

### FUNDAMENTAL FOOD





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#### Chocolate mint shake



1 ripe banana

2 icecubes

200ml unsweetened almond milk (or milk of your choice)

1 tbsp organic cocoa powder a drop of peppermint extract 35g chocolate flavoured whey or rice protein powder

**SERVES** 1

Put all of the ingredients into a blender and blend until smooth. Add more water if necessary to achieve the desired consistency.



# Nutty banana smoothie



1 ripe banana
400ml unsweetened almond
milk (or milk of your choice)
35g vanilla flavoured whey or rice
protein powder
1 tbsp ground almonds
1 tbsp nut butter (of your choice)

Put all of the ingredients into a blender and blend until smooth. Add more water if necessary to achieve the desired consistency.

CEDVEC 2



PER SERVING: 250 Calories 19g Carbs 20g Protein 10g Fat

# Blueberry protein muffins



small amount of organic coconut
oil to grease tin
200g blueberries
75g low fat quark
3 egg whites
1 tsp vanilla extract
3g baking soda
75g vanilla or banana flavoured
whey or rice protein powder
10g stevia (or use sweetener of
your choice)
100g oatbran
2 tsps ground cinnamon

Preheat oven to 180°C/350°F. Grease 7 muffin tin compartments with coconut oil.

Mash the berries thoroughly in a bowl. Stir in the quark, egg whites and vanilla extract and mix well until thoroughly combined.

In a separate bowl, mix the remaining ingredients together.

Pour the wet mixture into the dry mixture and mix thoroughly to combine. Spoon the mixture into 7 of the muffin tin compartments.

Bake in the oven for 15 minutes or until golden brown and spring back to the touch.

Remove muffins from the tin and allow to cool on a wire rack.

Once cooled, store in an airtight container for up to 3 days.

#### **MAKES 7 MUFFINS**



PER MUFFIN: 118 Calories 11g Carbs 14g Protein 2g Fat

# Chewy banana & date flapjacks



35g organic maple syrup
85g organic butter
40g organic coconut oil
75g pitted dates, finely chopped
80g ripe banana
30g banana or vanilla flavoured
whey or rice protein powder
20g organic coconut flour
100g organic oats (use gluten free
if preferred)
10g ground flaxseed
40g ground almonds

Preheat oven to 180°C/360°F.

Line a baking tray with parchment paper. Gently melt the maple syrup, butter and coconut oil in a saucepan. Allow to cool. Pour the mixture into a blender. Add the dates and banana and pulse into a smooth paste.

Transfer to a large bowl and add all the remaining ingredients. Stir well until combined.

Spoon the mixture onto the baking tray and flatten with a spoon, shaping into a rectangle.

Bake for 25 minutes or until golden brown. Allow to cool for 5 minutes, then cut into 12 pieces. Remove from tray when cool.

MAKES 12 FLAPJACKS



### Protein nut freezer bars



20g ground almonds
20g ground hazelnuts
60g chocolate flavoured whey or
rice protein powder
30g almond butter
30g ground flaxseed
1 tbsp ground cinnamon
30g organic dark chocolate
(minimum 70% cocoa)
1 tsp chopped hazelnuts for
topping (optional)

SERVES 6

Mix all of the ingredients in a bowl, except for the dark chocolate and chopped hazelnuts. Gradually add small amounts of cold water and mix well until the mixture forms the consistency of a thick paste. Cover two baking trays with greaseproof paper. Spoon the mixture in a long thick line onto each tray.

Bring the greaseproof paper up and around the long sides of the mixture, to help it keep its shape. Use several pegs to clip the baking paper together over the bars. Freeze for 20 minutes or until the bars are firm.

Put the chocolate in a heatproof bowl. Pour several inches of boiling water into a shallow wide based dish. Place over a gentle heat and allow the water to simmer gently. Place the bowl containing the chocolate into the shallow dish of water. Melt the chocolate and slowly, stirring regularly. Remove from heat.

Remove the bars from the freezer. Unclip the pegs, and slowly peel away the greaseproof paper. Cover the bars with melted chocolate and sprinkle with the hazelnuts, if using.

Return to freezer. Remove from freezer 15-20 minutes before serving.



### Mocha angel whip



300ml unsweetened almond milk 30g chocolate flavoured whey or rice protein powder ½ tsp xanthan gum 190g low fat quark 1 tsp coffee granules

#### to serve:

200g mixed berries or raspberries 10g dark chocolate (minimum 70% cocoa), grated

SERVES 3

Put half of the almond milk, plus the protein powder, xanthan gum, quark and coffee granules in a large bowl and whisk.

Slowly, whisk in the remaining almond milk.

Spoon the berries into dessert bowls. Top with the protein mixture. Chill for at least 30 minutes.

Sprinkle over the grated chocolate and serve with berries.

Refrigerate for up to 2 days.



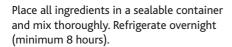
PER SERVING: 127 Calories 10g Carbs 15g Protein 3g Fat

# Lemon chia overnight pudding



250ml unsweetened almond milk 50g chia seeds zest and juice of ½ a lemon ½ tsp vanilla extract (optional) 100g raspberries (fresh or frozen) plus a few extra to serve 1 tsp honey (or sweetener of your choice)

SERVES 2



Stir well. Serve with a few extra raspberries.

Store any leftovers in an airtight container and refrigerate for up to 2 days.

#### Serving suggestion:

Spoon a dollop of Greek yoghurt into the bowl with the chia pudding.



PER SERVING: 190 Calories 19g Carbs 6g Protein 10g Fat

#### Raisin pancakes



2 small ripe bananas

4 tbsps oats (use gluten-free oats if preferred)

30g coconut flour or gluten free plain flour

4 egg whites

30g vanilla flavour whey or rice protein powder

2 tsps stevia (or use sweetener of your choice)

1 tbsp organic raisins

1 tbsp coconut oil

#### **MAKES 6 PANCAKES**



Put all of the ingredients except for the raisins and coconut oil into a blender and mix until creamy. Add a dash of water if required – the mixture should be quite thick but runny enough to pour.

Heat a small amount of the coconut oil in a non-stick pan over a medium/high heat. Pour one sixth of the mixture into the centre of the pan. Sprinkle on some of the raisins.

Move the pan around gently to even out the mixture into a circular shape. When small holes appear in the pancake, turn or flip it over and heat on the other side for 1-2 minutes.

Transfer pancake to a plate. Add more oil to the pan and repeat the process five times with the remaining batter.

Store any leftover pancakes in an airtight container and refrigerate for up to 2 days.

Serving suggestion: Serve with blueberries and honey



PER PANCAKE: 143 Calories 20g Carbs 9g Protein 3g Fat



### Summer cous cous



80g fresh apricot or berries 50g Greek yoghurt (use dairy free if preferred)

1 tsp chia seeds (or use seeds of choice)

Place the water in a saucepan and bring to the boil. Reduce heat to low and add the cous cous. Stir well and remove pan from heat. Cover and leave for around 8 minutes to absorb the water.

Fluff up with a fork and transfer to a serving bowl. Top with the apple, apricot / berries, yoghurt and seeds.

Store any leftovers in an airtight container and refrigerate for up to 3 days.

#### **SERVES 1**



### Kale, cocoa & berry breakfast bowl



a handful of kale leaves

150ml unsweetened almond milk

½ a medium sized ripe banana

40g frozen blueberries

1 tbsp cocoa powder

1-2 ice cubes

1 tsp honey

#### For the topping:

2 tsps sunflower seeds

1 tsp honey

40g raspberries

1 tsp chia seeds

**SERVES 1** 

Place all of the ingredients in a blender (except the topping ingredients) and blend until smooth.

Transfer to a serving bowl.

Add the topping ingredients and serve.

Store any leftovers in an airtight container and refrigerate for up to 24 hours.





PER SERVING: 292 Calories 48g Carbs 7g Protein 8g Fat

# Pear, walnut & vanilla quinoa porridge



30g quinoa

100ml unsweetened almond milk (or milk of your choice)

2 tsps chia seeds

1 tbsp natural sweetener of choice small pinch of sea salt

1 vanilla pod, with an incision made lengthways (or use 1 tsp vanilla extract)

a pinch of ground cinnamon

1 tsp raisins

2 tinned pear halves, sliced 10g walnuts, chopped

CEDVEC 1

Rinse the quinoa and simmer in a saucepan of water for around 20 minutes until cooked.

Meanwhile place the almond milk in a saucepan over a low heat. Add the vanilla pod if using, cover and simmer for 20-25 minutes (or longer if you have time).

Drain the quinoa and add to the vanilla milk, with the chia seeds. Cook, stirring for 15 minutes. Remove pan from heat.

Transfer the contents of the pan to a serving bowl. Mix in the raisins, vanilla extract (if using), sweetener and salt. Top with pear and walnuts. Enjoy warm or cold.

Store any leftovers in an airtight container and refrigerate for up to 2 days.



## Colourful veggie scramble



large handful of spinach, chopped roughly

1 tbsp organic coconut oil or butter 100g mushrooms, chopped 30g sun-dried tomatoes, drained and chopped

1 clove garlic, finely chopped

4 medium sized eggs

2 egg whites salt and pepper to season

SERVES 2

Steam the spinach for around 5 minutes until fork tender. Set aside

In a non-stick frying pan, heat the oil or butter over a medium heat. Add the mushrooms and sauté, stirring for 4 minutes.

Add the steamed spinach, sun-dried tomatoes and garlic. Sauté, stirring for 3 minutes.

Beat the eggs and whites for 30 seconds, then pour evenly over the vegetables. Allow to cook untouched for around 2 minutes.

Gently stir the mixture together until the eggs are fully cooked, around 2-3 minutes.

Season with salt and pepper and serve.

Consume immediately.



PER SERVING: 316 Calories 7g Carbs 18g Protein 24g Fat

#### Cauliflower curry



300g cauliflower florets

1 tsp ghee or organic butter

2 medium white onions, diced

2 garlic cloves, finely chopped

1 thumb sized piece fresh ginger, finely chopped

2 tsps ground cumin

2 tsps black mustard seeds

2 tbsps curry powder

4 green chills (optional)

400ml fresh vegetable stock or use 1 organic stock cube

200g passata

1 x 400g tin chickpeas sea salt flakes

1 handful fresh coriander, finely chopped

SERVES 3

Bring a saucepan of water to the boil, add the cauliflower and cook for 2 minutes. Remove from heat and drain.

In a large saucepan, melt the ghee / butter over a medium heat. Add the onions and sauté for 5 minutes.

Add the garlic, ginger, cumin and mustard seeds. Sauté for 5 minutes, stirring regularly.

Add the curry powder, chillis, stock, passata and chickpeas, and bring to the boil. Reduce to a simmer.

Season with salt and cook, covered for 10 minutes. Remove from heat, stir in the coriander and serve.

Store in an airtight container and refrigerate for up to 4 days or freeze on the same day.







#### Feta egg bake

2 medium sized sweet potatoes, peeled and diced
100g white onion, diced salt and pepper to season
1 tbsp coconut oil or butter plus extra for greasing
4 medium sized eggs small handful spinach, finely chopped
60g Feta cheese, diced

**SERVES 4** 



Preheat oven to 180°C / 375°F

Heat the coconut oil / butter in a non-stick frying pan over a medium-high heat.

Add the potatoes and onion and sauté for 10-15 minutes, or until they begin to soften. Season with salt and pepper.

Grease a baking dish with a small amount of coconut oil or butter.

Transfer the potatoes and onion to the bottom of the baking dish then crack the eggs on top. Sprinkle on the Feta cheese and spinach. Oven bake for 25-30 minutes, or until the eggs are cooked to your liking.

Store any leftovers in an airtight container and refrigerate for up to 3 days.



PER SERVING: 196 Calories 13g Carbs 9g Protein 12g Fat

# Protein stuffed peppers



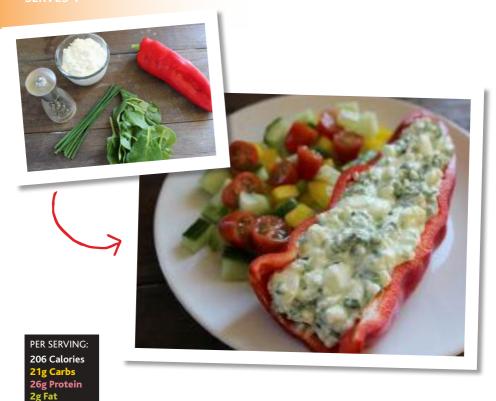
250g plain cottage cheese small bunch of fresh chives, chopped finely small handful of spinach leaves, chopped finely 1 ramiro / romano pepper, cut in half lengthways black pepper to season

In a bowl, mix the cottage cheese, chives and spinach together. Season with pepper.

Spoon into each half of ramiro pepper.

Store any leftovers in an airtight container and refrigerate for up to 3 days.

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# Quinoa & black bean salad

1 tsp coconut oil
half a small red onion, diced
1 clove garlic, chopped
6 baby plum tomatoes
½ a courgette, spiralled or cut
into thin strips
1 green finger chilli, sliced
½ a yellow bell-pepper, diced
100g tinned black beans
salt and pepper to season
¼ tsp ground cumin
½ tsp ground coriander
100g cooked quinoa
sprinkle of flaked almonds

Melt the coconut oil in a large frying pan over a medium heat.

Add the red onion and sauté for 1 minute. Add the garlic and baby tomatoes.

Add the courgette and chilli and stir. Sauté for 2 minutes.

Add the yellow pepper and a drop of cold water.

Add the beans and stir. Turn the heat up.

Add the salt, pepper, cumin and coriander, and stir.

Add the quinoa and stir well. Add a drop more water if the mixture sticks to the pan.

When everything is heated thoroughly, serve topped with flaked almonds.

Store any leftovers in an airtight container and refrigerate for up to 3 days.

**SERVES 2** 



PER SERVING: 219 Calories 29g Carbs 10g Protein

#### Mexican bean chilli



2 x 400g cans mixed beans or black beans, rinsed 175g quinoa (uncooked), rinsed 250ml fresh vegetable stock (or use 1 organic stock cube) 50ml (or more) cold water 1 x 400g can chopped tomatoes small bunch of coriander, chopped 1 red bell-pepper, finely diced 1 tbsp garlic, finely chopped 2 finger chillis, chopped finely 2 medium sized white onion, diced

1 cinnamon stick
2-3 tsps chilli powder
1 tsp cumin powder
1 tsp onion powder
½ tsp ground pepper
½ tsp sea salt

SEDVES 6

Place all ingredients in a large saucepan over a high heat and bring to a boil.

Reduce heat to low, cover and simmer.

Check after 30 minutes. Add a drop more water if the mixture looks a bit dry.

Cook for another 30 minutes. Add more water if the mixture is sticking to the pan.

Serve garnished with extra coriander.

Store any leftovers in an airtight container and refrigerate for up to 3 days or freeze on same day.





PER SERVING: 211 Calories 35g Carbs 11g Protein 3g Fat

# Chinese style tofu stir fry

450g fresh tofu (firm variety), cut into small blocks
300g tinned mixed salad beans
5 spring onions, chopped finely
2 garlic cloves, finely chopped
3 tbsps dark soy sauce
2 tbsps Worcestershire sauce
2 tsps Chinese 5 spice
2 tsps organic coconut oil
350g mixed stir fry vegetables
4-6 green chillis (optional)
250g beansprouts

SERVES 2

In a bowl, mix the tofu with the salad beans, spring onions, garlic, soy sauce, Worcestershire sauce and Chinese 5 spice. Cover and marinate in the fridge for 1 hour (or more if you have time).

Remove tofu from the marinade mixture and set the mixture aside.

Heat the oil in a wok, over a high heat, and carefully fry the tofu for 5 minutes or until golden. Remove tofu from wok and set aside.

Put the remaining marinade ingredients into the wok and stir fry for 3 minutes. Add the stir fry vegetables and chillis (if using) and cook for 3 minutes. Add the beansprouts and cook for 5 minutes, stirring frequently.

Serve the stir fry vegetables in a bowl, and top with the tofu and spring onions.

Store in an airtight container and refrigerate for up to 4 days.



PER SERVING: 456 Calories 44g Carbs 34g Protein 16g Fat



# Creamy quinoa & yellow split pea curry



1/2 tsp cumin seeds 5g ghee or coconut oil 1 small cinnamon stick 1 tsp dried crushed red chillis 5-6 curry leaves 1 small red onion, finely chopped 2 cloves garlic, finely chopped equivalent amount of ginger, finely chopped 1 medium tomato, chopped 150g yellow split peas (dry weight, soaked overnight and drained) 100g uncooked quinoa 1 tsp garam masala <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> tsp ground turmeric 1/₂ tsp sea salt 100g plain quark (or use dairy free yoghurt) handful of chopped coriander to garnish

Roast the cumin seeds for 2-3 minutes in a large saucepan over a medium heat. Add the ghee/oil and stir to melt.

Add the cinnamon stick, chillis and curry leaves and fry for 1-2 minutes to release the flavours. Add the onion, and cook for 5 minutes until soft, stirring occasionally.

Add the ginger and garlic and stir for 1 minute. Add the tomato and stir.

Add the yellow split peas and quinoa along with approximately 400ml boiling water.

Add the garam masala and turmeric and stir. Bring to a simmer and allow to cook for 35-40 minutes, stirring occasionally Add more water as and when required. Once the curry has reached a similar consistency to porridge oats, add the salt and stir in the quark. Serve garnished with chopped coriander.

Store any leftovers in an airtight container and refrigerate for up to 3 days or freeze on same day.



### Mediterranean baked eggs

1 tsp ghee or coconut oil 1/2 a red onion, finely chopped 1/2 a red pepper, finely sliced 1/2 a yellow pepper, finely sliced 4 garlic cloves, finely chopped 400g tinned chopped tomatoes 1/2 tsp paprika 1/2 tsp oregano <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> tsp dried basil (or use fresh chopped basil) pinch of sea salt 20g Cheddar cheese, grated (or use dairy free cheese) 3 eggs

Preheat oven to 200°C / 400°F.

Melt the ghee / oil in a frying pan over a medium heat. Add the onion and sauté gently for 3 minutes, stirring occasionally.

Add the red and yellow pepper and sauté for 2-3 minutes, stirring occasionally until soft.

Add the garlic and fry gently for 2 minutes, stirring.

Add the tomatoes and herbs and spices. Stir well and cook for 2 minutes.

Transfer the contents of the pan to a medium sized ovenproof dish.

Make 3 small wells in the mixture and carefully crack an egg into each.

Sprinkle over the grated cheese.



# Thai green vegetable curry

2 tsps organic coconut oil

1 thumb sized piece of fresh ginger, finely chopped

3 cloves garlic, peeled and finely chopped

2-3 green chillis (optional), chopped

3 tbsps Thai green curry paste

1 large sweet potato, peeled and diced

4-5 lime leaves (optional)

1 x 400g tin chickpeas, drained and rinsed

200ml coconut milk

100ml cold water

I large handful of spinach juice of half a lime small bunch fresh coriander, chopped Melt the oil over a medium heat in a large saucepan. Add the ginger, garlic, chillis and curry paste. Sauté gently for 2-3 minutes, stirring occasionally.

Add the sweet potato, lime leaves (if using) and chickpeas. Stir to coat in the curry paste.

Add the coconut milk and water and bring to a simmer. Cook uncovered for 15-20 minutes or until the sweet potato is cooked.

Add the spinach and stir. Cook for 1-2 minutes.

Add the lime juice and stir. Remove from heat.

Serve with chopped coriander.

Store any leftovers in an airtight container and refrigerate for up to 3 days or freeze on same day.

