

Veg Out

QUICK & EASY WAYS TO ADD MORE VEGGIES INTO YOUR DAY

1 in 10 Americans meet the recommended daily intake for vegetables¹

The recommended daily intake for vegetables is between 2 - 3 cups per day²

BENEFITS OF EATING VEGETABLES



Health Benefits³

A diet rich in vegetables can lower a person's risk for diseases such as heart disease, stroke, and cancer



Fiber 4,5

Vegetables contain dietary fiber which helps to maintain a healthy gut, prevents constipation, and prevents against certain diseases.



Gut Health 4,5

Dietary fiber In vegetables Is broken down and fermented which promotes good bacteria growth and a healthy gut microbiota.



Micronutrients²

Vegetables are full of micronutrients (vitamins and minerals) that our body needs to properly function.

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Adults meeting fruit and vegetable intake recommendations – united states, Zulvi, Center's for Disease Control and Frevention.

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Steamed Broccoli Salad

Prep time: 15 min Cook time: 2 min Servings: 6

INGREDIENTS

2 lbs broccoli florets 1/2 cup water 1/2 cup walnuts 1/2 cup raisins 1/2 cup cooked bacon crumbles 1/2 red onion 1/2 cup mayonnaise 1 Tbsp white vinegar 1/2 tsp salt

1/2 tsp black pepper

DIRECTIONS

- 1. Rinse broccoli, chop into broccoli florets.
- 2.Place in a microwave safe dish, add water (make sure it touches the bottom 1/3 of the broccoli) and add saran wrap. Create a small hole in saran wrap to allow air to get through. Place in the microwave and cook for 3 - 3 1/3 minutes. Broccoli should be easily stabbed with a fork but not too soft when cooked througuahly.
- 3. Once broccoli is steamed, drain into a colander. Run broccoli through cold water until broccoli has cooled.
- 4. Place broccoli on a paper towel and blot to remove excess water. Transfer broccoli to a mixing bowl and set aside.
- 5. Rinse red onion and thinly slice. Add to the broccoli along with bacon, raisins, walnuts, mayonnaise, vinegar, salt, and pepper. Stir well.
- 6.1f desired, let the broccoli salad chill in the refrigerator for 30-60 minutes before serving to make it colder and allow the flavors to meld. Enjoy!
- *Recipe Adapted From: https://www.fifteenspatulas.com/three-secrets-to-great-broccoli-salad/

Sauteed Sugar Snap Peas

Cook time: 5 min Servings: 2 Prep time: 10 min

INGREDIENTS

2.5 cups sugar snap peas; Use stringless if preferred 1 clove of garlic 2 tablespoon Olive Oil 1/2 teaspoon salt, or to taste 1/4 teaspoon black pepper, or td taste 1/2 lemon

DIRECTIONS

- 1. Rinse sugar snap peas and pat them dry.
- 2. If peas were not purchased "stringless", then remove the stem end with a knife or by snapping it with your fingers and pull away the membrane string running down the seam of each pod. Repeat with all of the sugar snap peas.
- 3. Mince 1 clove of garlic.
- 4. Heat oil in a large skillet over medium-high heat.
- 5. Once hot, add in minced garlic clove and sauté until fragrant, about 30 seconds.
- 6. Then, add the snap peas and sauté for between 3-5 minutes until tender and slightly crisp, stirring them often. When they're ready, the pea pods should still be bright green but with a few browned spots and a tender-crisp texture.
- 7. Season with salt and pepper (to taste), and then serve the peas with lemon wedges to squeeze over them.

Fresh Greek Salad

Total time: 15 min Prep time: 15 min Servings: 4

INGREDIENTS

1 English cucumber 2 cups halved cherry tomatoes 5 ounces feta cheese 1/3 cup red onion 1/3 cup pitted Kalamata olives <u>Dressing:</u>

1/4 cup extra-virgin olive oil 3 tablespoons red wine vinegar 1 garlic clove, minced 1/2 teaspoon dried oregano 1/4 teaspoon Dijon mustard

1/4 teaspoon sea salt Freshly ground black pepper

DIRECTIONS

- 1. Peel and chop cucumber into 1/4 inch half moons, slice cherry tomatoes in half, and thinly slice red onion.
- 2.Combine cucumber, tomatoes, red onion, kalamata olives in a large bowl.
- 3. Mix together dressing ingredients together in a separate
- 4. Cover salad with dressing and toss well.
- 5.Add feta just before serving.

*Can substitute homemade dressing with your favorite vinaigrette.