# Whole Grain Salad

## Ingredients

3 cups cooked brown rice, whole grain pasta, couscous or bulgur

1/2 bell pepper (either yellow or orange), seeded and chopped

1/2 large tomato, seeded and chopped

1/4 cup chopped radish

1/4 cup chopped green onion or red Bermuda onion

1/4 cup finely chopped dried fruits (apricots, raisins, figs, etc.)

2 Tbsp nuts or seeds (sesame, sunflower or chopped almonds, walnuts, etc.)

4 oz. low-fat mozzarella cheese, diced

Juice of 1 lime

11/2 Tbsp extra virgin olive oil

2 Tbsp finely chopped fresh chives (or 2 tsp dried)

2 Tbsp finely chopped fresh mint or cilantro (or 2 tsp dried)

Salt and pepper to taste

## **Preparation**

Cook grains according to package directions and allow to cool completely before adding to salad. In a large bowl, combine bell pepper, tomato, radish, green or red onion, dried fruit, seeds or nuts and cheese. Mix lightly with a fork. Fluff the cooked and cooled grains with a fork and combine with the salad mixture. Lightly mix together. In a small container with a tight fitting lid, combine the remaining ingredients. Seal tightly and shake until combined. Add to salad mixture and toss to coat..

## Serves: 5

## **Serving Size: 6 Ounces**



#### **Nutrition Facts (per serving)**

Calories	275
Fat (g)	11
Saturated Fat (g)	3
Cholesterol (mg)	12
Sodium (mg)	126
Carbohydrate (g)	35
Fiber (g)	3
Protein (g)	10
Calcium (mg)	0