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depression, anxiety & dementia SECRETS

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# RAINBOW VEGGIE PLATE



#### **VEGGIES:**

- Red capsicum, diced
- Red onion, sliced
- Fresh lemon with poppy seeds
- Raw broccoli florets
- Raw beetroot, finely chopped
- Tomato, diced
- Carrot, finely chopped
- Curly kale, shredded
- Avocado with Hawaiian black lava salt or Celtic sea salt

#### ROASTED CHICKPEA SPLITS:

- chickpea splits or yellow split peas, soaked overnight
- ground coriander
- ground ginger
- turmeric
- Celtic sea salt
- melted coconut oil

Coat chickpea splits in other ingredients and roast at 340<sup>®</sup>F for at least 45 minutes or until cooked.

#### **HUMMUS:**

- roasted chickpea splits
- tahini
- fresh garlic, crushed
- Celtic sea salt
- fresh lemon juice
- olive oil

Blend everything until wellcombined (mine was a bit lumpy as you can see).

Assemble everything as pictured or toss into a salad. Serve with toasted millet bread "buttered" in coconut oil.

### CARED FALAFEL STUFFED CAPSICUMS



#### **FALAFEL STUFFING:**

- 2 cups cooked chickpea splits
- 1 brown onion
- small bunch of coriander, chopped
- 4 garlic cloves, crushed (for ease of peeling and also because garlic must be crushed or cut to release the anti-bacterial, anti-fungal and anti-viral activity of allicin)
- 2 teaspoon turmeric
- 1 teaspoon ground coriander
- <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> teaspoon ground ginger
- Celtic sea salt to taste
- 3 Tablespoon coconut oil

#### **AVOCADO SAUCE:**

- ½ an avocado
- juice of ½ a lemon, few Tablespoon of olive oil
- 2 spring onion shoots

- 1. Slice the capsicums in half and de-seed.
- 2. Pre-heat the oven to 410<sup>P</sup>F.
- 3. Toss all falafel ingredients into a food processor and pulse away until everything is holding together but a bit soggy.
- 4. Scoop mixture into capsicum halves and form remaining stuffing into slightly soggy falafel patties.
- 5. Place patties onto a baking-paper-lined tray for 25 minutes, until browned on the outside.
- 6. Blend sauce ingredients and serve stuffed capsicums and falafels with avocado and Hawaiian red alaea salt or Celtic sea salt, avocado sauce, lime wedges, and a smattering of hemp seeds and activated raw pumpkin kernels.
- 7. Coat chickpea splits in other ingredients and roast at 340<sup>®</sup>F for at least 45 minutes or until cooked.

#### AKED RAINBOW CHIPS WITH Coconut Ginger Lemon Dip



#### CABBAGE CHIPS:

- 10 red cabbage leaves
- Celtic sea salt
- oregano leaves
- 1. Tear the cabbage leaves into two or three pieces.
- 2. Blanch cabbage leaves in boiling water then rinse under cold water.
- 3. Drain leaves and dry with paper towels.
- 4. Season with salt and oregano.
- 5. Bake at 210°F for at least two hours - even more if you want them extra crispy.

#### **SWEET POTATO CHIPS:**

- 4 gold sweet potatoes, very finely sliced into rounds
- ¼ cup melted coconut oil
- Celtic sea salt
- lemon myrtle
- 1. Combine oil, salt, and lemon myrtle in a bowl.
- 2. Toss sweet potato rounds in dressing until evenly coated.
- 3. Bake at 400<sup>®</sup> F for at least half an hour, flipping regularly.

#### **KALE CHIPS:**

- 10 kale leaves, washed, torn and dried thoroughly
- 2 Tablespoon coconut oil
- Celtic sea salt
- 1. Combine oil and salt.
- 2. Toss kale thoroughly in oil until evenly coated.
- 3. Bake at 340<sup>®</sup>F for 10 minutes until crisp

#### COCONUT GINGER LEMON DIP:

- 1/2 cup coconut cream
- 1/2 teaspoon ground ginger
- fresh juice from 1 lemon
- 2 Tablespoon brazil nut butter
- handful of activated raw pistachios
- 1. Blend all ingredients in a blender.
- 2. Top with chopped pistachios and hemp seeds.

\* These are best eaten fresh and the recipe is easy enough that you can make them fresh all the time!

### ARROT & CHARD BREAD



#### **INGREDIENTS:**

- 1 carrot, finely chopped
- 1 small bunch of ruby chard, leaves shredded and stems chopped
- 1½ cups of raw brazil nuts, ground (be careful not to grind it into butter)
- ¼ cup hemp flour
- ½ cup of flax seeds, ground in a coffee grinder
- 1½ filtered water
- ¼ cup melted coconut oil
- 1 Tablespoon tahini
- 1 teaspoon Celtic sea salt
- 1/2 teaspoon dried rosemary
- few drops of Italian essential oil blend
- hemp, pumpkin and sunflower seeds for topping

#### DIRECTIONS

- Mix ground flax and water together, then refrigerate for 10 minutes to thicken.
- 2. Prepare veggies while flax is thickening.
- 3. Combine flax gel, coconut oil, and tahini.
- 4. Add ground nuts and hemp flour and mix well.
- 5. Mix in veggies, essential oil, rosemary, and salt.
- 6. Pour into a baking tin and top with seeds.
- 7. Bake at 375<sup>®</sup>F for an hour.
- 8. Allow to cool before slicing and serving.

### AULIFLOWER, CHIA & HEMP PIZZA BASE



#### **INGREDIENTS:**

The following recipe uses chia eggs to hold this dairy-free, eggfree, grain-free and soy-free pizza base together.

- ½ head cauliflower
  processed into cauliflower rice
- 1 teaspoon dried rosemary
- handful of fresh parsley
- pinch of Celtic sea salt
- pinch of lemon myrtle
- ¼ cup chia seeds
- ½ cup filtered water
- ¼ cup almond meal
- ¼ cup hemp flour

#### DIRECTIONS

- 1. Boil the cauliflower rice for a few minutes and then drain well. Freeze for 10 minutes to cool quickly.
- 2. Grind chia seeds and mix with water to create chia eggs. Refrigerate for 10 minutes to thicken.
- 3. Squeeze cooled cauliflower rice in paper towels to remove any excess moisture.
- Blend all ingredients, including chia eggs, in a highspeed blender and spread mixture onto a baking tray lined with baking paper (I ran out so I had to use foil definitely not ideal!).
- 5. Bake at 375<sup>IIF</sup> for half an hour then top with all your favorite ingredients (I used homemade macadamia cheese, finely chopped beetroot/carrot sautéed in coconut oil, and green beans) and re-bake for another 15 minutes.
- 6. Garnish with parsley or other fresh herbs.

Yield: (makes one pizza base to serve 2 (or 1 extra hungry person))

\*You can replace chia seeds with flax seeds to achieve the same binding effect of eggs.

# AULIFLOWER RICE IN CABBAGE



#### CABBAGE CUPS:

These cabbage cups are quick and easy, with a flavorsome, tangy macadamia butter sauce - any excuse to show a little maca butter love!

- 1 Tablespoon coconut oil
- 2 garlic cloves, crushed and finely chopped
- 4 spring onions, finely chopped
- 8 cherry tomatoes, halved
- 2 mini eggplants, diced
- handful of snow peas, chopped
- fresh juice of half a lemon
- 1 teaspoon Celtic sea salt
- ½ teaspoon dried thyme
- 1/2 cauliflower head

- 5 red cabbage leaves
- coriander leaves and hemp seeds for garnish

#### **CURRY SAUCE**

- 3 Tablespoon macadamia butter
- ½ cup coconut cream
- ¼ teaspoon Hawaiian red alaea salt or Celtic sea salt
- fresh juice of half a lemon
- 1 teaspoon turmeric
- 1 teaspoon ground coriander

- Cook the spring onions and garlic in coconut oil for a few minutes, until fragrant.
- Add tomatoes, eggplant, snow peas, lemon juice, thyme and salt and cook for 10 minutes, until eggplant is tender.
- While the veggies are cooking, blend cauliflower into rice using a blender or food processor on low speed.
- 4. Add cauliflower rice to veggies and continue cooking for 5 minutes.
- 5. Blend all sauce ingredients until smooth and well combined.
- 6. Scoop cauliflower rice into cabbage leaves, drizzle with sauce, and top with coriander and hemp seeds.

\*You can also grate the cauliflower to achieve a rice consistency.

#### AUX PASTA WITH PARSLEY PESTO & Macadamia Cheese



#### **PASTA:**

- 4 oz gluten-free fettuccine (I used edamame and mung bean fettuccine)
- 4 oz gluten-free vermicelli (I used Thai red rice vermicelli)
- Handful of raw activated pepitas
- Handful or broccoli/ radish/sunflower sprouts
- Several broccoli florets for garnish

#### **PARSLEY PESTO**

 ½ cup raw activated cashews

- big handful of fresh parsley
- 1 garlic clove, crushed
- 1 Tablespoon pine nuts
- fresh juice of ½ a lemon
- pinch of Celtic sea salt
- ¼ cup olive oil

#### **MACADAMIA CHEESE**

- 1½ cups raw activated macadamias
- fresh juice of ½ a lemon
- ¼ cup filtered water
- 1 garlic clove, crushed
- 1 Tablespoon pine nuts
- big pinch of Celtic sea salt

- Cook fettuccine and noodles according to package instructions.
- 2. Blend pesto ingredients and stir pesto through pasta.
- Blend cheese ingredients and either stir through pasta or place to the side.
- 4. Stir through pepitas and sprouts and garnish with broccoli.

Yield: 4 servings.

# **COVELY LENTIL CURRY**



#### **INGREDIENTS:**

If you're looking for a hearty, easy vegan meal, this is the curry for you! Even if you're not vegan, I think you'll appreciate the delicious flavors and the health benefits of red lentils are awesome: high protein supply, gut-loving and brain food!

- 1/2 cup red lentils
- handful of cavolo nero kale
- handful of scotch blue kale
- handful of fennel fronds and stalks
- 1 small broccoli head
- 1 small carrot
- 1 brown onion
- 1 clove of garlic
- 1 teaspoon turmeric
- ½ teaspoon Celtic sea salt
- 1 Tablespoon sesame oil
- 2 cups filtered water

#### DIRECTIONS

- 1. Chop garlic and onion and sauté in oil with turmeric and salt until fragrant.
- 2. Chop all veggies and throw in with lentils and water, simmering, covered, for 20 minutes.
- 3. Serve over quinoa or enjoy alone.

\*You can use any greens you like - curries are great for using up veggies!

# 6 Midas Hummus



#### **INGREDIENTS:**

Why have I dubbed this Midas Hummus?! Because I've turned it to gold by adding a carrot and some turmeric!

- 3 cups chickpeas, soaked overnight then boiled
- ¼ cup tahini
- ¼ cup lemon juice
- ½ teaspoon turmeric
- ¾ teaspoon Celtic sea salt
- 1 carrot
- ¼ cup water
- ½ cup olive oil
- 6 cloves of garlic

#### DIRECTIONS

- 1. Blend all ingredients together in a food process until smooth. Blend less if you prefer chunky hummus.
- 2. Serve with celery sticks or healthy crackers.

Yield: 1½ cups.

### UINOA SUSHI



#### **INGREDIENTS:**

Delicious, cheap and easy vegan quinoa sushi! Yummy!

- 1 cup black/red/white quinoa
- 2 cups water
- 1 teaspoon ground ginger
- ½ teaspoon thyme leaves
- ¼ teaspoon Celtic sea salt
- fresh juice of half a lemon
- 1 tbs tahini
- 1 avocado, thinly sliced
- 1 zucchini, grated
- 1 carrot, grated
- 1 capsicum, thinly sliced
- Hawaiian black lava salt or Celtic sea salt to taste
- 5 nori sheets

#### DIRECTIONS

- 1. Cook quinoa in water, ground ginger, thyme and salt for 15 minutes.
- 2. When quinoa is cooked and cooled, stir through lemon juice and tahini, and season with salt to taste.
- 3. Place enough quinoa on a nori sheet (with bamboo mat underneath) to create a thin quinoa layer covering the entire nori sheet except the edge furthest from you.
- 4. Top with all other ingredients and use the bamboo mat to roll the sushi, finishing with a few drops of water on the outer edge to seal the sushi.
- 5. Slice sushi into pieces of desired size.

\*I recommend that you use a bamboo mat to roll the sushi. Or if you're Hawaiian use a musubi press!

\*Nori is high in both magnesium and calcium, which makes it the ideal bone-builder!

### AW CAULIFLOWER RICE SUSHI ROLLS



#### **INGREDIENTS:**

Not only do these sushi rolls look good, they're good for you too!

- 4 nori sheets
- ½ cauliflower head
- the following vegetables, thinly sliced:
- carrot
- capsicum
- avocado
- spring onions
- parsley

#### **KALE PESTO:**

- few leaves of kale
- 2 garlic cloves, minced
- ½ cup pine nuts
- ¼ cup extra virgin olive oil
- Celtic sea salt to taste

#### SAUCE:

- ½ cup olive oil
- fresh juice of half a lemon
- <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> teaspoon sesame seeds
- ¼ teaspoon dulse flakes
- Hawaiian black lava salt or Celtic sea salt to taste
- 1. Process cauliflower into cauliflower rice using a blender or food processor on low speed.
- 2. Blend pesto ingredients and stir pesto through cauliflower rice.
- 3. Wrap cauliflower rice and veggies in nori sheets using a bamboo mat.
- 4. Dip in sauce to serve.

\* This recipe uses pine nuts but you can replace pine nuts with avocado in the pesto to make it a nut-free recipe.

#### WEET POTATO NOODLE SALAD WITH GARLIC GINGER ROOT VEGGIES



#### **INGREDIENTS:**

This salad is full of vegetables and flavor - the perfect salad for a picnic!

- 2 Tablespoon melted coconut oil
- 2 garlic cloves, crushed and finely chopped
- 1-inch chunk of ginger, finely chopped
- 1½ teaspoon Celtic sea salt
- fresh juice of half a lemon
- 2 carrots, finely chopped or grated
- 4 sweet potatoes, finely chopped or grated
- 2 beetroots, finely chopped or grated
- 3 kale leaves, finely sliced

- 100g packet sweet potato noodles
- 1 Tablespoon sesame seeds
- handful of raw activated pistachios, chopped

#### DIRECTIONS

- 1. Cook sweet potato noodles according to packet instructions (takes about 8 minutes).
- 2. While noodles are cooking, sauté garlic and ginger in coconut oil for a few minutes.
- 3. Add the carrot, sweet potato, and beetroot, cover, and cook for about 20 minutes, until sweet potato is cooked.
- 4. Rinse noodles under cold water and drain well.
- 5. Toss noodles, root veggies, and kale together.
- 6. Top with sesame seeds and pistachios.
- \*You can use different vegetables to what I used.

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### TENNEL AND SWEET POTATO SOUP



#### **INGREDIENTS:**

Fennel is a favorite of mine – it balances the ratio of gut bacteria in the digestive tract for optimal health. It also protects the brain neurons against the onset of cognitive impairment.

#### This recipe is vegan, gluten-free and soy-free!

- 1 fennel bulb plus stems and fronds
- 1 eschallot, chopped
- 2 garlic cloves, finely chopped
- 1 small chunk of fresh turmeric, finely chopped
- 2 Tablespoon coconut oil
- 1 large sweet potato, peeled and chopped

- 6 cups filtered water
- 6 drops Italian essential oil blend or 6 teaspoon Italian seasoning
- fresh rosemary, finely chopped
- Celtic sea salt to taste

#### **DIRECTIONS:**

- 1. Saute eschallot, garlic and turmeric in coconut oil until fragrant, about 3 minutes.
- 2. Add all fennel bits and sauté for another 7 minutes.
- 3. Add sweet potato, rosemary, water and essential oil blend and simmer until sweet potato is cooked, about 15 minutes.
- 4. Cool slightly and blend in high-speed blender until smooth.
- 5. Garnish with parsley and coconut cream.

*Note: you can replace the eschallot with red or brown onion.* 

# *R*voCoco Ice Cream



#### **INGREDIENTS:**

This ice cream has a soft serve consistency that will appeal to even tiny tots. Make sure to add lots of coconut nectar if you have a sweet tooth. The carob adds some sweetness, but the avocado and coconut cream aren't sweet at all.

- 1 large avocado, diced and frozen overnight
- 1 can of Ayam coconut cream, poured into ice cube tray and frozen overnight
- coconut flesh and coconut water from 1 fresh young coconut
- juice of half a lemon

- handful of coconut chips (preservative- and sulphite-free)
- fresh avocado, diced
- handful of raw carob kibbles
- coconut nectar to taste (optional)

#### **DIRECTIONS:**

- 1. Blend frozen avocado, coconut cream ice cubes, coconut flesh and water, and lemon juice together in a high-speed food processor or blender.
- 2. Serve with coconut chips, fresh avocado, and carob kibbles.

Yield: 2 servings.

\* Add coconut nectar if you want it to be sweet.

#### ANANA BERRY BREAD & BERRY COCONUT SORBET



#### **BREAD**:

- 5 ripe bananas, mashed
- <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> cup mixed berries
- handful of dried pear pieces, chopped
- ½-¾ cup coconut nectar (depending on desired sweetness)
- ¼ cup coconut oil, melted
- 1 vanilla bean, ground
- fresh juice of half a lemon
- 1/2 teaspoon ground ginger
- 1/2 teaspoon Celtic sea salt
- 1½ cups quinoa flakes (more for topping)
- <sup>1</sup>∕₃ cup almond meal

- ⅓ cup amaranth flour
- <sup>1</sup>⁄₃ cup sorghum flour
- handful of walnuts, chopped (more for topping)
- Mix bananas, coconut oil, coconut nectar, vanilla, lemon, ginger, salt, berries, and pear.
- 2. Add the dry ingredients to the wet ingredients.
- 3. Pour batter into a loaf pan and smooth out the top.
- Sprinkle with walnuts and quinoa flakes and bake at 385°F for 40 minutes.

#### SORBET

• 2 cups of frozen mixed berries

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- <sup>1</sup>⁄₃ cup coconut cream
- <sup>1</sup>⁄₃ cup coconut nectar
- Blend until well combined and serve with bread.
- \* You can leave out the pear pieces if you'd prefer.

\*Quinoa flakes are much more nutritious than oats and lighter on digestion!

### AROB HEMP BALLS



#### **INGREDIENTS:**

These carob hemp balls are excellent for a nutritious hit on the go and are full of protein and healthy fats!

- 1 cup sunflower kernels
- 1/2 cup raw activated pepitas
- 1 cup desiccated coconut (sulphite-free) (plus optional ¼ cup for rolling)
- <sup>1</sup>⁄₃ cup melted coconut oil
- 2-3 Tablespoon raw carob powder (depending on desired level of "sweetness")
- 2 Tablespoon Brazil nut butter
- ¼ cup hemp seeds (plus optional ¼ cup for rolling)

#### **DIRECTIONS:**

- 1. Pulse sunflower kernels and pepitas in a food processor until a meal forms (be careful that it doesn't become a butter consistency).
- 2. Add the rest of the ingredients and process until mixture clumps together.
- 3. Form mixture into balls and roll balls in either hemp seeds or coconut.
- 4. Refrigerate overnight.

Yield: 16 balls.

\*Make sure you use coconut oil as it's essential for the balls to set.

#### AROB KIBBLE & COCONUT Quinoa Porridge



#### **INGREDIENTS:**

- <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> cup quinoa, rinsed
- ¾ cups water
- 1/2 cup coconut cream
- 1 Tablespoon almond meal

#### **DIRECTIONS:**

- Cook quinoa in water and coconut cream for about 12-15 minutes until liquid has evaporated and quinoa is cooked.
- Drown in extra coconut cream and serve with avocado, coconut chips, ground ginger, and carob kibbles. Add coconut nectar if you need sweetener.

Yield: 1 serving.

\*Stick it in the fridge for 20 minutes to serve cold on warmer days.

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### C EPPERMINT CAROB CHIA SEED PUDDING



#### **INGREDIENTS:**

- <sup>1</sup>⁄₃ cup chia seeds
- 1 can (5.4 oz) coconut cream
- 1 heaped Tablespoon raw carob powder (more if you want it really caroby)
- fresh juice of half a lemon
- 1 drop of peppermint essential oil
- 1 teaspoon coconut nectar (optional)

#### **DIRECTIONS:**

- 1. Shake all ingredients in a large glass jar.
- 2. Refrigerate overnight in a bowl.
- 3. Serve chilled with any toppings you like, such as extra chia seeds, berries, banana, coconut, dried fruit, nut butter, fresh fruit, raw activated nuts, refrigerated coconut cream, etc.

#### Yield: 2 servings.

\*You can also use almond milk or another non-dairy milk instead of coconut cream, though it won't set as firm so you might want to use a little less liquid.