BLATs (Bacon-Lettuce-Avocado-Tomato Sandwiches)

Makes 4 servings- 342 calories per serving

Ingredients

8 slices center cut bacon, halved
1 ripe medium avocado
2 table spoons of basil
1 tablespoon mayonnaise or plain Greek
yogurt
½ teaspoon finely grated or minced garlic
¼ teaspoon salt
¼ teaspoon ground pepper
8 slices wheat bread
1 medium tomato, cut into 8 slices
4 romaine leaves



Directions

-Cook the bacon in a large skillet over medium heat until crisp, 5 to 10 minutes. Transfer to a paper towel-lined plate

-Mash avocado in medium bowl. Stir in basil, mayonnaise (or Greek yogurt), garlic, salt and pepper. Toast the bread.

-Spread about two teaspoons of avocado mixture on 4 slices of toast. Top each with 4 pieces of bacon, 2 slices, 1 lettuce leaf, and the remaining toast.

Pimiento Cheese

Makes 1 ½ cups- 49 calories per 2 tablespoon serving

Ingredients

1 ½ cups of shredded reduced-fat sharp cheddar cheese
¼ cup low-fat mayonnaise
1 4-oz jar sliced pimientos, drained and chopped
2 table spoons minced scallions
Hot sauce to taste (optional)



Directions

-Combine cheese, mayonnaise, pimientos, scallions, and hot sauce (if using) in a medium bowl.

Sweet Southern Egg Salad

Makes 4 servings- 132 calories per ¾ cup serving

Ingredients

3 tablespoons nonfat plain Greek yogurt
3 tablespoons low-fat mayonnaise
2 teaspoons mustard
¼ teaspoon freshly ground pepper
1/8 teaspoon salt
8 hard-boiled eggs
½ cup thinly sliced celery
¼ cup chopped sweet gherkin pickles
3 tablespoons chopped sweet onion



Directions

- Combine yogurt, mayonnaise, mustard, pepper and salt in a medium bowl.

-Halve eggs and discard 4 of the yolks. Add whites and the remaining 4 yolks to the bowl and mash to desired consistency. Gently stir in celery, pickles and onion.

Mini Mushroom & Sausage Quiches

Makes 1 dozen- 90 calories per quiche

Ingredients

8oz turkey breakfast sausage, removed from casing and crumbled into small pieces
1 teaspoon extra-virgin olive oil
8oz mushrooms, sliced
¼ cup sliced scallions
¼ cup shredded Swiss cheese
1 teaspoon freshly ground pepper
5 eggs
3 egg whites
1 cup 1% milk



Directions

- position rack in the center of the oven and preheat to 325°F. Coat a nonstick muffin tin generously with cooking spray.

-Heat large nonstick skillet over medium-high heat. Add sausage and cook until golden brown, 6-8 minutes. Transfer to a bowl to cool.

-Add oil to the pan. Add mushrooms and cook, stirring often, until golden brown, 5-7 minutes. Transfer mushrooms into bowl with sausage. Let cool for 5 minutes. Stir in scallions, cheese and pepper.

-Whisk eggs, egg whites, and milk in a medium bowl. Divide egg mixture evenly among prepared muffin cups. Sprinkle a heaping tablespoon of sausage mixture into each cup. -Bake until the tops are just beginning to brown, 25 minutes. Let cool on a wire rack for 5 minutes. Place rack on top of the pan, flip it over and turn the quiches out onto the rack. Turn upright and let them cool completely.

Smokehouse Ranch Parfaits

Ingredients

16oz nonfat plain yogurt
1 packet ranch dressing mix
1 chicken breast, fully cooked, cooled, diced
¼ cup barbeque sauce
12 celery sticks
12 carrot sticks
¾ cup shredded cheddar cheese

Directions

- Place yogurt and dressing seasoning mix in mixing bowl.

- Mix with wire whisk until well combined. Set aside.

-Place chicken and barbeque sauce in separate bowl; toss to coat the chicken. Set aside. -Place 2 tablespoons of yogurt mixture into parfait cups. Place carrots and celery around the perimeter of the cup into the yogurt so they stand up, 2-3 of each. Place 2 tablespoons of chicken mixture on top of the yogurt. Place 1 tablespoon of cheese on top of chicken. Place 2 tablespoons of yogurt mixture on top of cheese.

- Cover with lid and refrigerate.



Jerk Chicken Shaker Salad

Ingredients

5oz whole grain rotini, cooked, rinsed with cold water and chilled 15oz black beans, seasoned with southwest seasoning mix 2 tablespoons Caribbean jerk seasoning mix ?1 sweet red bell pepper, diced ½ carrots, shredded 1 chicken breast, cooked, diced and chilled 2-3 green onions, sliced



Directions

- Season beans with jerk seasoning and set aside.

-To prepare each cup, Place ¼ cup rotini on the bottom. Top with 2 tablespoons of season black beans. Add 2 tablespoons of diced chicken. Add 2 tablespoons red peppers and 2 tablespoons of chopped green onions.

-Cover and refrigerate.