# Can-Do PINEAPPLE

## Pineapple Black Bean Salsa

Servings: 4

#### Ingredients

- 1 can (15 ounces) pineapple, drained
- 1 can (15 ounces) black beans, drained and rinsed
- 2 tablespoons fresh cilantro or 2 teaspoons dried cilantro
- <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> red onion, diced
- 1 small jalapeño, diced (optional)
- 1 teaspoon garlic powder
- 2 tablespoons lime juice
- Salt and pepper to taste

#### Directions

- 1. Wash hands and surfaces.
- 2. Combine all ingredients in a large bowl and mix well. Cover and refrigerate until ready to eat.
- 3. Serve with tortilla chips or on top of fish or chicken
- 4. Refrigerate leftovers immediately.

### **Cooking tip**

Keep the seed in the jalapeño if you like a lot of spice!



## Chicken and Pineapple Stir Fry

#### Servings: 6

Ingredients

- 2 teaspoons vegetable oil
- 1 bag (16 ounces) frozen stir-fry vegetables
- 1 can (15 ounces) crushed pineapple, drained (keep the juice!)
- 1 can (12.5 ounces) chunk chicken, drained
- Salt and pepper to taste

#### Sauce

- 3 tablespoons low sodium soy sauce
- 2 tablespoons pineapple juice from can
- 1 teaspoon cornstarch
- 1 teaspoon brown sugar
- 1 teaspoon garlic powder

#### Directions

- 1. Wash hands and surfaces.
- 2. In a small bowl, mix together sauce ingredients. Set aside.
- 3. Heat oil in skillet and add frozen vegetables. Cook for 3-4 minutes over medium-high heat or until vegetables are crisp-tender.
- 4. Add remaining ingredients and sauce and cook for another 2 minutes, or until chicken is hot and sauce is thickened to desired consistency.
- 5. Serve immediately. This dish is great over brown rice.
- 6. Refrigerate leftovers immediately.



## Summer Fruit Smoothie

Servings: 4

#### Ingredients

- 1 cup frozen fruit
- 2 cans (16 ounces each) pineapple, packed in juice
- 2 cups vanilla yogurt

#### Directions

- 1. Wash hands and surfaces.
- 2. Drain pineapple, reserving 1 cup of the juice.
- 3. Put reserved juice, pineapple, frozen fruit, and yogurt in a blender.
- 4. Blend until smooth. Serve immediately.
- 5. Refrigerate any leftovers.

## **Cooking tip**

Try using a variety of canned or frozen fruits to create more flavors.

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## Hawaiian Grilled Cheese

Servings: 4

#### Ingredients

- 1 can (15 ounces) pineapple slices, drained
- 4-8 slices favorite cheese, divided into 4 servings
- 9-ounce package low-sodium sliced ham
- 8 slices whole-grain or whole-wheat bread
- 4 tablespoons unsalted margarine at room temperature, divided

#### Directions

- 1. Wash hands and surfaces.
- 2. Heat a large skillet over medium heat.
- 3. Cook pineapple slices in dry skillet. Remove and place on a paper towel.
- 4. Layer desired amounts of cheese, ham and pineapple slices on one piece of bread, making sure the cheese is the outermost layer. Top with another piece of bread.
- 5. Spread the outsides of each sandwich with 1 tablespoon of margarine, covering the bread all the way to its edges.
- Place two sandwiches in the skillet, pressing down lightly with the back of a spatula. Cook until golden brown, about 2-3 minutes per side.
- 7. Repeat Step 6 with remaining sandwiches.
- 8. Serve hot and enjoy.
- 9. Refrigerate leftovers immediately.



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