

# Chimichurri

Servings: 4

#### Carbohydrates per serving: 2 grams

1	TBSP	Red onion, finely chopped	
1	Each	jalapeño, finely chopped	
3	Each	Garlic cloves, thinly sliced or finely chopped	
1/2	Cup	red wine vinegar	
1	tsp.	salt	
1⁄2	Cup	chopped cilantro	
1⁄4	Cup	chopped parsley	
2	TBSP	chopped oregano	
3⁄4	Cup	olive oil	

Procedure:

- 1. Combine all ingredients in a blender and puree to desired consistency, or leave finely chopped for more body.
- 2. Rest for 30 minutes or overnight and serve.

Fun Fact: Jalapenos are rich in vitamin A, and C. Jalapenos contain a compound called capsaicin. That is what makes them spicy. If you cut a jalapeno and soak it in salt water for at least 30 minutes it will decreases the spiciness. Removing the white "veins" when cutting a jalapeno also reduces the spiciness.



### **Chocolate Mousse**

Servings: 4

Carbohydrates per serving: 13 grams

Ingredient	Amount	Unit of Measure
Egg Whites	3	ea
Semisweet Chocolate chips	1/4	Сир
Stevia	1	TBSP
Vanilla	2	tsp
Heavy Cream	1/2	cup

Procedure:

- 1. In a double boiler melt chocolate and set aside.
- 2. Whip egg whites in a double boiler with stevia and vanilla until  $120^{\circ}\text{F}$
- 3. Fold egg whites into chocolate, then add cream, by folding into the chocolate mixture.
- 4. Allow to set 1 hour in refrigerator

Chef's note: rest eggs at room temperature 1 hour before starting

Fun Fact: Stevia is a plant native to Paraguay and Brazil (South America). It can be used as a nonnutritive (no calories) sweetener and is 200-300 times sweeter than table sugar.



# Quinoa

Servings: 4 Carbohydrates per serving: 27 grams

#### Ingredients:

- 1. Quinoa 1 cup
- 2. Stock (chicken or vegetable) or water 2 cups

#### Procedure:

- 1. Bring stock to a boil
- 2. Stir in quinoa
- 3. Lower heat to a simmer
- 4. Simmer quinoa for 20 minutes
- 5. Season to taste

Fun Fact: Quinoa (pronounced KEEN-wah) is native to South America, and was grown and eaten by the Incas. Quinoa is a gluten free edible seed, which is a good source of folate, magnesium, zinc and iron. Quinoa is also rich in protein (8 grams of protein per 1 cup) and fiber (5 grams of fiber per cup).



### Watermelon Gazpacho

#### Carbohydrates per serving: 1 cup = 22 grams

Ingredients:

- 1 each red seedless watermelon
- 2 each red bell peppers (seeded)
- 1 cucumber (peeled)
- 1/2 of red onion (small dice)
- 6 basil leaves

#### Procedure:

- 1. Combine watermelon, red bell pepper, cucumber, and red onion in blender and puree
- 2. When soup is smooth add basil leaves and puree
- 3. Chill for 1 hour or overnight (best overnight to allow for maximum flavor)

Fun Fact: 1 ½ cup of watermelon has 9-13 milligrams of lycopene. What is lycopene? Lycopene is an antioxidant that fight free radicals. High amounts of free radicals can cause cell damage, which can contribute to chronic health problems.

# Watermelon Pico de Gallo

Servings: 4

Carbohydrates per serving:

Ingredients:

2 cups watermelon, small dice
½ cup red onion, small dice
¼ cup jalapeños, small dice
1 cup cucumber, small dice



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#### Carbohydrates per serving: 9 grams

Ingredients:

2 cups red seedless watermelon-small dice

¼ cup Jalapeno-small dice

1 cup Cucumber-small dice

1/2 cup Red onion-small dice

Procedure:

1. Combine all ingredients into a large bowl and toss together. Add salt to taste.

Fun Fact: Use the outer portion of the watermelon for the Pico de Gallo. The part of the watermelon that is closer to the rind is firmer and will add a nice texture to your Pico. The closer you get the core/center of the watermelon the softer the watermelon texture is, which works well for the watermelon gazpacho.

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