Melons

Key Points

- For the best buy, choose melons that have a good scent and are heavy for their size with no bruises.
- To prepare melons, rinse the rinds and cut them in half or in wedges and remove the seeds.
- To store fresh, leave whole melons at room temperature out of direct sunlight for up to 1 week. Refrigerate cut melons for up to 5 days.
- Melons contain vitamin A, which is good for healthy eyes and skin.

Melon Bowls

Ingredients:

1 melon (cantaloupe or honeydew) 1 cup low fat yogurt 3 cups chopped mixed fruit

Directions:

- 1. Cut melon in half and remove seeds.
- 2. Scoop out an inch of melon around the center, widening the 'bowl'. Chop and set aside.
- 3. In a large bowl, mix the chopped melon, yogurt and chopped mixed fruit.
- 4. Scoop fruit mixture into melon bowls.
- 5. Chill for 1 hour.
- 6. Serve cold and enjoy!
- 7. Refrigerate leftovers.

Makes 6 servings.

Watermelon Black Bean Salsa

Ingredients:

2 cups chopped watermelon, seeds removed
1 cup cooked black beans
1/2 cup chopped onion
1 tablespoon chopped green chilies
1 garlic clove, minced
2 tablespoons lime juice
1 tablespoon vegetable oil
Salt to taste (optional)

Directions:

- 1. In a large bowl, mix all ingredients together.
- 2. Cover and chill in refrigerator.
- 3. Stir and serve with tortilla chips or with chicken or fish.
- 4. Refrigerate leftovers.

Makes 4 servings.





Quick Tips

- Serve melon balls or cubes with cottage cheese.
- Add melon cubes or melon balls to fruit salads.
- Serve melon halves with chicken or seafood salads.
- Remember to rinse all fruits and vegetables before using.

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The Nutrition Facts Label—What does it tell us?

Recipe name: Melon Bowls

Nutrition Facts						
Serving Size: 1/6 of recipe (225g) Servings Per Recipe: 6						
						Amount/Serv
Calories 110 Calories from Fat 5						
	% Daily Value*					
Total Fat 1g		1	%			
Saturated Fat 0g 2%						
Trans Fat	<u>0g</u>					
Cholesterol	less thar	n 5mg ′	<u>%</u>			
Sodium 45mg 2 %						
Total Carbohydrate 26g 9%						
Dietary Fiber 3g 10%						
Sugars	s 21g	-				
Protein	<u>3g</u>					
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2. Check Calories.

- 3. Limit these: •Total Fat •Saturated Fat •Trans Fat •Cholesterol
 - •Sodium
- 4. Get enough of these: •Fiber •Vitamin A •Vitamin C •Calcium •Iron

Percent (%) Daily Value: 5% or less is LOW 20% or more is HIGH

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Nutrition Facts					
Serving Size: 1/4 of recipe (153g) Servings Per Recipe: 4					
Amount/Serving					
Calories 120 Calories from Fat 30					
<u>% Daily Value*</u>					
Total Fat 4	g		<u>6%</u>		
Saturated I	Fat 0g		<u>2%</u>		
Trans Fat	<u>0g</u>				
Cholesterol Omg			<u>0%</u>		
Sodium 10mg			0%		
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		Vitamin C	15%		
Vitamin A	8%				
		Vitamin C Iron	15% 6%		
Vitamin A	8%				
Vitamin A Calcium	8% 2%	Iron	6%		
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