



# **Mixed Fruit, Canned**

MyPlate Food Group: Fruit

## **Nutrition Information**

- 1 cup of canned mixed fruit counts as 1 cup of fruit in the ChooseMyPlate.gov Fruit group.
- Mixed fruit is naturally low in fat, sodium, and calories. Fruit does not have cholesterol.
- Canned mixed fruit contains many vitamins and minerals that are important for your body.
- For specific information about canned mixed fruit, please refer to the product's Nutrition Facts Panel or ingredient list.

## **Uses & Tips**

- Canned mixed fruit is a great way to add fruit in your diet when fresh fruits are not available.
- Canned mixed fruit does not need to be cooked or heated, it can be eaten right away.
- Canned mixed fruit can be used to add sweetness to other foods. For example, it can be added to plain yogurt or oatmeal.
- Mixed fruit can be added to muffins, quick breads, and other baked goods to add flavor and additional nutrients.

## **MyPlate Facts**

- Fiber from whole fruit helps keep your heart healthy and helps to reduce cholesterol.
- Fiber is important for bowel function and helps prevent constipation. Eating a diet full of fruits and vegetables may reduce the risk for heart disease and may also help prevent some cancers.
- Swap high-calorie foods such as chips andbaked goods with a low calorie food likefruit. Making this swap often helps tomaintain a healthy weight.

### **Storing Foods at Home**

- Store unopened canned mixed fruit in a cool, clean, and dry place.
- After opening, take any unused mixed fruit out of the can and store it in a tightly covered container in the refrigerator.





## **Easy Fruit Salad**

#### Makes 4 servings

#### Ingredients:

- 1 can mixed fruit, unsweetened
- 1 can pineapple chunks, canned in juice
- 1 red apple
- 1 orange
- 1 container (8 ounces) vanilla yogurt, low-fat
- 1 tablespoon honey

Directions: Wash hands with soap and water.

- Open the cans of mixed fruit and pineapple with the can opener. Pour both cans into the colander over a bowl to drain.
- 2. Using a knife, cut the apple into 4 sections and remove the core and seeds.
- 3. Wash and peel the orange and separate the orange segments. Cut each segment in half and remove all the seeds.
- 4. Put the yogurt and honey in the mixing bowl. Stir with the spoon until mixed. Add the drained fruit, pineapple, apple, and or-ange. Stir with the spoon until mixed.
- 5. Serve cold.

## Slow Cooker Sweet and Sour Pork

### Makes 6 servings

# Ingredients:2 pounds boneless pork shoulder roast,

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- 2 red or green bell pepper, chopped
- 1 large onion, chopped
- 1 can mixed fruit
- 1/3 cup cider vinegar
- ½ cup soy sauce
- 3 tablespoons ketchup
- 3 cloves garlic, minced
- Brown rice (optional)
- Toasted sesame seeds (optional)

Directions: Wash hands with soap and water.

- Coat a large skillet with non-stick cooking spray.
  Heat skillet over medium-high heat. Brown meat in a hot skillet and transfer it to a 4-quart slow cooker.
   Top meat with bell peppers and onion.
- 2. Drain mixed fruit, reserving syrup. Cover fruit and refrigerate until needed. Combine reserved syrup, vinegar, soy sauce, ketchup, and garlic in a small bowl. Pour over meat and vegetables in slow cooker.
- 3. Cover and cook 8 -10 hours on LOW or 4 - $4\frac{1}{2}$  hours on HIGH. Stir in fruit cocktail. Serve pork over hot cooked brown rice and sprinkle with sesame seeds, if desired.