



PREPARATION: 5 MINUTES | SERVINGS: 2

BERRY SMOOTHIE DELIGHT

INGREDIENTS

6 oz soft or silken tofu

1 cup strawberries (fresh or frozen)

1 cup raspberries (fresh or frozen)

1 cup unsweetened soy beverage

1 tablespoon fresh mint

1 tablespoon honey

1 teaspoon vanilla extract

PREPARATION

Add all ingredients to a blender and mix. If you are using fresh fruits, refrigerate for 1 hour before drinking. You can also add some ice cubes before mixing. There is no need to refrigerate if using frozen fruit and the texture will be creamier.

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PHOSPHORUS CHECK ✓

Milk alternatives and phosphorus content

Dairy foods offer several beneficial nutrients including protein, calcium and vitamin D. Dairy or milk-based foods are also natural sources of potassium and phosphorus. They can be part of a kidney-friendly diet but the portion size matters. Too much of these foods can contribute to high phosphorus intake, which should be avoided. While a general recommendation for dairy products is a half-cup serving per day, this amount can vary depending on individual needs.

Many different recipes include dairy products as an ingredient, so finding lower-phosphorus substitutions is important. Milk alternatives can replace cow's milk. Soy, rice and almond beverages offer a lower phosphorus choice. Being plant-based, phosphorus absorption of these alternatives is also lower versus animal-based dairy products. A half-cup of skim milk contains 124 milligrams of phosphorus. In comparison, a half-cup of soy beverage has 110 milligrams of phosphorus, a half-cup of rice beverage includes 75 milligrams of phosphorus, and a half-cup of almond beverage is lowest in phosphorus with 10 milligrams. Each adds a different flavor, so read labels carefully and experiment with recipes to find a preferred milk alternative.

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