Southwestern Chicken and Macaroni Salad

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Servings: 10

2 poblano peppers, halved lengthwise 1 package (25 ounce) frozen fully cooked crispy chicken strips 8 ounces large elbow macaroni 1/2 package (8 ounce) cream cheese, softened

1 can (7 ounce) salsa taquera 1 avocado, halved, pitted, peeled, thinly sliced and coarsely chopped Preparation Time: 18 minutes Roast: 20 minutes

Preheat the oven to 450 degrees.

Line a baking sheet with heavy-duty foil. Place the peppers on the baking sheet, cut sides down. Roast for 20 to 25 minutes or until the skin is blistered and charred. Bring the foil up around the peppers and fold the edges together to enclose. Let stand 15 minutes or until cool enough to handle. Using a sharp knife, loosen the edges of the skins. Gently pull off the skins and discard. Chop the peppers.

Meanwhile, cook the chicken and macaroni according to package directions. Drain the pasta and rinse well under cold water. Set aside. Cut the chicken into 1/2-inch thick pieces.

In a large bowl, combine the cream cheese and half of the salsa. Beat with an electric mixer on low speed until smooth. Gradually beat in the remaining salsa.

Add the chopped peppers and macaroni. Toss to combine.

Gently fold in the avocado and chicken.

Serve at once or chill up to two hours.

Per Serving (excluding unknown items): 78 Calories; 7g Fat (78.4% calories from fat); 2g Protein; 3g Carbohydrate; 1g Dietary Fiber; 13mg Cholesterol; 37mg Sodium. Exchanges: 0 Lean Meat; 0 Vegetable; 0 Fruit; 1 1/2 Fat.

Chicken, Pasta, Salads

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Calories (kcal):	78	Vitamin B6 (mg):	.1mg
% Calories from Fat:	78.4%	Vitamin B12 (mcg):	trace
% Calories from Carbohydrates:	14.3%	Thiamin B1 (mg):	trace
% Calories from Protein:	7.4%	Riboflavin B2 (mg):	.1mg
Total Fat (g):	7g	Folacin (mcg):	17mcg
Saturated Fat (g):	3g	Niacin (mg):	1mg
Monounsaturated Fat (g):	3g	Caffeine (mg):	0mg
Polyunsaturated Fat (g):	1g	Alcohol (kcal):	0 % n n
Cholesterol (mg):	13mg		
Carbohydrate (g):	3g	Food Exchanges	
Dietary Fiber (g):	1g	Grain (Starch):	0
Protein (g):	2g	Lean Meat:	0
Sodium (mg):	37mg	Vegetable:	0
Potassium (mg):	175mg	Fruit:	0
Calcium (mg):	14mg	Non-Fat Milk:	0
Iron (mg):	trace	Fat:	1 1/2
Zinc (mg):	trace	Other Carbohydrates:	0
Vitamin C (mg):	31mg	·	
Vitamin A (i.u.):	381IŬ		
Vitamin A (r.e.):	71 1/2RE		

Nutrition Facts

Servings per Recipe: 10

Amount Per Serving			
Calories 78	Calories from Fat: 61		
	% Daily Values		
Total Fat 7g Saturated Fat 3g Cholesterol 13mg Sodium 37mg Total Carbohydrates 3g Dietary Fiber 1g Protein 2g	11% 15% 4% 2% 1% 3%		
Vitamin A Vitamin C Calcium Iron	8% 51% 1% 3%		

^{*} Percent Daily Values are based on a 2000 calorie diet.