Suitland Dine & Learn February 2018: Heart Health for your Sweetheart

Tabbouleh with Chicken and Red Pepper Courtesy of Chef Nadine of Nutrition Synergies, LLC

Ingredients

- ½ cup uncooked bulgur
- ½ cup boiling water
- 1 ½ cup diced plum tomato
- ¾ cup shredded cooked chicken breast
- ¾ cup minced fresh flat-leaf parsley

- ½ cup finely chopped red bell pepper
- ½ cup diced English cucumber
- ¼ cup minced fresh mint
- 1 ½ tablespoons fresh lemon juice
- 1 tablespoon extra-virgin olive oil
- ½ teaspoon salt

Directions

- Combine bulgur and 1/2 cup boiling water in a large bowl. Cover and let stand 15 minutes or until the bulgur is tender. Drain well; return bulgur to bowl. Cool.
- 2. Add tomato and remaining ingredients; toss well.

Nutrition Information

Serving Size: approx. 1 1/4 cup

Calories: 150

Amount Per Serving

Total Fat: 4.7 g Cholesterol: 22 mg Sodium: 326 mg **Total Carbs:** 16.9 g **Dietary Fiber**: 4.5 g **Protein:** 11.2 g



HEALTH TIPS

Bulgur is a whole grain, not to be confused with cracked wheat. Whole grains are naturally **high-fiber**, **low-fat**, and **low-calorie**. This vegetarian and vegan ingredient contains wheat, which means it is **not** suitable for gluten-free diets, but it can be easily substituted with

another whole grain, quinoa. Bulgur is parboiled, or pre-cooked, which makes it quick and easy to prepare. You can take it up a notch by adding other-heart healthy foods such as the other tabbouleh ingredients or stir-fry vegetables and salmon, which is high in vitamins, minerals, protein, and fatty-acids.