

A RED SOX FOUNDATION AND MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL HOSPITAL PROGRAM





Homemade Guacamole

Makes 8 servings

Ingredients:

4 ripe avocados
2 TBSP fresh lime juice
½ cup red onion (minced)
½ cup cherry tomatoes (diced)
4 TBSP fresh cilantro (leaves, finely chopped)
1 tsp salt
¼ tsp black pepper
Optional: 1 green bell pepper (chopped), 1 jalapeno (minced)



Directions:

- 1. Cut avocado in half, remove seed and scoop out the flesh into a medium bowl using a spoon. Using a fork, mash the avocado until slightly chunky.
- 2. Mix in lime juice, onion, tomato, cilantro, salt and pepper. Add ½ of jalapeno. Gradually add more to your desired degree of hotness.
- 3. Serve with 100% whole grain crackers, tortilla chips, and fresh veggies.

Nutrition Tips:

- 1. Each serving of guacamole provides 6 grams of dietary fiber, or 24 percent of the daily recommended intake. Dietary fiber is important because adequate intake can help lowers cholesterol and control blood sugar levels.
- 2. Avocados are a nutrient-dense food, providing heart-healthy monounsaturated fats and over 20 vitamins and minerals. The fat content helps avocados act as a "nutrient booster" by increasing the absorption of fat-soluble nutrients such as vitamin A, D, K, and E.

Source:

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