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NUTRITION FOR LIFE with BARBARA MENDEZ R.Ph M.S.

Simple Detoxification Practices

Sample Detox Day

Upon arising: The juice of half a lemon in a mug of warm water

Followed by a cup of Jasmine Green tea

Breakfast: Protein Smoothie: Rice based protein powder with ½ cup organic blueberries, 1/3 banana, 6 frozen cherries, a handful of fresh baby spinach, I tablespoon flax seed oil (do not leave this out...it helps maintain a balanced blood sugar) and 8 to 10 ounces of water

Mid-morning snack: 10 organic almonds

Lunch: Large mixed green salad (add greens such as arugula, spinach and mesclun greens), ¼ cup kidney or black beans, cilantro or other preferred herb (dill goes well in salad), handful of pumpkin seeds, 1/4 avocado, chopped asparagus, scallions, tomatoes and cucumber. Dress with extra virgin olive oil and lemon juice

Mid-afternoon snack: Creamy Spring Asparagus soup

Dinner: Grilled or baked wild Alaskan salmon, ½ cup of cooked brown rice, side of broccoli and salad

Creamy Spring Asparagus Soup (Serves 4)

- I teaspoon Olive oil
- I bunch (I lb.) of asparagus
- I large leek, white part only 1/3 cup plain almond milk (optional)
- I quart vegetable broth
- salt and pepper to taste

Trim leek and cut in half lengthwise. Rinse out any dirt trapped inside and slice into I inch pieces. Place olive oil in a large saucepan over low heat, then saute leek for 5–10 minutes until tender. Add vegetable broth and bring to a boil. Trim asparagus, cutting off the bottom inch and peeling any stalks that seem tough or food processor or blender until smooth (be careful when blending hot liquids in a blender. Blend in small batches). Return to saucepan and bring back to a boil. Remove from heat and whisk in plain almond milk. Season with salt and pepper.



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Include:

Start the day with Juice of half a lemon in warm water.

Bitter Greens, such as Arugula, Dandelion Greens, Broccoli Raab.

Include Apple Cider Vinegar with Olive Oil as salad dressing.

Asparagus & Garlic

Cruciferous Vegetables, such as Cauliflower, Radishes, Cabbage, Bok Choy

Drink Plenty of Water!

Include Green Tea and Milk-Thistle Tea

Get 30 Minutes of Daily Exercise and Fresh Air. If vigorous exercise is not possible on some days, then a brisk walk around the block or dancing around inside is beneficial!