

Recipe Category: Cold Main Dish

Cool 'n Crunchy Meat, Barley and Veggie Salad

Yield: 2 servings, about 2 1/2 cups each

1/2 cup cooked and cooled barley, quinoa or rice

1 tablespoon instant chopped onion

1 tablespoon peanuts, preferably unsalted and dryroasted

1 tablespoon grated Parmesan cheese

1 tablespoon dried parsley flakes

1/4 teaspoon ground black pepper

1/8 teaspoon dried red pepper flakes, or more if desired

3 tablespoons reduced fat "light" ranch salad dressing

1/2 cup chopped or shredded raw carrots

1/4 cup chopped sweet bell pepper, any color

1/4 cup chopped celery, cucumber or zucchini squash

1/4 cup frozen whole kernel sweet corn

1/2 cup cooked dry beans, any kind (such as kidney, garbanzo, navy or black), cooked without added salt, rinsed and drained

- 3 ounces (about 2/3 cup) cooked chopped meat, without bones and trimmed of fat, such as chicken, turkey, beef or pork
- 2 cups chopped or torn fresh salad greens, such as romaine or spinach
- 1. Wash your hands and work area.
- 2. In a mixing bowl, gently stir together all ingredients except salad greens.
- 3. To serve, place half of the greens on a dinner plate and top with half of the salad mixture.
- 4. Cover and refrigerate leftovers within two hours.



Meal suggestion: Serve with applesauce, whole wheat bread. and low-fat milk.

This low cholesterol cold main dish is an excellent source of vitamins A and C, dietary fiber and iron, and a good source of calcium.

Nutrition Facts

Serving Size about 2 1/2 cups (287g) Servings Per Container 2

Amount Per Serving		
Calories 310	Calories	from Fat 80
		% Daily Value*
Total Fat 9g		14%
Saturated Fat	1.5g	8%
Trans Fat 0g		
Cholesterol 45m	ıg	15%
Sodium 310mg		13%
Total Carbohydr	ate 37g	12%
Dietary Fiber 8	g	32%
Sugars 5g		
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Protein 22a

Calcium 15%	6 · I	ron 20%		
*Percent Daily Values are based on a 2,000 calorie diet. Your daily values may be higher or lower depending on your calorie needs:				
	Calories:	2,000	2,500	
Total Fat	Less than	65g	80g	
Saturated Fat		20g	25g	
Cholesterol	Less than	300mg	300 mg	
Sodium	Less than	2,400mg	2,400mg	
Total Carbohydra	ate	300g	375g	
Dietary Fiber		25g	30g	

Vitamin A 170% • Vitamin C 50%

Calories per gram:
Fat 9 • Carbohydrate 4 • Protein 4

2 1/2 carbohydrate choices per serving.

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