

## **Orzo Pasta Salad**

8 Servings (½ Cup Each) (16 Sample Servings ¼ Cup)

- 1 Cup Orzo Pasta
- 4 Cups Water
- 3 Cloves of chopped Garlic
- ½ cup diced Red Onion
- ½ Cup diced Yellow Bell Pepper
- ½ Cup diced Red Bell Pepper
- 1/4 Cup chopped Fresh Basil
- 2 Tablespoons fresh Lemon Juice
- 1/2 Cup Fat Free Mayonnaise
- 2 Tablespoons Dijon Mustard
- 2 Teaspoons Garlic Powder

Salt and Pepper to taste

(You can add sliced olives, chopped tomato, chopped cucumber, chopped celery, chopped eggs, pine nuts, cheese or anything else you may desire.)

\*\*\*You can substitute Plain Nonfat Yogurt for the Fat Free Mayonnaise\*\*\*

## Directions:

- 1) Boil 4 cups water and add the orzo pasta to cook. Cook the orzo on high for 8-10 minutes or until the orzo is soft to chew.
- 2) Drain the orzo and rinse in cold water to cool.
- 3) Stir together the cooked orzo, garlic, onion, bell peppers and basil in a large bowl.
- 4) In a small bowl combine the lemon juice, mayonnaise and dijon mustard to make a dressing.
- 5) Stir the dressing into the orzo pasta mixture and combine well.
- 6) Season the pasta salad with the garlic powder and salt and pepper to taste.

Calories 52; carbohydrates 11g; protein 2g; fat 0g; saturated fat 0g; trans fat 0g; cholesterol 0mg; fiber 0g; sodium 107mg; calcium 7mg; iron 0mg; folate 30 mcg; percent calories from fat 0%.