MILK, 2% Reduced Fat, Shelf Stable

for use in the USDA Household Commodity Food Distribution Programs

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Product Description

Shelf stable milk is fresh milk which requires no refrigeration until the container has been opened. It has been processed using a method called UHT (Ultra High Temperature) which destroys bacteria, while preserving the flavor, taste, and nutritional value of the milk.

Pack/Yield

Shelf stable milk is packed in 1 quart (32 oz) aseptically sealed, brick-style cartons (like juice boxes). One quart yields four (4) – 1 cup servings.

Storage

- Unopened shelf stable milk can be stored without refrigeration for about six months off the floor in a cool, dry place.
- Once the container has been opened, it should be refrigerated like regular milk.
 Keep milk tightly sealed in its original container and consume within 5 to 7 days.

Uses and Tips

Shelf stable milk can be used in cooking and as a baking ingredient like regular milk, but it is often enjoyed as a beverage or over cereal.



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Nutrition Information

- 1 cup of milk counts as 1 cup from the MILK GROUP towards your daily recommended intake.
- A 1 cup of 2% milk is equal to one milk exchange from the Diabetic Exchange.

(See recipes on reverse side)

A serving of 2% reduced fat milk provides:

Nutrition Facts						
Serving size 1 cup (240mL)						
Amount Per Serving						
Calories 130	Fat Cal	45				
	% Daily Value*					
Total Fat 5g		8%				
Saturated Fat 3g		15%				
Cholesterol 18mg		6%				
Sodium 100mg		4%				
Total Carbohydrate 11g		4%				
Dietary Fiber 0g		0%				
Protein 8g		9%				
Vitamin A 13%	Vitamin C	1%				
Calcium 22%	Iron	0%				
Vitamin D 25%						
*Percent Daily Values are based on a 2,000						
calorie diet.						

Family Style Mac N' Cheese

Ingredients

7 oz pkg. elbow macaroni, cooked, drained

2 large eggs, beaten

2 cup 2% reduced fat milk

2 cup shredded sharp cheddar cheese (reserve 1/2 cup)

1 cup (4 oz) pasteurized process cheese spread, shredded or cubed*

1/8 tsp dry mustard

1/8 tsp cayenne pepper

Recipe provided by Got Milk?

*recipe analysis based on 2% reduced fat shredded sharp cheddar cheese.

Directions

- 1. In 2-quart saucepan, combine milk and pasteurized process cheese spread; cook over medium-low heat, stirring frequently until cheese spread is melted.
- Blend 1 1/2 cups shredded cheddar cheese and seasoning; mixing until cheese is melted. Remove from heat. Cool 5 minutes.
- 3. In lightly greased 2-quart baking dish, combine macaroni and eggs, mixing well.
- 4. Add milk and cheese mixture until well blended. Top with remaining cheese. Bake at 350 degrees, 34-40 minutes or until lightly browned. Makes 8 servings.

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Nutrition Information for Family Style Mac N' Cheese:								
Calories	230	Cholesterol	92 mg	Sugar	3 g	Calcium	370 mg	
Calories from Fat	117	Sodium	380mg	Protein	15 g	Iron	0.6 mg	
Total Fat	13 g	Total Carbohydrate	11 g	Vitamin A	185 RAE		_	
Saturated Fat	7 g	Dietary Fiber	0 g	Vitamin C	0 mg			

Quick Berry Smoothie

Ingredients

4 1/2 cups ice cubes

2 cups 2% reduced fat milk

1/3 cup white sugar

2 cups frozen mixed berries

1 teaspoon vanilla extract

Directions

- 1. Fill the blender 3/4 full of ice cubes.
- 2. Pour in the milk, sugar, berries and vanilla.
- 3. Blend until smooth.

Recipe provided by Allrecipes.com

Makes 6 servings

Nutrition Information for Quick Berry Smoothie:							
Calories	160	Cholesterol	7 mg	Sugar	31 g	Calcium	108 mg
Calories from Fat	60	Sodium	50 mg	Protein	4 g	Iron	0 mg
Total Fat	2 g	Total Carbohydrate	34 g	Vitamin A	59 RAE		
Saturated Fat	1 g	Dietary Fiber	2 g	Vitamin C	63 mg		

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