## Macaroni Salad

This quick and simple recipe helps you meet your fibre requirement by using whole wheat pasta, carrots and celery. Including fibre and whole grains in your diet may help you maintain your weight and reduce your risk of chronic diseases.


## Ingredients:

| 3 cups | Whole grain macaroni pasta or any other small pasta | 750 mL |
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| 4 medium | Carrots, shredded | 4 medium |
| 4 stalks | Celery, minced | 4 stalks |
| 1 cup | Cheddar cheese, diced | 250 mL |
| $1 / 2$ cup | Plain 1\% M.F. yogurt | 125 mL |
| $1 / 4$ cup | Ranch dressing | 60 mL |
| 1 Tbsp | Onion flakes, dried | 15 mL |
| $1 / 2$ tsp | Garlic powder | 2 mL |
| $1 / 2$ tsp | Black pepper | 2 mL |

## Directions:

1. In a large pot, cook pasta according to package directions. Drain well and return to pot.
2. Add carrot, celery and cheese to pasta.
3. In a small bowl, measure yogurt, ranch dressing, onion flakes, garlic powder and black pepper. Mix well and add to pasta
4. Mix pasta salad gently. Refrigerate before serving
5. Serve pasta salad cold as a snack or as a side dish

Makes 8 servings ( $\mathbf{2 5 0} \mathbf{~ m L / ~} 1$ cup/ 193 g )

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| Nutrition Facts <br> Per $1 / 8$ of recipe ( $250 \mathrm{~mL} / 1 \mathrm{cup} / 193 \mathrm{~g}$ ) |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| Amount | \% Daily Value |
| Calories 250 |  |
| Fat 9 g | 14 \% |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Saturated } 4 \mathrm{~g} \\ & + \text { Trans } 0 \mathrm{~g} \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | 20 \% |
| Cholesterol 20 mg |  |
| Sodium 200 mg | 8 \% |
| Carbohydrate 34 g | 11 \% |
| Fibre 4 g | 16 \% |
| Sugars 4 g |  |
| Protein 11 g |  |
| Vitamin A | 30 \% |
| Vitamin C | 6 \% |
| Calcium | 15 \% |
| Iron | 10 \% |


| Nutrient Claim | Amount <br> per serving |
| :--- | :---: |
| Very high in fibre | 4 g |
| Source of potassium | 263 mg |
| High in calcium | 168 mg |
| High in magnesium | 45 mg |
| Source of folate | 15 mcg |
| Source of iron | 1.5 mg |


| Food Group | Food Guide <br> servings per <br> recipe serving |
| :--- | :---: |
| Vegetables and Fruit | 1 |
| Grain Products | $1 \frac{1}{2}$ |
| Milk and Alternatives | 0 |
| Meat and Alternatives | 0 |

This is a Choose Sometimes recipe (Mixed Dish-Vegetarian) according to the Alberta Nutrition Guidelines.

