

## **Hummus with Raw Veggies**

Makes: 8 servings (1 cup veggies and ¼ cup hummus per serving)

Preparation Time: 10 minutes

## **Ingredients**

6 cups of washed, cut, fresh veggies such as carrots, broccoli, celery, cucumber, or green pepper

1 (15 ounce) can garbanzo beans (chickpeas), drained and liquid saved

1 medium clove garlic, crushed with a garlic press or back of a knife

1 teaspoon lemon juice

¼ teaspoon salt

1 tablespoon vegetable oil

2 tablespoons creamy peanut butter (optional)

¼ teaspoon cumin (optional)

## **Directions**

- 1. Before starting to prepare the recipe:
  - a. Wash the veggies, and slice them into pieces that are easy to dip.
  - b. Drain chickpeas, but save the liquid in a small bowl.
  - c. Collect, chop, and measure all ingredients.
- 2. For the smoothest consistency, add garbanzo beans, garlic, lemon juice, salt, vegetable oil, peanut butter (if using), and cumin (if using) to a blender. Leave the garbanzo bean liquid aside.
- 3. Blend on low speed, gradually adding the garbanzo bean liquid 1 tablespoon at a time until smooth and creamy.\*
- 4. Serve with vegetables arranged on a plate around a bowl of the hummus.
- 5. Refrigerate leftovers within 2 hours. Eat within 3 to 5 days.
- \* If you do not have a blender, use the back of a fork to mash the beans, add other ingredients, and stir in garbanzo bean liquid to desired consistency. The hummus will be chunkier if prepared this way.

**Be creative!** Serve with crackers or chips or on your favorite sandwich.



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