Power Salad How To Make The Ultimate Tasty & Nutritious Salad

Follow these simple steps and you'll have a nutritious, healthy and filling meal ready in a few minutes. Remember, always choose organic, local options when possible!

Base

Use two cups of any of the following:

- baby spinach
- · romaine
- · spring mix
- kale

Any other dark, leafy, green (ex. Arugula, collards, dandelion greens)

Note: these bitter greens can be very strong, so use a mixture for best taste

Proteins

Add 1/2 cup or 3 – 4 ounces of any of the below proteins:

- · chicken breast pieces
- salmon/tuna
- beans (our favorites: black beans, garbanzo beans, or cannellini beans)
- egg
- · tofu/ tempeh
- hummus

Fats

Provide satiety and better absorption of nutrients. Try the following healthy fats:

- 1/4 of an organic avocado
- 1 Tbsp raw nuts (i.e. sliced almonds, chopped walnuts, or unsalted pistachios)
- 1-2 tsp of extra virgin olive oil (great with a squeeze of fresh lemon or some balsamic vinegar for a homemade dressing)
- 1 Tbsp raw seeds (i.e. sunflower, pumpkin chia, flax or sesame seeds)

Grain/ Carbohydrate

1/4-1/2 cup of any of these grains or starchy vegetables can make your salad more of a well-rounded meal:

- quinoa
- · brown rice
- barley
- · sweet potatoes/squash
- · A whole grain tortilla, toasted for tortilla "chips"

Toppings

To keep your salad spiced up, try adding in 3-4:

- · fresh herbs
- · sliced cucumber
- · grated beets
- grated carrots
- scallions
- caramelized onion
- · roasted bell pepper
- · broccoli
- · fresh berries
- · mandarin oranges
- shredded coconut (one tsp)
- sliced, rinsed olives (one tsp)

Dressing

Try some of these simple means to boost flavor instead of using pre-packaged dressing!

- Creamy dressing: one Tbsp Greek yogurt thinned with a little water & fresh, diced herbs
- If no fat on the salad already, mix 1-2 tsp olive oil with an acid like lemon or balsamic vinegar.
- Flavored balsamic vinegars (try a raspberry balsamic, pear vinegar, or apple cider vinegar)
- · Citrus wedge
- · Home-made salsa
- Hummus (thin out with a little water and add some fresh herbs)
- Spicy Hummus (thin out one Tbsp of hummus with one Tbsp salsa for a zesty dressing)

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