Middle Eastern Vegetable Salad



Yield: 4 to 6 servings

Ingredients

- 10 scallions, white and green parts, thinly sliced
- 1 pound ripe tomatoes, seeded, cored, and 1/2-inch-diced
- 1 hothouse cucumber, halved lengthwise, seeded, and 1/2-inch-diced
- 1 can or jar (12 to 16 ounces) chickpeas, rinsed and drained
- 1/3 cup chopped fresh parsley
- 1/3 cup chopped fresh mint leaves
- 1/3 cup julienned fresh basil leaves
- 1/2 cup freshly squeezed lemon juice (4 lemons)
- 1 tablespoon minced garlic (3 cloves)
- Kosher salt and freshly ground black pepper
- 1/2 cup good olive oil
- 8 ounces good feta cheese, 1/2-inch-diced
- Toasted whole wheat pita bread, for serving

Directions

Place the scallions, tomatoes, cucumber, chickpeas, parsley, mint, and basil in a large salad bowl and toss to combine.

In a small bowl or measuring cup, whisk together the lemon juice, garlic, 2 teaspoons salt, and 1 teaspoon pepper. Slowly whisk in the olive oil to make an emulsion. Pour the dressing over the salad, tossing gently to coat all the vegetables. Add the feta, sprinkle with salt and pepper, and toss gently. Serve the salad with the toasted pita bread.

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Estimated nutrient analysis for 1 serving Approximately 2 C of salad with 1 whole wheat pita bread Dietary fiber: 8 g (30% of DV)

*Target goals are based off a 2000 calorie diet

Nutrients	Target	Average Eaten
⊞ Total Calories	2000 Calories	491 Calories
⊞ Protein (g)***	46 g	15 g
⊞ Protein (% Calories)***	10 - 35% Calories	12% Calories
⊞ Carbohydrate (g)***	130 g	42 g
■ Carbohydrate (% Calories)***	45 - 65% Calories	34% Calories
⊞ Dietary Fiber	25 g	8 g
⊞ Total Sugars	No Daily Target or Limit	6 g
⊞ Added Sugars	< 50 g	0 g
⊞ Total Fat	20 - 35% Calories	57% Calories
⊞ Saturated Fat	< 10% Calories	16% Calories
⊞ Polyunsaturated Fat	No Daily Target or Limit	7% Calories
⊞ Monounsaturated Fat	No Daily Target or Limit	31% Calories
⊞ Linoleic Acid (g)***	12 g	3 g
⊞ Linoleic Acid (% Calories)***	5 - 10% Calories	6% Calories
⊞ α-Linolenic Acid (% Calories)***	0.6 - 1.2% Calories	0.6% Calories
⊞ α-Linolenic Acid (g)***	1.1 g	0.3 g
⊕ Omega 3 - EPA	No Daily Target or Limit	0 mg
⊞ Omega 3 - DHA	No Daily Target or Limit	0 mg
⊞ Cholesterol	< 300 mg	33 mg
Minerals		
⊞ Calcium	1000 mg	253 mg
⊞ Potassium	4700 mg	460 mg
⊞ Sodium	< 2300 mg	661 mg

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