TURKISH · LUNCH · DINNER

Yayla Çorbası (Turkish Yogurt, Rice and Mint Soup)

30 min · Serves 4 · 286 kcal a serve · Video 5:00 · Hungry Man Kitchen

Vegetarian · Nut-free

Yogurt, an egg yolk and a spoon of flour thicken the soup instead of cream, giving each serve about 7 g of protein and some calcium, with mint and lemon for flavour and no added sugar.

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Ingredients 12 · SERVES 4

- [ ] 100 g **rice**, any variety, washed well
- [ ] 1.5 litres **water**
- [ ] 400 g **plain yogurt** (Turkish or Greek), at room temperature
- [ ] 1 **egg yolk**
- [ ] 1 tbsp **all-purpose flour**
- [ ] **Lemon juice**: juice of ½ lemon
- [ ] 2 tsp **salt**
- [ ] 1 tsp **black pepper** (optional)
- [ ] 40 g **butter**
- [ ] 1 tbsp **oil**
- [ ] 1 tbsp **dried mint**
- [ ] a pinch of extra **dried mint**, to garnish

Amounts in metric units, converted from the cook's and rounded — the video has the originals.

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

Method TIMES = THE MOMENT IN THE VIDEO

1. Wash the rice well, put it in a pan with 1.5 litres of water, bring to a boil and simmer for about 10 minutes until soft. 0:27
2. In a bowl, whisk the room-temperature yogurt with the egg yolk, flour and lemon juice until smooth and lump-free. 1:12
3. Temper the yogurt: whisk in ladlefuls of the boiling cooking water one at a time until the mixture is hot, so it won't curdle. Strain it if you like, then pour it into the pot. 2:18
4. Stir constantly until the soup comes back to a gentle simmer and turns smooth, then season with the salt and pepper. 2:45
5. Melt the butter with the oil in a small pan until sizzling, take it off the heat before it browns and stir in the dried mint until fragrant. 3:10
6. Stir most of the mint butter into the soup and cook to the thickness you like. Serve with the rest of the mint butter and a pinch of mint on top. 3:58

> **Tip** Serves 4 (our estimate). Bring the yogurt to room temperature and keep whisking while tempering so it stays silky. Use less salt if you prefer. Reheat gently.

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

One serve gives you 1 OF 4 · ESTIMATE

ENERGY	PROTEIN	CARBOHYDRATE	FIBRE	FAT	SODIUM
286 kcal	6.7 g	29 g	0.9 g	16 g	1,210 mg
1,200 kJ	13% of a day	28 g net · 5 g sugars	3% of a day	8 g saturated	53% of a day
		11% of a day		21% of a day	

Energy from net carbs 40% · protein 9% · fat 51%

High in (20%+ of a day) Omega-3 25% · Selenium 21% · Vitamin B12 20%

Source of (10–19%) Calcium 12% · Vitamin A 12% · Zinc 10%

⚠ One serve has about 53% of a day's sodium — less salt, stock or sauce (or reduced-salt versions) brings it down.

Recipe and video: Hungry Man Kitchen (@HungryManKitchen) on YouTube — youtube.com/watch?v=LdRXGPynU4Q, published 22 April 2022. All credit for the recipe goes to the cook; please watch and support their channel.

By Notbroken: the method summary, the unit conversions, 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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