

EATING IN MODERATION

Eat in moderation. Maintaining a healthy diet is important for many reasons, but a diet rich in fruit, vegetables, and omega-3 fatty acids, may promote overall health and lower the risk of developing dementia

Spicy Tofu & Spinach Scrambled Eggs

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Ingredients

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Firm tofu (drained)	200 g
Spinach leaves (loosely chopped)	2 cups
Canola oil	1 Tbsp
Cumin powder	½ tsp
Chili powder	1/4 tsp
Garlic (minced)	1 clove
Eggs (beaten)	4
Red medium sized onion (sliced)	

14 tsp turmeric (optional)

Nutritional Information (250 g per serving)

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Energy	330 kcal
Carbohydrate	2 g
Protein	24 g
Fat	24 g
Saturated Fat	5 g
Cholesterol	300 mg
Dietary Fibre	8 g
Sodium	170 mg
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- **1.** Add spices (garlic, cumin powder and chili powder) to a small bowl and set aside.
- 2. Warm a large pan over medium heat. Add Canola oil and onion slices. Cook for 5 minutes or until the onion slices soften.
- **3.** Add spinach, cover to steam for 2 minutes.
- **4.** Meanwhile, use a fork to crumble drained tofu into bite-sized pieces.
- **5.** Move spinach to one side of pan and add tofu into pan.
- **6.** Sauté tofu for 2 minutes, then add mixed spices.
- Stir to mix the tofu and spinach immediately, evenly distributing the dry spices. Cook for another 5-7 minutes until tofu is slightly browned.
- **8.** Add eggs to the pan and cook. Serve hot.



OMEGA-3 FATTY ACIDS

Unsaturated fatty acids have protective effects against the development of dementia, they have anti-oxidative impacts for the brain as well as heart healthy benefits. Nasi Ulam



Mixed brown rice (uncooked)	2 cup
Dried shrimps	
(pre-soaked and drained)	2 Tbsp
Grated coconut	40 g
Lemongrass	1 stalk
Medium shallot	1
Kaffir lime leaves	
Ginger flower	
Mint leaves	

Nutritional Information (200 g per serving)

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Energy	370 kcal
Carbohydrate	43 g
Protein	14 g
Fat	15 g
Saturated Fat	1 <mark>2</mark> g
Cholesterol	97 mg
Dietary Fibre	5 g
Sodium	_

Cooking Method

(Cucumber slices for garnishing)

- **1.** Cook rice in a rice cooker, leave it to cool after cooked.
- Coarsely pound drained dried shrimps using a mortar and pestle. Heat up a wok and dry toast pounded shrimp until dry and aromatic.
- 3. Make grated coconut into kerisik by stir frying coconut continuously in a wok, until
- they turn brown. Transfer to mortar and pestle and pound until fine.
- **4.** Finely slice kaffir leaves, shallot, ginger flower and lemongrass.
- **5.** In a big bowl, combine cooked rice and all the herbs, toasted coconut and dried shrimps together. Toss to combine well. Serve hot.







BENEFITS OF EXERCISE

Exercise sharpens memory!
There are many things you can
do for exercise, including yoga,
line dancing, swimming, walking,
pilates, and taichi. Check with your
local community centre on what
they offer.

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Ingredients

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Tinned tuna in water	
(150 g, drained)	l can
Macaroni (uncooked)	
Chilli paste	
Oyster sauce	
Canola oil	
Garlic (minced)	
Egg (raw)	
Medium brown onion (minced) 1	
(Parsley and cherry tomatoes optional for ga	

Nutritional Information (200 g per serving)

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Energy	520 kcal
Carbohydrate	50 g
Protein	28 g
Fat	23 g
Saturated Fat	3 g
Cholesterol	108 mg
Dietary Fibre	5 g
Sodium	490 mg

- 1. In a large pot of boiling water, cook macaroni and remove from heat before cooked through. Drain and set aside.
- 2. Heat pan or wok on medium high heat, and add oil.
- **3.** Add garlic and onion, stir fry until onion is translucent.
- **4.** Add oyster sauce, chilli paste and 2 Tbsp of water.
- **5.** Add in drained macaroni, and toss to combine.
- **6.** Finally, add in tuna. Stir fry until well combined (you may add some water if it is too dry).
- **7.** Garnish with parsley and cherry tomatoes as desired. Serve immediately.



VITAMIN A

Studies showed that higher intakes of vitamin A (beta carotene) were associated with better cognitive function. This can be found from vegetables like tomatoes, carrots, spinach, pumpkin, sweet potatoes and broccoli.

Chicken Curry with Pumpkin

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Ingredients

Chicken thigh(boneless, skinless,	
cubed 2 cm sized)	200 g
Pumpkin (peeled, cubed)	1 cup
Curry paste	.50 g (¼ packet)
Canola oil	1/2 Tbsp
Low fat evaporated milk	¼ cup
Medium sized shallot (sliced thinly)	.1
Thumb-sized ginger (sliced thinly)	1
Some curry leaves (optional)	

Nutritional Information (400 g per serving)

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Energy	. 370 k <mark>c</mark> al
Carbohydrate	. 18 g
Protein	23 g
Fat	40 g
Saturated Fat	8 g
Cholesterol	85 mg
Dietary Fibre	8 g
Sodium	450 mg

- 1. Heat a deep pot and add canola oil. Sauté sliced shallots until aromatic or light brown in colour. Add curry paste and curry leaves (if using) into pot, stir until aromatic.
- 2. Add chicken meat. Stir fry for 1 minute before adding 1 cup water.
- **3.** Cover pot and cook at medium heat. Bring curry to boil then lower heat, add pumpkin and more water if needed.
- **4.** Simmer for 20 minutes or until chicken is tender.
- **5.** Add low fat evaporated milk and bring to boil. Serve hot.



BENEFITS OF EXERCISE

Exercising regularly will make your heart and lungs more efficient. It will also help lower cholesterol levels and maintain blood pressure at a healthy level, thus decreasing the risk of dementia.

Soft Idli



Urad dal (raw, pre-soaked)	1⁄4 cup
Idli rice (raw, pre-soaked)	1 cup
Fenugreek seeds (Vendhayam)	½ Tbsp
Salt	½ tsp

Nutritional Information (150 g per serving)

Energy	340 kcal
Carbohydrate	63 g
Protein	16 g
Fat	1 g
Saturated Fat	0 g
Cholesterol	0 mg
Dietary Fibre	10 g
Sodium	590 mg

- **1.** Grind soaked fenugreek seeds in water for 4-5 minutes until finely ground and have fluffed up.
- 2. Add Urad dal to wet grinder with the fenugreek with ½ cup water. Pour in water slowly. The dal should have increased about 8-10 times of its original volume. Grind for 10 minutes. Then transfer dal mixture into a bowl and set aside.
- Grind rice separately for 10 minutes until smooth. Add ¼ cup water while grinding. Transfer to dal mixture and mix well.
- Add salt to batter and set aside for 12 hours or overnight.
- **5.** Put ¼ cup water in an idli vessel on medium heat. Oil idli plate and gently fill plate with batter.
- **6.** Put inside idli vessel and let it steam for 8-10 minutes. Leave it undisturbed for 4-5 minutes after cooking and spoon it out. Serve hot.



AN ACTIVE SOCIAL LIFE

Be physically and socially active! Did you know that the more connected people are, the better they fare in memory tests? Physical activity and social interaction may delay the onset of dementia and reduce its symptoms. Crispy Oats Dosa



Oat flour	. ½ cup
Rice flour	1/2 cup
Low fat yoghurt (plain)	1/4 cup
Cumin	
Onions (chopped 1 cm sized)	2 Tbsp
Ginger (crushed)	1/2 tsp
Curry leaves (chopped roughly)	1 sprig

Nutritional Information (200 g per serving)

Energy	300 kcal
Carbohydrate	56 g
Protein	7 g
Fat	5 g
Saturated Fat	2 g
Cholesterol	<mark>4</mark> mg
Dietary Fibre	4 g
Sodium	20 mg

- **1.** Add cumin, oat flour and rice flour in a large mixing bowl.
- 2. Mix in chopped onions, curry leaves, ginger, yoghurt, 1 cup water and mix well.
- **3.** Heat a non-stick pan and pour batter on pan. Cook until edges are crispy on medium heat. Flip dosa until cooked through. Serve warm.







PROBIOTICS

Problotics like yogurt, kimchi, and kefir are great for your gut health and bacteria, which is linked to improve age related cognitive decline and mood.

Spinach Raita



Yoghurt (plain)	1 cup
Spinach (chopped finely)	1 cup
Canola oil	2 tsp
Sesame seeds (white)	1 tsp
Ginger (chopped finely)	1 tsp
Salt	_
Small green chilli (chopped finely).	1 .

Nutritional Information (200 g per serving)

Energy	210 k <mark>c</mark> al
Carbohydrate	
Protein	
Fat	13 g
Saturated Fat	5 <mark>g</mark>
Cholesterol	<mark>19</mark> mg
Dietary Fibre	<mark>. 1</mark> g
Sodium	

- **1.** Put yoghurt in a bowl. Add salt and mix well until smooth. Keep aside.
- 2. In a small pan, heat canola oil. Add sesame seeds and sauté for 30 seconds, until they start to pop and splutter.
- 3. Add chopped ginger and green chilli and sauté.
- **4.** Add chopped spinach and cook for another 2-3 minutes till wilted.
- **5.** Remove spinach mixture and mix into prepared bowl of yoghurt.
- **6.** Chill raita in refrigerator for 2 hours before serving.







VOLUNTEERISM

community centre! Volunteering connects you to new people as you help and work with others. Studies show that volunteering has a positive impact on your mental well-being and physical health.

Lentil & Cauliflower Dal

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Ingredients

Dal (yellow lentils)½ cup
Reduced salt chicken stock 1 cup
Cauliflower
(raw, cut into small florets) 1 cup
Indian curry paste 1 Tbsp
Canola oil 1 Tbsp
Garlic (finely chopped) 1 clove
Large red onion (thinly sliced) ½
(Coriander for garnishing)

Nutritional Information (250 g per serving)

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Energy	350 kcal
Carbohydrate	39 g
Protein	14 g
Fat	14 g
Saturated Fat	2 g
Cholesterol	0 mg
Dietary Fibre	21 g
Sodium	400 mg

- **1.** Heat canola oil in a large pan over medium heat.
- 2. Add onion, garlic and curry paste to cook, stirring mixture for 5 minutes or until onion softens.
- **3.** Add lentils into pan and stir well to coat.
- **4.** Add chicken stock and bring to boil, cover and simmer over low heat for 15 minutes.
- **5.** Return heat to medium, add cauliflower and simmer covered until vegetables are tender.
- **6.** Garnish with coriander as desired, serve immediately.