# RECIPE BOOK



# HEALTHY LIVING LADIES TALK

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### Menu

Item	Details
Sandwiches	Chicken and
	walnut
	Cucumber and
	lettuce
	Cheese and
	cherry tomato
	Salmon
	Cold meat
Muffins	Carrot
	Date
Scones	Plain
	(wholemeal)
Dips	Eggplant
	Beetroot
	Olive
	Yogurt
Vegies to go with dip	Carrot
	Celery
	Cucumber
	Crackers
Chicken Squares	
Tuna Bake	
Bowl of grapes	

### **Date Muffins**

#### **Ingredients:**

1 cups walnuts/pecans/almonds

2 cups all bran flakes

½ cup oil

1 ½ cups flour (brown/white)

2 tsp bi-carb

2 cups dates

1 cup nutty wheat/ Weet – bix

2 eggs

2 cups milk

1 tsp vanilla essence (optional)

Pinch of salt

#### Method:

- 1. Mix all ingredients together.
- 2. Bake at 180 degrees Celsius for 15-20 mins.

### **Carrot Muffins**

#### **Ingredients**

#### Α.

2 ½ cups plain flour

1 ½ tsp bicarbonate of soda

1 tsp salt

2 tsp baking powder

3 tsp cinnamon

#### **B.**

1 ½ cups sugar

1 1/2 cups oil

4 eggs

#### <u>C.</u>

2 cups grated carrot

½ a cup pecan nuts

250g pineapple drained and crushed

#### Method:

- 1. Beat B well, add C to B. Then add A.
- 2. Bake at 180 degrees Celsius for 45mins until browned.

#### **Topping**

3. 125g butter + 250g cream cheese + 500g icing sugar beat well.

### Scones

#### **Ingredients:**

4 cups (500g) self-raising flour

1 1/4 cup (300mls) fresh cream

1 cup (250mls) soda water

#### Method:

- 1. Preheat the oven to 220 deg.
- 2. Line a baking tray with baking paper.
- 3. Sift the flour into a bowl, make a well in the centre, and pour in cream and soda water.
- 4. Mix to make a firm dough.
- 5. Roll the dough out and cut with a scone cutter.
- 6. Arrange closely on a baking tray and bake until golden brown, about 12 minutes.
- 7. Optional: add some tasty cheese, fresh herbs or semi-dried tomatoes for a 'savoury scone

### Baba Ganoush Dip

#### Ingredients:

1 large eggplant

1 crushed clove of garlic

¼ cup lemon juice

3 tab tahini

1 tsp salt

3 tsp olive oil

#### Topping:

2 tab lemon juice 2 tsp olive oil

#### Method:

- 1. Preheat oven to 375 degrees and bake eggplant for 30 minutes, or until outside is crisp and inside is soft.
- 2. Allow to cool for 20 minutes.
- 3. Cut open eggplant and scoop out the flesh into colander and allow to drain for 10 minutes.
- 4. Removing the excess liquid helps to eliminate a bitter flavour.
- 5. Place eggplant flesh in a medium bowl. Add remaining ingredients and mash together. You can also use a food processor and pulse for about 2 minutes.
- 6. Place in serving bowl and top with lemon juice and olive oil. Add other garnish according to taste.
- 7. Serve with warm or toasted pita, flatbread or Turkish bread **Garnishing Ideas for Baba Ganoush**

Baba Ganoush always has to have olive oil on top for garnish. However you can spice things up a bit by adding crushed red pepper, a dash of cumin, parsley or coriander.

# Beetroot Dip:

#### Ingredients:

 $1 \times 450 g$  can baby beetroot, drained, and coarsely chopped 250g (1 cup) Greek-style yoghurt

2 tbsp fresh lemon juice

1 tsp ground cumin

1 tsp ground coriander

Salt & freshly ground black pepper

Kurrajong Kitchens Lavosh crisps, to serve

#### Method:

- 1. Combine ingredients thoroughly in a bowl.
- 2. Taste and season with salt and pepper.
- 3. Serve in bowl with Lavosh crisps.

# Olive Dip:

#### Ingredients:

- (8 ounce) package cream cheese, softened
- 1/2 cup reduced-fat sour cream
- 1 (4 1/4 ounce) can chopped black olives
- 1/4 cup finely chopped onion
- 1/4 teaspoon garlic powder
- 1/4 teaspoon cayenne pepper, to taste

#### Method:

- 1. Mix everything together until thoroughly blended.
- 2. Serve or chill until ready to serve.

# Tzatziki (Yoghurt dip)

#### **Ingredients:**

500g (2 cups) plain Greek-style yoghurt

1 telegraph cucumber, peeled, halved, seeded

1 large garlic clove, crushed

1 tbsp finely chopped fresh chives

2 tbsp olive oil

1 1/2 tbsp fresh lemon juice

Salt, to taste

#### Method:

- 1. Place yoghurt in a sieve lined with muslin over a bowl and stand for 5-10 minutes to allow the excess whey to drain away.
- 2. Place yoghurt in a bowl and discard the whey.
- 3. Meanwhile, coarsely grate the cucumber and squeeze out excess moisture with your hands.
- 4. Combine yoghurt, cucumber, garlic, chives, olive oil and lemon juice in a bowl and mix well.
- 5. Season with salt.
- 6. Cover and place in fridge for a day before serving to allow flavours to develop.
- 7. Serve with the warm flat bread, marinated feta and marinated olives garnished with fresh herbs of your choice.

### Tuna Bake

#### Ingredients:

2 tins Tuna, any flavour but I prefer the mustard. (in brine or spring water if you watching your weight

remembering to drain out the

liquid)

1 green pepper finely diced 1 large onion finely diced

¼ cup olive oil

10ml lemon juice

3 eggs

5 ml lemon pepper ½ cup of cheese

2 tsp ground green chillies

1 tsp garlic flakes

½ cup milk

1 cup sifted chana/besan flour

1 tsp baking powder

Salt to taste

Chopped spinach (optional)

#### Method:

- 1. Beat together eggs and milk and add remaining ingredients.
- Set half the mixture in an oven proof casserole dish, layer with the chopped spinach and top with remaining half of the mixture.
- 3. Sprinkle with slivered almonds, sesame seeds or poppy seeds or a mixture of all of the above, dot with butter and bake at 180 degrees until light brown.
- 4. Cut into squares and serve hot with a sauce or lemon wedges as an entrée or with salad as a light lunch.

### Chicken Squares

#### Ingredients:

- 1. 500g chicken fillet, finely cubed
- 2. 1 tsp ground green chillies
- 3. 1 tsp salt
- 4. 1 tsp lemon pepper
- 5. 2 tab lemon juice
- 6. 1 tab olive oil
- 7. 1 ¼ low fat milk
- 8. 4 slices of brown/light rye bread
- 9. 2 eggs
- 10. 2tsp baking powder

#### Method:

- 1. Combine milk and beaten eggs and soak bread in this mixture.
- 2. Braise chicken in olive oil with ingredients 2 to 6, cook over medium heat until chicken is tender and mixture is dry.
- 3. Combine both the mixtures with a hand beater, beating for approx 30 seconds, lastly add baking powder.
- 4. Pour mixture into a greased ovenproof dish, or muffin pans, sprinkle with kus kus, sesame seeds and slivered almonds and bake at 180degrees for approx half an hour.
- 5. Cut into squares and serve warm with chutneys

### Sandwiches variations

Using Bread of your choice, fill with any of the below toppings:

- 1. Cold meat
- 2. Salmon
- 3. Cheese and cherry tomato
- 4. Cucumber and lettuce
- 5. Chicken and walnut