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Summer Fresh Strawberry and Avocado Salad

by Jennifer Puri

Avocado is a large berry with a single seed and has much more fat than other fruit. Grown mostly in Central America and Mexico avocado trees can live up to 400 years.

Avocados have yellow or green flesh, a nutty flavour and are very popular in vegetarian cuisine. They are considered "heart-friendly" as their fat is monounsaturated plus they are gluten and cholesterol free and contain vitamins B, E, K, omega three fats, and potassium.

Loaded with fibre, avocados can be added to smoothies, used as a substitute for meat in salads and sandwiches, and as a spread on tortillas or sushi.

The flesh of avocados can be prevented from browning by adding lime or lemon juice. Avocado slices can be added to hamburgers, soups or served with fresh strawberries and spinach leaves as shown in this recipe for Summer Fresh Strawberry and Avocado Salad.

Prep Time: 15 minutes

Servings: 3 to 4

Ingredients:

- 150 gm fresh spinach leaves
- 500 gm fresh strawberries cut in halves
- 2 avocados



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- 1/2 small red onion, finely sliced
- ¹/₂ cup shredded almonds
- ¹/₂ cup olive oil
- 1 tbsp. grainy Dijon mustard
- 2 tbsps. maple syrup
- 1 tbsp. lemon juice
- ¹/₂ tsp. salt
- ¼ tsp. coarsely ground black pepper

Directions:

- Prepare dressing by combining the olive oil, Dijon mustard, maple syrup, lemon juice, salt and black pepper in a small bowl or jar, blend well and set aside.
- Place the washed spinach, strawberries, and sliced onion in a large bowl. Peel the avocados, remove the seeds, slice, and add to the salad mixture. Drizzle with the prepared dressing and gently toss until all the ingredients are combined. Garnish with shaved almonds and serve.

Bon Appétit!



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SAFE AND SOUND

Heat Related Illness

by Alberta Health Services

EMS would like to remind everyone to stay safe in the heat and sun this season. While children and the elderly may be more susceptible to the effects of heat and sun, basic prevention measures should be taken by all to avoid a heat related illness during periods of hot and humid weather.

Heat Exhaustion

- Heat exhaustion can occur due to excessive fluid loss during periods of prolonged sweating in a hot and/or humid environment (indoors or outdoors).
- Patients may suffer headaches, weakness, fatigue, nausea/vomiting, thirst, chills, and profuse sweating.
- The patient is usually cold and damp to the touch and the skin may appear pale or dusky gray.

Heat Stroke

- Heat stroke is a medical emergency which, without prompt treatment, could be fatal.
- It occurs when the body can't cool itself naturally (e.g., perspiration). The body's temperature will continue to rise to dangerous levels.
- Due to severe dehydration and the inability to sweat, the patient may appear flushed, and skin may be hot and dry to the touch.

First Aid

- First aid for all heat related illness begins with removing or sheltering the patient from the hot environment.
- Remove excess, or tight-fitting clothing, and allow them to rest in a cool environment.
- If the patient is conscious and alert, provide suitable fluids such as water, juice, or a sports drink.



• If you are concerned, seek medical attention.

Prevention

- Stay well-hydrated by drinking plenty of water at all times.
- Be aware that excessive alcohol consumption will promote dehydration.
- Always wear a broad brimmed hat to keep the sun off your face and neck.
- Apply a broad spectrum, waterproof sunscreen with a minimum SPF of 30+, especially for children. The sun's UV rays peak between 11:00 am and 3:00 pm, even on cloudy days.



News from the **Friends of Nose Hill**

by Anne Burke

The guided free Nose Hill Flower Walk on Tuesday, July 9 at 7:00 pm will meet at the parking lot on 14 Street and 64 Avenue NW. You are also invited to another exciting plan for a pair of weed pulls at the south-end of Nose Hill by the Winter Club, on Saturday, July 13 and Sunday, July 21 from 9:00 to 11:30 am. The Nose Hill ecologist (and rew.phelps@calgary.ca) says, for dense infestations, that early season pulling allows for a more effective application of herbicide throughout the whole plant later. July and early August are the busiest times to catch many weed species before they go to seed. Events are booked early to beat the heat. Jim Davis, the Program Coordinator for Activations and Education for Calgary Parks and Open Spaces, will assist and said to let him know of any guestions at jim.davis@calgary. ca. He wrote: "Yes, we have been working to schedule two volunteer projects to address Canada and Notting Thistle at Nose Hill Park. The current plan is to start at 9:00 am on both days, ending around 11:30 am. We will be meeting at the Park's parking lot at the corner of the Winter Club and working on the south-end of the park, moving clockwise to the west/north. The event is open to up to twenty volunteers working alongside a couple of Parks' staff who will give safety and task demos and bring all required tools. Prospective volunteers should wear closed-toe shoes and long pants, clothing suitable for weather conditions that day, and bring gloves if they have them. We also will have gloves available. Parks' staff will map the event, track weed removals, and drop them at a designated facility".

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