

Our Featured Recipes

BLT Pasta Salad

Bacon, "lettuce" and Tomato Pasta Salad – this salad can be made the traditional way eaten with a fork and plate or make it "car friendly" by using Jumbo pasta shells and stuffing them for a delicious handheld treat.

Hummus Veggie Wraps

Hummus on a whole wheat tortilla or soft taco boat with bell peppers, carrots and cucumbers add a fresh crunch to a nice lunch when traveling. Healthy, tastier and cheaper than the fast food chains along the road.

Cooler packing Tips

Space in the cooler is always a problem so multitask what you put in there.

- Freeze half bottles of water so you when you add more water it has its own built in ice cube. The frozen bottles also keep other items in you cooler cold.
- Freeze fruits. Grapes are a great fruit to take on a road trip. Freeze them the night before and place them in baggies, you have "ice" in your cooler keeping other items cold and when they thaw out you have another refreshing treat.
- ື Juices can be frozen in containers, again acting as "ice" then thawed as a nice fresh, healthy beverage.
- Throw away those wet wipes. Freeze soaked wash clothes and place them in baggies. You have a cold refreshing towel that will keep other items cold in the cooler and clean up sticky messes.

BLT Pasta Salad

1 lb of bow tie or spiral pasta*

1 cup zesty Italian salad dressing

 $\frac{1}{2}$ cup creamy ranch dressing (optional)

1 lb precooked bacon cut into small pieces

2 large tomatoes, diced or grape tomatoes 10 leaves of romaine or spinach, chopped

1/3 cup red onion, diced

Salt and pepper to taste

Cook your past until al dente in salted water.

Drain and rinse under cold water to cool it down. You can also cook the pasta the day before and toss it with a little olive oil so it does not stick together and refrigerate.

In a large bowl add pasta, dressings and mix well to completely coat all the pasta.

Add bacon, onion, tomato and lettuce (or spinach), mix well and season to taste.

Chill until you are ready to pack and go.

*If you want to avoid forks and plates on the road you can easily make this a handheld treat by using Jumbo Pasta shells. Just mix all the other ingredients together. Boil the jumbo shells and then stuff them with the BLT mix.

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