Anatomy of a Salad

Essential nutrients are vital for disease prevention, growth, and good health. A healthy salad is an easy way to get these essential nutrients.



Lettuce Base

Choose the lettuce type(s) of your choice. Mix a crunchy lettuce like romaine with softer lettuces like spring mix. Add some bite with arugula.

Grains

Be daring and select a grain! Healthy grains include quinoa, brown rice, couscous and wild rice.





Vegetables

Load up on all the vegetables! Try to select one color each from the rainbow.





Fruit

Do you like a little sweet with your savory? Consider adding fruit to your salad. This can also include dried fruit such as raisins!



Protein

Protein is an important addition if salad is your main meal. Protein consumption provides esssential amino acids which are necessary for important body functions.

Extras

This is the time to add all the fun stuff like nuts & seeds and dressings. For a quick and healthy dressing, try 3 parts of a flavored olive oil and 1 part flavored vinegar.



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