 1.3G CHOLESTEROL: 65MG **S**ODIUM: **454**MG

#### **Directions**

- 1 Peel potatoes and cut into quarters. In a large pot, combine potatoes, tomatoes (and their juice) onion, clam juice, water, and garlic. Bring to a boiling; reduce heat. Cook, covered, over medium to low heat for 10 minutes.
- 2 Add cabbage. Return to boiling. Reduce heat; cook, covered, over medium to low heat for 5 minutes, stirring occasionally.
- 3 Meanwhile, cut fillets into 2-inch lengths. Coat with Hot 'N Spicy Seasoning. Add fish to vegetables. Reduce heat; simmer, covered, for 5 minutes or until fish flakes easily with a fork.
- 4 Serve in soup plates, garnished with sliced green onion. Top with an ice cream scoop of hot cooked rice. Or, ladle stew over hot cooked rice in soup plates and garnish with green onion.

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### Orange Roughy

Serves 2

### **Ingredients**

8 ounces - orange roughy

1 - fresh lemon

1 TEASPOON - fresh thyme

### **Directions**

- 1 Turn oven on to broil.
- 2 Spray baking dish with nonstick
- 3 Wash fish and place in baking dish.
- 4 Quarter lemon and squeeze 2 quarters on the fish.
- **5** Chop fresh thyme and sprinkle it on the fish.
- 6 Place in oven and cook until done 8 to 10 minutes.

FAT: 1G

CALORIES: 75

CHOLESTEROL: 20MG SODIUM: 70MG FIBER: 0G

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# Broiled Grouper with Teriyaki Sauce

Serves 2

### **Ingredients**

8 ounces - grouper

**1 TABLESPOON** - Teriyaki sauce (low sodium)

1/4 TEASPOON - minced garlic

Italian seasoning (to taste)

Lemon juice (to taste)

#### **Directions**

- 1 Wash grouper
- 2 Measure teriyaki sauce and place in bowl.
- 3 Add garlic to sauce and mix well.
- 4 Brush sauce on grouper.
- **5** Allow to marinate for at least 15 minutes in refrigerator.
- 6 Turn oven on broil.
- 7 Spray pan with non-stick spray.
- 8 Cook grouper approximately 10 minutes (depending on the thickness of cut).
- **9** Remove from oven, squeeze lemon juice over it and sprinkle with Italian seasoning.

### Ingredients

Halibut

Serves 2

8 ounces - halibut

1 - tomato

1 1/2 TABLESPOONS - fresh chopped basil

**1 TEASPOON** - fresh chopped oregano

2 TEASPOONS - minced garlic

1 TEASPOON - olive oil

#### **Directions**

- 1 Preheat the oven to 350° F.
- 2 Dice tomato and put in a bowl.
- **3** Chop basil and oregano and toss with tomato.
- **4** Mince garlic or measure it out if using pre-minced and add to tomato mixture.
- **5** Add olive oil to tomato mixture and toss.
- 6 Wash fish.
- **7** Place in baking dish that has been sprayed with nonstick spray.
- 8 Spoon tomato mixture over fish.
- **9** Place in oven for 10 to 15 minutes or until it is done.

CALORIES: 125
FAT: 2G

CHOLESTEROL: 40MG SODIUM: 500MG FIBER: 0G

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CHOLESTEROL: 36MG SODIUM: 65MG FIBER: 1G

### Seasoned Baked Cod

Serves 2

### Ingredients

8 ounces - cod

1 TEASPOON - Old Bay Seasoning

1/2 - lemon

#### **Directions**

- 1 Preheat oven at 350° F
- 2 Wash and pat the cod dry.
- 3 Place cod in tin foil.
- 4 Squeeze a quarter of a lemon on each 4-ounce portion of fish.
- **5** Drizzle 1 teaspoon of seasoning on each 4 ounce portion of fish.
- **6** Wrap in the tin foil
- 7 Bake at 350° F until done (flaky), approximately 10 minutes.

**Baked Trout** 

Serves 6 — Serving size is 1 piece

### Ingredients

2 POUNDS - trout fillet, cut into 6 pieces (any kind of fish can be used)

3 TEASPOONS - lime juice (about 2 limes)

1 MEDIUM - tomato, chopped

1/2 MEDIUM - onion, chopped

3 TABLESPOONS - cilantro, chopped

1/2 TEASPOON - olive oil

1/4 TEASPOON - black pepper

1/4 TEASPOON - salt

1/4 TEASPOON - red pepper (optional)

### **Directions**

- 1 Preheat oven to 350° F.
- 2 Rinse fish and pat dry. Place in baking dish.
- 3 In a separate dish, mix remaining ingredients together and pour over fish.
- 4 Bake for 15 to 20 minutes or until fork-tender.

CALORIES: 100 FAT: 1G

CHOLESTEROL: 50MG **S**ODIUM: **330**MG FIBER: 0G

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CALORIES: 230 TOTAL FAT: 9G SATURATED FAT: 2G CHOLESTEROL: 58MG **S**ODIUM: **162**MG



# Eggplant Lasagna

Serves 4

### Ingredients

- 1 TABLESPOON olive oil
- 1 medium onion, sliced
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 1 large tomato, sliced very thin
- 1 cup canned crushed tomatoes
- 1 1/2 TEASPOONS dried basil
- 1 1/2 TEASPOONS dried oregano
- 1/4 TEASPOON salt (optional)
- 1 medium eggplant, sliced very thin
- **8 ounces** shredded part-skim mozzarella cheese

#### **Directions**

- 1 Preheat oven to 425° F
- 2 In a medium nonstick skillet, heat olive oil over medium heat. Sauté onion until tender, about 2 to 3 minutes. Transfer to an 8x8 or 9x13 baking dish.
- 3 Sauté the garlic for 1 minute. Add the crushed tomato, basil, oregano, and salt, and cook gently over medium low heat for 10 minutes.
- **4** Spread a layer of this mixture over the onion layer.
- **5** Add a layer of eggplant and follow with a layer of tomato.
- **6** Sprinkle 1/3 of the mozzarella cheese over top.
- 7 Repeat layers of eggplant, tomato, and cheese until you use all ingredients. Finish with a layer of mozzarella cheese.
- **8** Cover with aluminum foil and bake for 25 minutes, or until vegetables are tender.
- 9 Uncover and bake 10 to 15 minutes, or until layer of cheese is light brown.

CALORIES: 219
TOTAL FAT: 15G
CARBOHYDRATE: 5G
PROTEIN: 16G

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# Vegetarian Chili

Serves 6

### Ingredients

1 cup - dry kidney beans

6 cups - water

**3** TABLESPOONS - acceptable vegetable oil

2 cups - chopped onions

**2 cups** - chopped green bell peppers

2 cLOVES - garlic, minced

1 cup - canned low-sodium tomatoes, chopped

2 cups - water

1 cup - bulgar

1 1/2 TABLESPOONS - chili powder (or to taste)

1/4 TEASPOON - cayenne pepper

1/2 TEASPOON - freshly ground black pepper

2 TABLESPOONS - ground cumin

1 TABLESPOON - fresh lemon juice

#### **Directions**

- 1 Soak beans overnight in 3 cups of water.
- 2 Drain beans and place them in a large saucepan.
- 3 Add 3 cups of fresh water and cook uncovered, 1 1/2 hours, or until tender.
- 4 Drain, rinse, and set aside.
- 5 In a large saucepan or Dutch oven, place oil, onions, green peppers, and garlic and sauté 8 to 10 minutes, or until vegetables are soft.
- **6** Add tomatoes, 2 cups of water, and bulgur. Simmer 45 to 60 minutes.
- **7** Add cooked kidney beans and remaining ingredients and cook an additional 10 minutes.

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# Vegetable Quesadillas

Serves 4

### **Ingredients**

- 1 large carrot, grated
- 1 zucchini, grated
- 8 flour tortillas

**3/4 cup** - crumbled queso fresco or shredded Monterey Jack cheese

Bottled hot sauce to taste

#### **Directions**

- In a small bowl, mix carrot and zucchini.
- 2 Sprinkle 1/2 cup vegetable mixture over each of the four tortillas. Top each tortilla with 3 tablespoons cheese. Sprinkle with hot sauce, to taste. Cover with a second tortilla.
- 3 Heat a nonstick pan over medium heat until hot. Place each quesadilla in pan. Cook 1 minute. Turn over and cook 1 minute longer or until hot and cheese melts. Cut each quesadilla into four quarters. Serve.

CALORIES: 359
TOTAL FAT: 10G
SATURATED FAT: 3G
CHOLESTEROL: 14MG
SODIUM: 475MG

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# Vegetable Stir Fry

Serves 8

### **Ingredients**

1 POUND - fresh broccoli

1 TABLESPOON - acceptable margarine

1 TABLESPOON - peanut oil

**1 POUND** - carrots, peeled and thinly sliced

**3/4 POUNDS** - mushrooms, thinly sliced

**5 MEDIUM** - green onions, thinly sliced

1 TABLESPOON - fresh lemon juice

2 TABLESPOONS - sherry

Freshly ground black pepper to taste

1 TEASPOON - nutmeg

1 TEASPOON - thyme

CALORIES: 78
PROTEIN: 3G

CARBOHYDRATES: 11G
TOTAL FAT: 4G
SATURATED FAT: 1G
CHOLESTEROL: 15MG
SODIUM: 540MG

### **Directions**

- 1 Rinse broccoli and trim.
- **2** Separate florets by cutting into quarters so they are uniform size.
- **3** Peel stems and cut into 2 inch lengths and set aside.
- 4 In a large skillet or wok, heat margarine and oil over medium heat.
- **5** Add broccoli, carrots, mushrooms, and onions.
- **6** Cook and stir 5 minutes, or until vegetables are tender to crisp.
- **7** Stir in lemon juice, sherry, and other seasonings. Serve immediately.

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# Veggie Noodles

Serves 4

### **Ingredients**

1 POUND - uncooked pasta

**2 cups** - canned, drained vegetables

1 cup - spaghetti sauce

1/2 cup - shredded cheese

#### **Directions**

- 1 Boil water in a cooking pot and add the pasta. Turn down the heat to medium to low; cook for 10 minutes.
- 2 Return cooked and drained pasta back to cooking pot and add the vegetables and spaghetti sauce.
- **3** Sprinkle with cheese just before serving.

CALORIES: 630
TOTAL FAT: 10G
SATURATED FAT: 3.5G
CHOLESTEROL: 15MG
SODIUM: 540MG

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# Spaghetti with Mushroom Sauce

Serves 6

### Ingredients

**3 TABLESPOONS** - acceptable margarine

1 cup - sliced fresh mushrooms

1/3 cup - chopped onion

1 **CLOVE** - garlic, minced

**1 (16 ounce) can** - no-salt-added tomatoes, chopped

**1 6 OUNCE CAN** - no-salt-added tomato paste

1/2 cup - water

1 TABLESPOON - sugar

1 BAY - leaf

1/4 TEASPOON - basil

1/4 TEASPOON - oregano

1/8 TEASPOON - freshly ground black pepper

18 ounce - package spaghetti

### **Directions**

- Melt margarine in large non-stick skillet over medium-high heat and add mushrooms, onion, and garlic.
- 2 Sauté until onions are tender.
- **3** Stir in remaining ingredients except spaghetti.
- 4 Cover and simmer over low heat 2 hours, stirring occasionally.
- **5** If sauce appears too thick, add additional water.
- 6 Remove bay leaf.
- **7** Cook spaghetti according to package directions, omitting salt and drain.

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CALORIES: 262
PROTEIN: 8G

SODIUM: 32MG

CARBOHYDATES: 44G
TOTAL FAT: 7G
SATURATED FAT: 1G
CHOLESTEROL: 0MG

### Classic Macaroni and Cheese

Serves 8 — Serving size is 1/2 cup

### **Ingredients**

2 cups - macaroni

1/2 cup - chopped onions

1/2 cup - evaporated skim milk

1 - medium egg, beaten

1/4 TEASPOON - black pepper

1 1/4 cups - low-fat sharp cheddar cheese (4 ounces), finely shredded

Vegetable oil spray

#### **Directions**

- Cook macaroni according to directions. (Do not add salt to the cooking water.) Drain and set aside.
- **2** Spray a casserole dish with nonstick cooking oil spray.
- 3 Preheat oven to 350° F.
- 4 Lightly spray saucepan with vegetable oil spray.
- **5** Add onions to saucepan and sauté for about 3 minutes.
- 6 In another bowl, combine macaroni, onions, and the remaining ingredients and mix thoroughly.
- 7 Transfer mixture into casserole dish.
- 8 Bake for 25 minutes or until bubbly. Let stand for 10 minutes before serving.

### **Ingredients**

Serves 6

**8 ounces** - gnocchi or large shelled pasta, cooked and drained

Grape and Pasta Sauté

1/2 cup - chopped onion

2 TEASPOONS - olive oil

1 cup - fresh or frozen pea pods, thawed, cut in half diagonally

**1cup** - cubed sweet red or yellow pepper

1 cup - sliced mushrooms

1/2 TEASPOON - dried oregano, crushed

2 cups - seedless grapes

Garlic salt and ground pepper to taste

#### **Directions**

- 1 Sauté onion in oil and non-stick skillet until tender.
- 2 Add pea pods, peppers, mushrooms, and oregano.
- 3 Cook 2 to 3 minutes or until vegetables are crisp to tender.
- 4 Stir in grapes and pasta.
- **5** Add salt and pepper to taste, and heat thoroughly.
- **6** *Variation:* add cooked chicken or shrimp and sprinkle with grated parmesan cheese.

CALORIES: 200
TOTAL FAT: 4G
SATURATED FAT: 2G
CHOLESTEROL: 34MG
SODIUM: 120MG

CALORIES: 220



Healthy snacks
and
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# Mango Shake

Serves 4 — Serving size is 3/4 cup

## Ingredients

2 cups - 1% milk

4 TABLESPOONS - frozen mango juice (or 1 fresh pitted mango)

1 - small banana

2 - ice cubes

CALORIES: 106
TOTAL FAT: 2G
SATURATED FAT: 1G
CHOLESTEROL: 5MG
SODIUM: 63MG

### **Directions**

1 Put all ingredients into a blender. Blend until foamy. Serve immediately.

Variations: Instead of mango, try orange juice, papaya, or strawberries.

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# Summer Breezes Smoothie

Serves 3 — Serving size is 1 cup

### Ingredients

1 cup - plain nonfat yogurt

6 - medium strawberries

1 cup - pineapple, crushed, canned in juice

1 - medium banana

1 TEASPOON - vanilla extract

4 - ice cubes

CALORIES: 121

TOTAL FAT: LESS THAN 1G SATURATED FAT: LESS THAN 1G

CHOLESTEROL: 1MG
SODIUM: 64MG

### **Directions**

- 1 Place all ingredients in a blender and purée until smooth.
- 2 Serve in a frosted glass.

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### 1-2-3 Peach Cobbler

Serves 8 — Serving size is 1 square

### **Ingredients**

1/2 TEASPOON - ground cinnamon

1 TABLESPOON - vanilla extract

2 TABLESPOONS - cornstarch

1 cup - peach nectar

**1/4 cup** - pineapple juice or peach juice

2 - 16-oz cans of peaches, sliced, packed in juice, drained (or 1 3/4 pounds fresh peaches)

Nonstick cooking oil spray (to grease baking dish)

1 TABLESPOON - soft margarine

1 cup - dry pancake mix

2/3 cup - all-purpose flour

1/2 cup - sugar

2/3 cup - evaporated skim milk

#### TOPPING

1/2 TEASPOON - nutmeg

1 TABLESPOON - brown sugar

CALORIES: 271
TOTAL FAT: 4G

SATURATED FAT: LESS THAN 1G CHOLESTEROL: LESS THAN 1G

**S**ODIUM: **263**MG

#### **Directions**

- 1 Preheat oven to 400° F.
- 2 Combine cinnamon, vanilla, cornstarch, peach nectar, and pineapple or peach juice in a saucepan over medium heat. Stir constantly until mixture thickens and bubbles.
- 3 Add sliced peaches to mixture.
- 4 Reduce heat and simmer for 5 to 10 minutes.
- 5 In another saucepan, melt margarine and set aside.
- 6 Lightly spray an 8-inch square glass dish with cooking oil spray. Pour hot peach mixture into the dish.
- 7 In another bowl, combine pancake mix, flour, sugar, and melted margarine. Stir in milk.
- 8 Quickly spoon mixture over peach mixture.
- 9 Combine nutmeg and brown sugar. Sprinkle mixture on top of batter.
- **10** Bake at for 15 to 20 minutes or until golden brown.
- 11 Cool and cut into 8 squares.

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## Hummus for Spring Vegetables

Serves 4 — Serving size is 1/2 cup

### Ingredients

1 - 15 1/2 ounce can reduced sodium garbanzo beans, drained and rinsed

1 TABLESPOON - tahini

2 TABLESPOONS - lemon juice

2 cLoves - garlic, chopped

1/4 TEASPOON - salt

1/4 - 1/2 cup - water (no more than 1/2 cup of water because you want a thick texture)

1/4 cup - parsley, chopped

A pinch of cayenne pepper

#### **Directions**

- 1 Place beans in a processor or blender. Add the tahini, lemon juice, garlic, salt, and cayenne. Whiz until smooth.
- 2 Scrape into a bowl and stir in the parsley. Serve with fresh cut up vegetables or as a sandwich spread.

CALORIES: 123
TOTAL FAT: 4G
SATURATED FAT: 0G
CARBOHYDRATES: 17MG
SODIUM: 261MG

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### Five Star Fruit Salad

Serves 6

### Ingredients

- 1 sweet pineapple, peeled, cored, and diced into small cubes
- 1 mango, peeled and sliced into thin strips
- **3** green Anjou pears, cored and diced into small cubes
- 1 large ruby red grapefruit, segmented

Seeds of 1 pomegranate

Juice of 5 limes

3 TABLESPOONS - honey

CALORIES: 191
TOTAL FAT: 1G
SATURATED FAT: 0G
CHOLESTEROL: 0MG
SODIUM: 4MG

### **Directions**

- 1 Combine all fruit, or layer in a clear bowl.
- 2 Whip together the lime juice and honey.
- **3** Pour dressing on fruit.

# Rice Pudding

Serves 5 — Serving size is 1/2 cup

### Ingredients

6 cups - water

2 - cinnamon sticks

1 cup - rice

3 cups - skim milk

2/3 cup - sugar

1/2 TEASPOON - salt

#### **Directions**

- 1 Put the water and cinnamon sticks into a medium saucepan. Bring to a boil.
- 2 Stir in rice. Cook on low heat for 30 minutes until rice is soft and water has evaporated.
- **3** Add skim milk, sugar and salt. Cook for another 15 minutes until it thickens.
- 4 Serve warm or cold.

CALORIES: 372

TOTAL FAT: LESS THAN 1G
SATURATED FAT: LESS THAN 1G

CHOLESTEROL: 3MG SODIUM: 366MG Delicious Heart-Healthy Latino Recipes NIH and NHLBI www.nhlbi.nih.gov/health/public/heart

### Sweet Potato Custard

Serves 6

### **Ingredients**

1 cup - cooked mashed sweet potato

1/2 cup - mashed banana (about 2 small bananas)

1 cup - evaporated skim milk

**2** TABLESPOONS - packed brown sugar

2 -beaten egg yolks (or 1/3 cup egg substitute)

1/2 TEASPOON - salt

1/4 cup - raisins

1 TABLESPOON - sugar

1 TEASPOON - ground cinnamon

Nonstick spray coating

#### **Directions**

- 1 Preheat oven to 300° F.
- 2 In a medium bowl stir together sweet potato and banana. Add milk, blending well. Add brown sugar, egg yolks, and salt, mixing thoroughly.
- 3 Spray a 1 quart casserole with nonstick spray coating. Transfer sweet potato mixture to casserole.
- 4 Combine raisins, sugar, and cinnamon; sprinkle over top of sweet potato mixture. Bake in oven for 45 to 50 minutes or until a knife inserted near center comes out clean.

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### Coconut Macaroons

Serves 12 — Serving size is 2 macaroons

### Ingredients

1 1/4 cups - sweetened flaked coconut

1 1/2 cups - crisped rice cereal

2 - egg whites

3 TABLESPOONS - granulated sugar

1 TEASPOON - vanilla extract

1/8 TEASPOON - coconut extract

#### **Directions**

- 1 Preheat the oven to 300° F. Line two baking sheets with parchment paper or spray with nonstick cooking spray.
- 2 In a medium baking pan or shallow baking dish, evenly spread the coconut in a thin layer. Bake, stirring every 5 minutes, until lightly browned throughout, about 15 minutes. Remove and let cool. Raise the oven heat to 350° F.
- 3 In a medium bowl, combine the cooled coconut, rice cereal, egg whites, sugar, vanilla, and coconut extract; stir with a spatula until well combined. Moisten your hands and shape the mixture into walnutsize balls, compacting the balls so they hold together. Place on the prepared baking sheets. Bake until lightly browned, about 20 minutes; cool at least 30 minutes on a rack before serving.

TOTAL FAT: 3G
SATURATED FAT: 3G
CHOLESTEROL: 0MG
SODIUM: 65MG
CARBOHYDRATES: 10G
FIBER: 0G

SUGAR: 8G
PROTEIN: 1G

CALORIES: 63

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**S**ODIUM: **235**MG

# Watermelon Blueberry Banana Split

Serves 4

### Ingredients

2 - large bananas

8 - "scoops" watermelon

2 cups - fresh blueberries

1/2 cup - vanilla low-fat yogurt

1/4 cup - crunchy cereal nuggets

### **Directions**

- 1 Peel bananas and cut in half crosswise, then cut each piece in half lengthwise.
- **2** For each serving, lay 2 banana pieces against the sides of a shallow dish.
- 3 Place a watermelon "scoop" at each end of the dish.
- **4** Fill the center space with the blueberries.
- **5** Stir yogurt until smooth. Spoon over the watermelon "scoops."
- 6 Sprinkle with cereal nuggets.



CALORIES: 186
TOTAL FAT: 1G
CHOLESTEROL: 1MG
SODIUM: 66MG

# Berry Delicious Pie

Serves 2 — Serving size is 1/2 cup

### Ingredients

4-5 - medium strawberries

1/4 cup - raspberries

1 TABLESPOON + 1 TEASPOON strawberry glaze (sugar free)

2 - graham cracker crusts (individual size)

Whipped topping (pressurized)

#### **Directions**

- 1 Wash strawberries and raspberries.
- 2 Remove stems from strawberries and cut into quarters.
- 3 Mix strawberry pieces and raspberries together in a bowl.
- 4 Chop until pieces are small.
- strawberry glaze on the bottom and sides of piecrust.
- 6 Add strawberry/raspberry mixture (about 2 tablespoons).
- 7 Top with 1 teaspoon of strawberry
- 8 Top with whipped topping as
- 9 Serve immediately or place in

- **5** Spread about 1 teaspoon of

- desired.

refrigerator until ready to serve.

### **Ingredients**

2 - oranges

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2 TABLESPOONS - honey

1/4 TEASPOON - ground cinnamon

1/4 TEASPOON - ground cloves

Baked Sliced Apples

3 - Granny Smith apples, peeled, cored and cut in 1/2 inch slices

**5** TABLESPOONS - raisins

1/4 cup - walnuts, chopped and divided

1/4 cup - low-fat vanilla yogurt

#### **Directions**

- 1 Preheat the oven to 500° F. Grate the zest of one of the oranges and set aside. Squeeze the juice form both oranges into a small bowl. Stir the honey, cinnamon, cloves, and half the zest into the juice.
- 2 Lay half the apple slices in a glass baking dish. Scatter the raisins and 2 tablespoons of the walnuts on top. Pour on half the juice mixture and top with remaining apples and juice.
- 3 Combine the remaining 2 tablespoons walnuts with the orange zest and scatter over the top. Cover lightly with foil and bake 30 minutes or until the apples are soft and the juices, bubbly.
- 4 Serve warm or cold with a dollop of low-fat vanilla yogurt.

CALORIES: 150 TOTAL FAT: 6G FIBER: 2G

CHOLESTEROL: 0MG **S**ODIUM: **150**MG

CALORIES: 206

## Apple-Raisin Sauce

Serves 9

### **Ingredients**

1 1/4 cups - apple juice

1/2 cup - apple butter

2 TABLESPOONS - molasses

1/2 CUP - raisins

1/4 TEASPOON - ground cinnamon

1/4 TEASPOON - ground nutmeg

1/2 TEASPOON - orange zest (optional)

GREAT WITH BREAD PUDDING RECIPE ON NEXT PAGE!

CALORIES: 233
TOTAL FAT: 3G
SATURATED FAT: 1G
CHOLESTEROL: 24MG
SODIUM: 252MG

### **Directions**

- 1 Stir all ingredients together in medium saucepan.
- 2 Bring to a simmer over low heat. Let the sauce simmer 5 minutes.
- 3 Serve warm.

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# Bread Pudding

Serves 9

### Ingredients

10 - slices whole wheat bread

**1** - egg

3 - egg whites

1 1/2 cups - skim milk

1/4 cup - sugar

1/4 cup - brown sugar

1 TEASPOON - vanilla extract

1/2 TEASPOON - cinnamon

1/4 TEASPOON - nutmeg

1/4 TEASPOON - cloves
2 TEASPOONS - sugar

Vegetable oil spray

CALORIES: 233

TOTAL FAT: 3G

SATURATED FAT: 1G

CHOLESTEROL: 24MG

**S**ODIUM: **252**MG

#### **Directions**

- 1 Preheat the oven to 350° F. Spray 8x8 inch baking dish with vegetable oil spray.
- 2 Lay slices of bread in the baking dish in two rows, overlapping them like shingles. In a medium mixing bowl, beat together the egg, egg whites, milk, 1/4 cup sugar, the brown sugar, and vanilla. Pour the egg mixture over the bread.
- 3 In a small bowl stir together the cinnamon, nutmeg, cloves, and sugar. Bake the pudding for 30 to 35 minutes, until it has browned on top and is firm to the touch.
- 4 Serve warm or at room temperature, with warm apple raisin sauce. (See previous page)

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