INDIAN · DRINK

Salted Mint Lassi with Ginger

10 min · Makes 2 × 1 tall glass over ice · 156 kcal a portion · Video 4:46 · Manjula's Kitchen

Vegetarian · Gluten-free ingredients · Nut-free

A savoury yoghurt drink with no added sugar: about 9 g of protein, a quarter of a day's calcium and over a third of a day's vitamin B12 a glass. It is salty: nearly 1,000 mg of sodium a glass.

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Ingredients

8 · MAKES 2 × 1 TALL GLASS OVER ICE

- [ ] 2 cups **plain yoghurt** (dahi)
- [ ] about ¼ cup **fresh mint leaves**
- [ ] 2 tsp **fresh ginger juice** (squeezed from finely grated ginger)
- [ ] ½ tsp **salt**
- [ ] ¼ tsp **black salt** (kala namak), optional
- [ ] ⅛ tsp **roasted cumin powder** (bhuna jeera), to garnish
- [ ] a few **mint leaves**, to garnish
- [ ] about 2 cups **ice cubes**

Contains: Milk. Check labels on stock, sauces and spice mixes.

Method

TIMES = THE MOMENT IN THE VIDEO

1. Finely grate a piece of fresh ginger, then squeeze the pulp with your fingers to collect about 2 tsp of juice. 1:38
2. In a blender, blend ¼ cup mint leaves with about 2 tbsp of the yoghurt into a fine, smooth paste. 2:03
3. Add the ginger juice, ½ tsp salt, the black salt (if using) and the rest of the 2 cups of yoghurt. Blend for only a few seconds: blended too long, it turns frothy. 2:40
4. Fill two glasses with ice cubes and pour in the lassi. Sprinkle each with a pinch of roasted cumin powder and top with a few mint leaves. 3:29

> **Tip** For a thinner lassi, Manjula's written recipe blends in 1 cup of water and uses ½ cup ice. It keeps for a day in the fridge. Roast cumin seeds in a dry pan, then grind.

The method is a summary in our words — the video shows every step.

One portion (1 tall glass over ice) gives you

1 OF 2 · ESTIMATE

ENERGY	PROTEIN	CARBOHYDRATE	FIBRE	FAT	SODIUM
156 kcal	8.8 g	13 g	0.4 g	8.2 g	990 mg
650 kJ	18% of a day	13 g net · 12 g sugars	1% of a day	5.2 g saturated	43% of a day
		5% of a day		10% of a day	

Energy from net carbs 32% · protein 22% · fat 46%

High in (20%+ of a day) Vitamin B12 38% · Calcium 24%

Source of (10–19%) Zinc 14% · Selenium 10%

Recipe and video: Manjula's Kitchen (@manjulaskitchen) on YouTube — youtube.com/watch?v=7JGATH5_pEY, published 28 May 2012. All credit for the recipe goes to the cook; please watch and support their channel.

By Notbroken: the method summary, the diet notes and the nutrition estimate — worked out from the ingredient list with USDA FoodData Central values; % of a day compares one serve with the US FDA daily values on food labels (2,000 kcal). Brands, portions and cooking change the real numbers.

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