

Choose ingredients from each column below to make a meal for 4-6 people.

GREENS choose: 10 ounce bag	VEGGIES choose: 1-2 cups	SALAD DRESSING choose one: ½ cup
Leaf lettuce	Corn kernels, black beans, peas	Oil and vinegar
Spinach	Carrots, shredded	Honey mustard
Romaine lettuce		Citrus dressing
Kale	Broccoli or cauliflower florets, chopped	Balsamic
Mixed salad greens	Cucumber or bell peppers,	vinaigrette

OPTIONAL PROTEIN ADD-INS choose one: 2 cups optional: ½ cup Canned beans, rinsed and drained Nuts, seeds or fruit Hard boiled eggs, chopped Cheese, shredded Roasted chicken, turkey, beef or pork, shredded or sliced Cooked pasta Extra firm tofu, crumbled and drained Whole grain croutons

Frozen peas or edamame, thawed and drained

BASIC RATIO FOR SALAD DRESSING

- 3 parts olive or canola oil
- 2 part acid (vinegar or lemon juice)
- Salt and pepper, garlic or Italian seasoning

CITRUS DRESSING

2 Tablespoons lime, lemon or orange juice

3-4 Tablespoons oil

Salt and pepper to taste

BALSAMIC VINAIGRETTE

- 2 Tablespoons balsamic vinegar
- 1 Tablespoon dijon mustard
- 3 Tablespoon oil
- 1 Tablespoon honey

Salt and pepper to taste



NUTRITION TIP: Homemade salad dressings are quick and easy to make and healthier than store-bought dressings because they are usually lower in sugar and salt (sodium) and are made with healthier oils. Plus, you can't beat the fresh taste of a homemade dressing.

SIMPLE DRESSING

- 3 Tablespoons olive oil
- 2 Tablespoons red wine vinegar
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1⁄4 teaspoon pepper

CREAMY LOW-FAT RANCH DRESSING

1 (6 oz) container of plain nonfat/low fat yogurt

1/3 cup low-fat mayonnaise

- 2 Tablespoons white vinegar
- 1 Tablespoon dried dill
- 1⁄4 teaspoon garlic powder
- 1⁄4 tsp salt

HONEY MUSTARD

- 6 Tablespoons mustard
- 1 Tablespoon red wine vinegar
- 1 ½ Tablespoons honey

Salt and pepper to taste

1 ½ Tablespoons canola oil

TRY THESE COMBOS!

- SIMPLE SPINACH SALAD: Spinach +shredded carrots + hard-boiled eggs + honey mustard dressing
- FAST SOUTHWESTERN DINNER SALAD: Romaine lettuce + corn + diced tomatoes + black beans + cooked and chilled brown rice + shredded cheddar cheese + sliced olives + citrus dressing with a pinch of chili powder



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