Tropical fruits with banana dip recipe

Enjoy fruit cut into chunks and served with a simple banana dip for a fun way to get more in your everyday meals. Kids will love it!

Prep: 10 mins Serves 4

Nutritional information



- 1 fresh mango, peeled, pitted and sliced
- 1 fresh papaya, peeled, deseeded and sliced
- 200g pineapple pieces in natural juice, drained
- 100g strawberries, halved and stalks removed
- 1 banana

• 4 tablespoons low-fat natural yoghurt

Method

1. Arrange the mango, papaya, pineapple and strawberries onto a serving plate.

Information:

To keep the cost down, just use 1 type of fruit to serve with the dip. You could try apple or pear slices instead – or whatever fruits are on offer or in season.

2. Slice the banana into a bowl and mash with a fork. Add the yoghurt and stir well to mix. Serve, dipping the pieces of fruit into the banana mixture.

Information:

Make the banana dip shortly before serving so it doesn't go brown.

Pancakes with caramelised apples recipe

Pancakes are quick and tasty all year round – so don't just leave them for Shrove Tuesday!

Prep: 10 mins Cook: 12 mins Makes 4 pancakes

Nutritional information



- 75g plain flour
- 1 medium egg
- 200ml semi-skimmed or 1% fat milk

- 2 teaspoons vegetable oil
- 1 eating apple, cored and thinly sliced
- 1 teaspoon caster sugar
- finely grated zest and juice of 1 lemon

Method

1. Put the flour into a large jug or mixing bowl. Add the egg and milk and beat with a whisk or a handheld electric beater to make a smooth batter.

Information:

You could use half plain and half wholemeal flour for more fibre!

2. Heat a pancake pan or non-stick frying pan and add a few drops of vegetable oil. Pour in a quarter of the batter, tilting the pan so that it flows evenly over the surface. Cook over a medium heat for 1 to 2 minutes until set, then flip over to cook the other side.

Information:

If you have time, leave the batter to stand for 10 minutes before cooking, and stir thoroughly before adding to the pan.

- 3. Make 4 pancakes in total, adding a few drops of oil to the pan for each one. Keep the pancakes in a warm place until they're all ready.
- 4. Heat the remaining oil in the frying pan and add the apple slices, cooking them over a medium-high heat for 3 to 4 minutes, and turning often.
- 5. Sprinkle the sugar over the apples and cook for another few moments until lightly browned. Add the lemon zest and juice, stir to coat, then remove from the heat.

Information:

If you like, add a sliced banana to the frying pan with the lemon zest and juice, and mix with the apple before sharing between the pancakes.

6. Serve 1 pancake per person, topped with the caramelised apples.

Cherry berry crumble recipe

Frozen cherries and summer berries are topped with a crunchy crumble mixture in this easy pudding.

Prep: 10 mins Serves 6

Nutritional information



- 200g frozen cherries
- 200g frozen summer fruits
- 150g plain flour
- 75g lower-fat spread
- 30g porridge oats

- 1 tablespoon demerara or granulated sugar
- 12 tablespoons low-fat, lower-sugar plain yoghurt, to serve

Method

- 1. Preheat the oven to 180C, fan oven 160C, gas mark 4.
- 2. Put the frozen cherries and berries into a baking dish (there's no need to thaw them).

Information:

Use any combination of frozen fruits, such as raspberries or fruits of the forest.

- 3. Put the flour into a large mixing bowl and add the lower-fat spread, rubbing it in with your fingertips until the mixture looks like fine breadcrumbs. Stir in the porridge oats and sugar.
- 4. Sprinkle the crumble topping evenly over the fruit. Place the dish on a baking tray and bake for 30 to 35 minutes. Serve with 2 tablespoons of yoghurt per person.

Information:

Try adding a few drops of vanilla extract to the yoghurt to add some more flavour.

Healthy Pudding Idea 4

Easy banana ice cream recipe

Make this delicious 1-ingredient banana ice cream in 3 simple steps.

Prep: 5 mins Serves 4

Nutritional information



- 4 very ripe bananas **Method**
 - 1. Peel and slice the bananas use 1 banana per person.
- 2. Freeze for at least 2 hours, or overnight.

3. Add to a food processor and blend until smooth and creamy. Scoop into bowls and tuck in!

Information:

For an extra twist, add a sprinkle of cinnamon or a handful of frozen fruit.

Healthy Pudding Idea 5

Creamy banana porridge with mishmash raspberries recipe

Add fruity goodness to your breakfast with mashed banana and raspberries.

Prep: 10 mins Cook: 10 mins Serves 6

Nutritional information



- 200g porridge oats
- 300ml skimmed milk
- 750ml water
- 2 large ripe bananas

- 200g raspberries (thawed if frozen)
- 4 tablespoons 0%-fat Greek yoghurt

Method

- 1. Put the porridge oats into a saucepan with the milk and water. Heat, stirring constantly, until the porridge thickens. Reduce the heat and simmer for 3 to 4 minutes, stirring often.
- 2. Meanwhile, mash the bananas in a bowl using a fork. Stir half into the porridge. Add the raspberries (or thawed frozen summer berries) to the rest of the banana and squash them a little with the fork.
- 3. Share the porridge between 6 warm bowls and top each portion with the yoghurt and the raspberry mixture.