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# **Food and Fitness**

# FUN WAYS TO HYDRATE IN THE SUMMER

It is getting hot outside, and getting enough water in the body to stay hydrated is very important. The general rule of thumb is to drink water whenever you are feeling thirsty. Water is one of the best ways to stay hydrated, but the



fact is, water is found in many forms of beverages and foods.

Hydrating can be drinking fun beverages while also eating certain foods that contain water, and lets face it, drinking just plain water to stay hydrated isn't for everyone. There are many options for hydrating and getting enough water than just drinking plain water alone.

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### FUN WAYS TO HYDRATE IN THE SUMMER

Water can be drinking many types of beverages. Now beverages with a high sugar content are not the ones we are talking about here. Water paired with added sugars are not a great option to hydrate. Drinks like coffee, tea , real fruit juice are a great way to get water as long as they are not loaded with added



sugar. A lightly sweetened coffee, black tea and green tea, no matter if they are hot or cold, will do. Fruit juice, in moderation, when made from real fruit, is another option. Fruit juice can be frozen into a refreshing popsicle for a cool treat.

Flavoring water can be another good option. Some people really enjoy infused water. Infusing water can be done with fruits, vegetables, and herbs. An example would be cucumber and mint water. You can cut them and add them to water or place them into an ice tray and make fancy ice cubes. They also make flavoring that can be added to water or even machines that add in some bubbles (carbonation).

Now maybe you are a fan of plain water and just need some help drinking more. A good way is to create a challenge. Find a friend who you can create a drinking challenge with, not that you are trying to see who can drink more water but more as a motivational check in. Sometimes having a decorated or motivational water bottle can also help and taking that bottle everywhere you go.

Not only is water in our drinks, but water is also in the foods we eat. Fruits and vegetables are a great way to get more water. Not only does eating more provide great health benefits but it is also great for hydration. You can even turn them into a smoothie with other added ingredients. Another food containing water is soup which also helps with hydration.

In the summer months, it is easier to become dehydrated. Mix up your methods of hydrating to keep it fun.

# Surprising Ways to Stay Hydrated



Consume more fruits and vegetables daily



Hydrate with a cold soup



Make a smoothie out of your favorite fruits and greens



Drink iced coffee or tea



Infuse water with refreshing fruits



Get a pretty water bottle to motivate hydration



Eat a popsicle

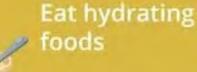


Compete with a friend and track your water intake together



Fill a pitcherof water for the day









### FRUIT-RASPBERRY

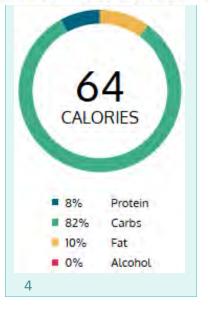
Raspberries are native to Europe and northern Asia. Raspberries can be found all across North America in all temperate zones.

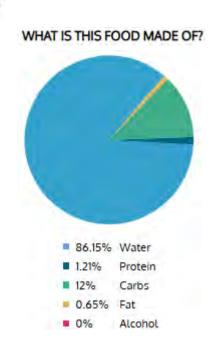
Raspberries are pretty easy to grow and are often found growing wild. Raspberries can be red, blackpurple, or even a yellowish gold color. The most common color in the US is red. Often people will confuse the dark purple raspberries for being black berries.

Raspberries are small berries that have a sweet flavor that is packed with juice. They can be eaten fresh or cooked in many different recipes.

Raspberries are a great source of dietary fiber. They contain minerals such as manganese, copper, magnesium, iron, and zinc. As for vitamins, they have notable amounts of vitamin C, vitamin B5, vitamin K, vitamin E, and folate.

### WHERE DO THE CALORIES COME FROM?





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Weight	123g	
Calcium	30.8mg	2%
Iron, Fe	0.85mg	5%
Potassium, K	185.7mg	4%
Magnesium	27.lmg	6%
Phosphorus, P	35.7mg	3%
Sodium	1.2mg	0%
Zinc, Zn	0.52mg	5%
Copper, Cu	0.11mg	12%
Manganese	0.82mg	36%
Selenium, Se	0.25mcg	0%

### Minerals

### NUTRITION FACTS

### Raspberries

Raspberries, raw

#### Serving Size:



# Nutrition Facts

Serving Size

1 cup (123g)

# Calories

64

	% Daily Value *
Total Fat 0.8g	1%
Saturated Fat 0.02g	0%
Trans Fat Og	
Cholesterol Omg	0%
Sodium 1.2mg	0%
Total Carbohydrate 14.7g	5%
Dietary Fiber 8g	29%
Total Sugars 5.4g	11%
Includes g Added Sugars	%
Protein 1.5g	3%
Vitamin C 32.2mg	36%
Vitamin D 0mcg	0%
Iron 0.85mg	5%
Calcium 30.8mg	2%
Potassium 185.7mg	4%
Phosphorus 35.7mg	3%
*The % Daily Value (DV) tells you how r	nuch a nutrient in a

serving of food contributes to a daily diet. 2,000 calories a day is used for general nutrition advice. -- = missing data %DV Weight 123q Vitamin A, RAE 2.5mcg 0% Vitamin C 32.2mg 36% Thiamin (BI) 0.04mg 3% Riboflavin (B2) 0.05mg 4% Niacin (B3) 0.74mg 5% Vitamin B5 (PA) 8% 0.4mg Vitamin B6 0.07mg 4% Biotin --mcg Folate (B9) 25.8mcg 6% Folic acid 0% Omcg 6% Food Folate 25.8mcg Folate DFE 25.8mcg 6% Choline 3% 15.1mg Vitamin B12 0% Omcg Retinol Omcg Carotene, beta 14.8mcg 0% 0% Carotene, alpha 19.7mcg 0% Cryptoxanthin, beta Omcg Vitamin A, IU 40.6IU Lycopene Omcg Lut + Zeaxanthin 167.3mcg Vitamin E 7% 1.1mg Vitamin D 0% Omcg Vitamin D2 --mcg Vitamin D3 --mcg 0% Vitamin D (IU) OU Vitamin K 9.6mcg 8%

Vitamins

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### RECIPE—LIGHT AND REFRESHING FROYO BERRY BITES

### Ingredients

- 1/4 cup crushed almonds
- 2 tablespoons sugar
- 2 tablespoons butter, melted
- 3/4 cup Greek yogurt, low-fat, plain
- 2 tablespoons honey
- 11/2 cups of fresh raspberries and/or strawberries



# *Recipe Received adapted:* <u>FroYo Berry Bites | Delightfully Light and Re</u><u>freshing Treats (skinnyms.com)</u>

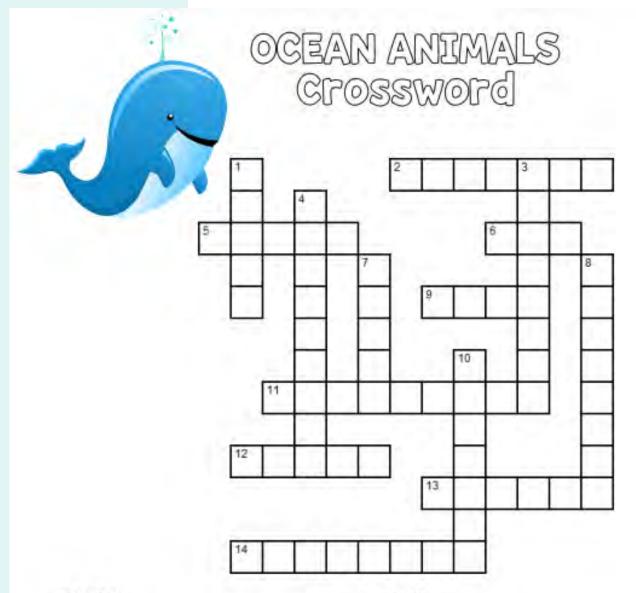
### Instructions

- 1. Line a 6-cup muffin tin with silicon or parchment cupcake liners, or add directly to nonstick muffin tin.
- 2. In a small bowl, stir together crushed almonds, sugar, and butter. Spoon a small amount into the bottom of each muffin cup.
- 3. In a medium bowl, mix together yogurt and honey. Spoon 2 tablespoons into each muffin cup, covering the crust .
- 4. Top with fresh chopped berries. Freeze until firm, about 6 hours. To serve, remove from silicone wrapper and allow to set at room temperature for 8-10 minutes. Enjoy!

Notes: Any kind of yogurt can work with this recipe. If using a yogurt that is already flavored, just omit the honey.

### **BRAIN EXERCISE**

### DON'T JUST EXERCISE YOUR BODY, WORKOUT YOUR BRAIN!



#### ACROSS

fat layer that keeps some marine mammals warm

5, fish use these to breathe oxygen from the water

6. name for a group of whales

9. ocean dwellers that lay eggs and have bones

11. what a shark has instead of bones

- 12. a shark has several rows of these
- 13. what younger whales are called

14. marine animals with soft bodies and no backbone

### DOWN

- 1. small creatures that look like shrimp
- 3. how a whale or dolphin breathes
- 4. largest animal in the world
- 7. bioluminescent animals make their own
- 8. clams, oysters and scallops are all . . .

10, ocean dwellers that birth live babies and nurse their young



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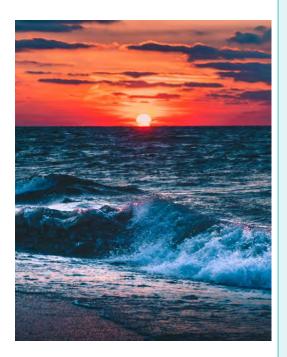
August	20	24
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Mountain Climbing Day	2 Interna- tional Beer Day	3 National Watermel- on Day
4 Friendship Day	5 National Oyster Day	6 National Fresh Breath Day	7 National Light- house Day	8 Interna- tional Cat Day	9 Book Lover's Day	10 National S'mores Day
11 Son and Daughter Day	12 National Vinyl Rec- ord Day	13 Left Hander's Day	14 National Creamsi- cle Day	15 Tomatoes Galore Day	16 National Tell a Joke Day	17 National Thrift shop Day
18 National Fajita Day	19 National Potato Day	20 National Radio Day	21 Senior Citizen's Day	22 Be an An- gel Day	23 Ride the Wind Day	24 National Waffle Day
25 National Banana Split Day	26 National Dog Day	27 Just Because Day	28 Stuffed Green Pep- pers Day	29 More Herbs, ess Salt Day	30 Toasted Marsh- mallow Day	31 Interna- tional Ba- con Day

## **August Monthly Observations**

- Admit You're Happy Month
- Family Fun Month
- Golf Month
- Happiness Month
- International Pirate Month
- National Catfish Month

- National Eye Exam Month
- Peach Month
- Picnic Month
- Romance Awareness Month
- Water Quality Month



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