Cuisinart

INSTRUCTION AND RECIPE BOOKLET



Smart Stick® Variable Speed Hand Blender

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For your safety and continued enjoyment of this product, always read the instruction book carefully before using.

IMPORTANT SAFEGUARDS

When using an electrical appliance, especially when children are present, basic safety precautions should always be taken, including the following:

1. READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS.

- Unplug from outlet when not in use, before putting on or taking off parts, and before cleaning. To unplug, grasp plug and pull from electrical outlet. Never pull cord.
- 3. To protect against electric shock, do not put the motor body, cord or electrical plug of this hand blender in water or other liquids. Only the detachable blending shaft and other certain parts of this appliance have been designed for immersion into water or other liquids. Never submerge any other portion of this unit. If hand blender falls into liquid, remove immediately. Do not reach into the liquid without unplugging the unit first.
- 4. This appliance should not be used by children. To avoid possible accidental injury, close supervision is necessary when any appliance is used by or near children or individuals with certain disabilities.
- 5. Avoid contact with moving parts.
- 6. During operation, keep hands, hair and clothing, as well as spatulas and other utensils, away from attachments and any mixing container to reduce risk of injury to persons and/or damage to the appliance. A spatula may be used, but must be used only when the unit is not operating.
- 7. Do not operate any appliance with a damaged cord or plug, or after the appliance has malfunctioned or has been dropped or damaged in any way or is not operating properly. Return the appliance to the nearest Cuisinart Repair Center for examination, repair, or mechanical or electrical adjustment.
- 8. Remove detachable shaft from the motor body before washing the blades or shaft.
- Blades are SHARP. Handle carefully when removing, inserting or cleaning. Exercise the same care when removing or inserting the cutting blade, or reversing disc for the food processor attachment.
- 10. When mixing liquids, especially hot liquids, use a tall container or mix small quantities at a time to reduce spillage, splattering and the possibility of injury from burning.
- 11. To reduce the risk of injury, never place chopper/grinder attachment cutting blade on base without first putting work bowl properly in place.
- 12. Be certain the food processor attachment cover is securely locked in place before operating appliance. Do not attempt to remove cover until blade has stopped rotating.

- 13. Check work bowl for presence of foreign objects before using.
- 14. The use of attachments or accessories not recommended by Cuisinart may cause fire, electric shock, or risk of injury.
- 15. Do not use outdoors or for other than its intended use.
- 16. Do not let any cord hang over the edge of the table or counter. Do not let cord contact hot surfaces, including stovetop.
- 17. Make sure the appliance is off, the motor has stopped completely, and the appliance is unplugged from outlet before putting on or taking off attachments, and before cleaning.
- Maximum rating is based on the 300W chopper/grinder attachment that draws the greatest power.
- 19. Do not operate your appliance in an appliance garage or under a wall cabinet. When storing in an appliance garage, always unplug the unit from the electrical outlet. Not doing so could create a risk of fire, especially if the appliance touches the walls of the garage or the door touches the unit as it closes.

SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS FOR HOUSEHOLD USE ONLY

NOTICE

This appliance has a polarized plug (one blade is wider than the other). As a safety feature, this plug will fit in a polarized outlet only one way. If the plug does not fit fully in the outlet, reverse the plug. If it still does not fit, contact a qualified electrician. Do not attempt to defeat this safety feature.

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UNPACKING INSTRUCTIONS

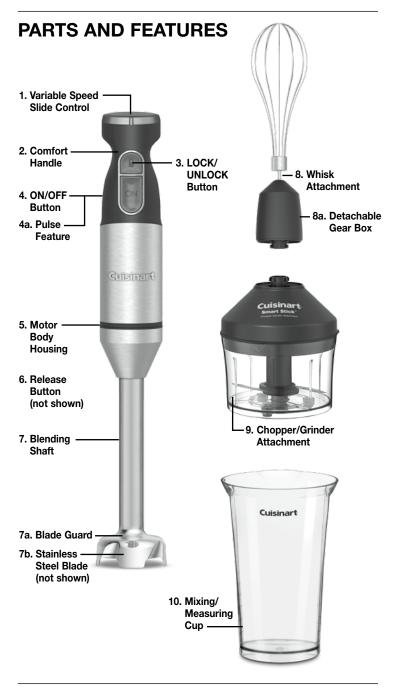
Place the package containing the Cuisinart® Smart Stick® Variable Speed Hand Blender on a sturdy surface. Unpack the hand blender from its box by removing the upper protective insert. Gently slide the unit from the box. Remove all support materials from the box and replace the upper insert. Save packaging for possible repacking of the unit.

NOTE: The blending blade is extremely sharp.

Before using the Cuisinart® Smart Stick® Variable Speed Hand Blender for the first time, we recommend that you wipe the motor body housing with a clean, damp cloth to remove any dirt or dust. Dry it thoroughly with a soft, absorbent cloth. Handling it carefully, wash the detachable blending shaft with fixed-mount blade and the whisk by hand. Dry thoroughly before use. Read all instructions completely for detailed operating procedures.

PARTS AND FEATURES

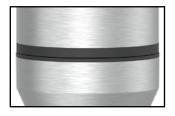
- Variable Speed Slide Control: Lets you adjust speed from low to high for the ingredients you are blending.
- Comfort Handle: The ergonomic handle allows you to maneuver the hand blender with ease.
- LOCK/UNLOCK Button: Must be pressed to unlock before power handle will operate.
- 4. **ON/OFF Button:** Simply press and hold down the button to blend. Once the button is released, blending will stop.
 - Pulse Feature: Repeatedly press and release the ON/OFF button to PULSE (while holding down the LOCK/UNLOCK button).
- Motor Body Housing: Powers the blender. Release button in back makes it easy to attach and detach blending shaft and whisk assembly.
- 6. Release Button: (not shown)
- 7. Detachable Blending Shaft
 - 7a. Blade Guard: Snaps into the motor body housing. The fixed-mount stainless blade is partially covered by a stainless guard to keep splatter to a minimum.
 - 7b. Stainless Steel Blade
- Whisk Attachment: Whisk attachment snaps into the gearbox which connects to the motor body housing. The whisk is great for whipping cream, egg whites and other delectable treats.
 - 8a. Detachable Gear Box: Whisk attaches to it.
- Chopper/Grinder Attachment with Reversible Blade: Chop, mince and grind with the Cuisinart® chopper/grinder attachment. Chopper/grinder attaches to the motor body in place of the blending shaft or whisk attachment.
- Mixing/Measuring Cup: 3-cup (24 oz.) mixing cup is top-rack dishwasher safe. Use this container to blend drinks, shakes, salad dressings and more. Designed for easy gripping and dripfree pouring.



ASSEMBLY

BLENDING ATTACHMENT

 Align the motor body housing with the blending shaft and push the pieces together until you hear and feel them click together. It may be helpful to press the release button when assembling.



2. Plug the power cord of the hand blender into an electrical outlet.



CHOPPER/GRINDER ATTACHMENT

- Connect the motor body housing to the top of the work bowl cover.
- Align the spine in the chopper/grinder cover's drive shaft with the ribbed opening on the underside of the motor body housing.
- When aligned properly, slide the two pieces together until you feel and hear a slight click.







CHOPPER/GRINDER ATTACHMENT

- Place the chopping/grinding blade into center of the work bowl over metal blade shaft.
- Place the motor body housing with cover on top of the work bowl and rotate clockwise to lock into place.
- Plug the power cord of the hand blender into an electrical outlet.





WHISK ATTACHMENT

 Align the motor body housing with the assembled whisk attachment and push the pieces together until you hear and feel them click together. It may be helpful to press the release button when assembling.

NOTE: Whisk and whisk gearbox are detachable from one another.



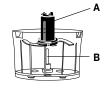


REVERSIBLE BLADE

The Cuisinart® Smart Stick® Variable Speed Hand Blender chopper/ grinder attachment is equipped with a reversible blade. This blade is sharp on one side and blunt on the other. The blade is attached to a plastic ring that slides over the plastic blade sheath, so it can be easily turned over to select the appropriate blade. To reverse the blade, see detailed instructions on page 10. Also see Frequent Uses for Chopper/Grinder (page 16).

Assemble the parts:

- Place the work bowl on a flat, dry, stable surface near an electrical outlet with the same specifications as the hand blender.
- The fully assembled two-piece metal blade assembly (A) should be attached to the bottom of the work bowl. If not, slide it onto the metal shaft (B) in the bowl.



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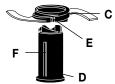
IF METAL BLADE RING (C) HAS NOT BEEN ATTACHED TO PLASTIC SHEATH (D), OR TO SAFELY REASSEMBLE BLADE ASSEMBLY AFTER USE AND CLEANING, CAREFULLY FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS:

Assembling the Blade Ring

ALWAYS HOLD THE BLADE RING BY THE CENTRAL HUB'S HOLDING GRIPS (E). DO NOT TOUCH THE RAZOR-SHARP BI ADES!

To assemble using base of bowl to turn blade:

- Turn work bowl upside down and stand the sheath (D) on the raised round nub in the center of bowl bottom.
- Place the metal blade ring (C) over the sheath, lining up the two notches in the interior of the center hub with the two ridges (F) on either side of the sheath. Let the blade ring slide to the bottom of the sheath.





- Grasp the top of the sheath firmly and turn counterclockwise to lock the blade into place on the sheath. The three rubberized nubs will guide the blade ring without you needing to touch it.
- 4. To remove the blade from the sheath, stand the metal blade assembly on the overturned work bowl and turn the sheath clockwise to unlock the blade. Holding the central hub by the grips, carefully lift the blade ring off the sheath.

To assemble turning blade by hand:

 Carefully place the metal blade ring (C) over the sheath (D), lining up the two notches in the interior of the center hub with the two

- ridges (F) on either side of the sheath. Let the blade ring slide to bottom of sheath.
- Grasp the top of the sheath firmly and, holding the grips (E) on the central hub of the blade ring, turn the blade ring clockwise to lock it into place on the sheath.
- To remove the blade from the sheath, hold the sheath firmly and holding the central hub by the grips, turn the blade ring counterclockwise to unlock it and carefully lift it off the sheath.

TWO-WAY CUTTING BLADE

(See section on Frequent Uses for Chopper/Grinder, page 16, to learn which side of blade – SHARP or DULL – is best for what you are prepping.)

SHARP – Place blade ring over plastic blade sheath so the word "SHARP" is on top side of blade.



DULL – Place blade ring over plastic blade sheath so **no writing** is on top of blade.



OPERATION



 Press and hold the LOCK/UNLOCK button.



Then press and hold the ON/OFF button.



 Release the LOCK/ UNLOCK button while continuing to hold down the ON/OFF button.

No need to keep holding down the LOCK/UNLOCK button once the blender is operating.

BLENDING

The specially designed blade blends, mixes and purées all kinds of foods, including salad dressings, thick smoothies, powdered drink products, soups and sauces. It can also be used to emulsify mayonnaise.

This blade is designed to add minimal air to your mixture. A gentle up-and-down motion lets you achieve the most flavorful, full-bodied results. Be careful never to remove the blending shaft from the liquid while in operation.

- 1. Connect the blending shaft to the motor body housing.
- 2. Plug electrical cord into a wall socket.
- 3. Immerse the blade end of blending shaft into mixture to be blended. You can blend in the mixing cup, bowl, pot, saucepan or pitcher.
- Turn the variable speed slide to the speed recommended in your recipe. NOTE: You can change the blending speed while blending.
- 5. To turn the blender on:

See Operation, illustrations 1, 2, 3 above.

- 1. Press and hold the LOCK/UNLOCK button.
- 2. Then press and hold the ON/OFF button.
- 3. Release the LOCK/UNLOCK button while continuing to hold down the ON/OFF button.

NOTE: Do not continuously blend for longer than 60 seconds. Release ON/OFF button for 20–30 seconds between 60-second blending cycles.

6. Unplug immediately after use.

TO PULSE

- 1. Press and hold the LOCK/UNLOCK button.
- 2. Then press and hold the ON/OFF button.
- Repeatedly press and release the ON/OFF button while continuing to hold down the LOCK/UNLOCK button to PULSE until ingredients reach desired consistency.

WHISKING

- Insert the whisk assembly into the motor body. (See Assembly for Whisk Attachment, page 8.)
- 2. Plug electrical cord into a wall socket.
- 3 Put the whisk into mixture that will be whisked
- Turn the variable speed slide to the desired speed.
 To begin whisking, follow the instructions in #5 under OPERATION BLENDING.
- 5. Unplug immediately after use.

CHOPPING/GRINDING

- Place the work bowl firmly on a flat, sturdy surface like a countertop.
- 2. Put food in the work bowl. Be sure the food is cut into small pieces (½ to 1 inch), and the bowl is not overloaded.
- Put the work bowl cover on top of the work bowl. Be sure the cover is properly seated.
- Turn the variable speed slide to the desired speed. To begin processing, follow the instructions in #5 under OPERATION BLENDING (unplug immediately after use).

NOTE: Due to the powerful motor provided with this unit, Cuisinart recommends using one hand to support the work bowl during operation.

- When you have finished processing the food, stop the unit by releasing the ON/OFF button.
- 6. WHEN THE BLADE STOPS MOVING, unplug the unit.
- 7. Remove the motor body with the cover from the work bowl.
- Carefully remove the chopping blade, holding it by the gripping ridges on the plastic sheath. NEVER TOUCH THE BLADE ITSELF.
- 9. Remove food from work bowl with a kitchen tool.

NOTE: Do not operate the chopper/grinder attachment without food contents in the work bowl.

CLEANING AND MAINTENANCE MOTOR BODY AND BLENDING SHAFT

Unplug the Smart Stick® before cleaning. Clean the motor body and blending shaft thoroughly after using. Remove the blending shaft from the motor body. Clean the motor body only with a sponge or damp cloth. Do not use abrasive cleaners that could scratch the surface. To clean the blending shaft, wash by hand in hot water, using mild detergent. Be mindful of the fixed, razor-sharp edges.

Do not put the motor body or blending shaft in the dishwasher.

CHOPPER/GRINDER ATTACHMENT

To simplify cleaning, rinse the work bowl, blade and cover immediately after use so that food won't dry on them. Do not submerge the work bowl cover in water or put in the dishwasher. Wash chopping blade and work bowl in warm, soapy water. Rinse and dry. Wipe the underside of the cover with a sponge or damp cloth to remove any food. Wash the blade carefully. Avoid leaving it in soapy water where it may disappear from sight.

You can wash the work bowl and chopping blade on the top shelf of your dishwasher. Unload the dishwasher carefully to avoid contact with the sharp blade. Wipe the motor body and top of the cover with a damp sponge or cloth. Dry it immediately. **Never submerge the motor body or the cover in water or other liquids.** The chopper/grinder attachment is intended for **HOUSEHOLD USE ONLY**.

WHISK ATTACHMENT

To clean your whisk attachment, simply release the attachment from the motor body housing. Once the whisk is removed, detach the metal whisk from the gearbox by pulling the pieces apart. To clean the gearbox, simply wipe with a damp cloth. To clean the metal whisk, wash with warm, soapy water or put in the top shelf of the dishwasher.

Do not submerge the gearbox in water or any other liquids.

Any service, other than cleaning and normal user maintenance, should be performed by an authorized Cuisinart Service Representative.

TIPS AND HINTS

FOR HAND BLENDER

- When blending in the mixing cup, pour liquid ingredients in first, unless recipe instructs otherwise.
- When blending into mixing cup, for example, when making a fruit smoothie, cut most solid foods into ½-inch pieces for easy blending.
- Be sure that blending blade guard is fully submerged before blending ingredients.
- Do not attempt to blend fruit pits, bones or other hard materials, as these are liable to damage the blades.

- Do not fill mixing containers too full. The level of mixture will rise when blending and can overflow.
- Liquid should not come closer than 1 inch of where the shaft attaches to the motor housing.
- Using a gentle up-and-down motion is the best way to blend and incorporate ingredients uniformly.
- To whip air into a mixture, always hold the blade just under the surface.
- When using a nonstick cooking surface, be careful not to scratch the coating with the hand blender.
- To purée a soup, use the hand blender to blend the soup ingredients to the desired consistency using a gentle up-and-down motion right in the saucepan or pot.
- When blending ingredients right in a pot or pan, tilt the pan away from you to create a deeper area for blending to prevent splatter.
- Do not let hand blender stand in a hot pot on stove while not in use.
- Use the hand blender to make smooth gravies and pan sauces.
- The hand blender is perfect for frothing milk for cappuccino or lattes. Just warm milk in a small saucepan, and then pulse the hand blender gently, being sure to keep the blending blade guard fully submerged.
- Do not immerse motor body housing in water or any other liquids.

FOR WHISK ATTACHMENT

- Do not immerse whisk attachment gearbox in water or any other liquids.
- Use the whisk attachment for beating heavy cream or egg whites.
- When beating egg whites, use a very clean metal or glass bowl, never plastic. Plastic can contain hidden oils and fats that can ruin the delicate egg-white foam. To help stabilize the egg whites, add 1/8 teaspoon of cream of tartar per egg white prior to beating them. (If using a copper bowl, omit the cream of tartar.) Beat the egg whites until desired peaks form.
- When adding sugar to beaten egg whites, add it slowly when soft peaks just begin to form, and then continue beating to form desired peaks.
- Beating the egg whites too long causes them to dry out and become less stable.
- When beating heavy cream, if possible and time allows, use a chilled bowl and chill the whisk attachment. The best shaped bowl for whipping cream is one that is deep with a rounded bottom to minimize any splatter.
- The cream should come out of the refrigerator just before whipping.
 Whipped cream may be used at either soft or firm peaks, depending on preference. It may be flavored as desired. For best results, whip cream just before using.
- It may also be used for any task that you would normally whisk by hand, like crêpe batters or eggs for omelets.

FOR FOOD CHOPPER/GRINDER ATTACHMENT

- Do not overload work bowl. For best results, most foods should not reach more than % of the way up the work bowl.
- \bullet Liquids in work bowl should not exceed 1½ cups. Use quantities given in the recipe section as a guide.
- For raw ingredients: Peel, core and/or remove seeds and pits. Food should be between ½ and 1 inch, depending on hardness of the food.
- The size of pieces you put in bowl should be about the same size to achieve even results.
- Do not attempt to chop fruit pits, bones or other hard materials, as these are liable to damage the blades.
- Pulse food in 1-second increments to chop. For the finest chop, process continuously. Watch ingredients closely to achieve desired consistency and scrape the work bowl as necessary.
- Do not operate chopper/grinder attachment for more than 30 seconds continuously.
- When making compound butters, remove the butter from the refrigerator and let it come to room temperature before blending the ingredients.
- Some spices may scratch the work bowl.
- Do not immerse food processor cover in water or any other liquids.

FREQUENT USES FOR CHOPPER/GRINDER

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Ingredient	Suggested	Speed	Comments
	Blade		
Baby foods (always consult a pediatrician or family physician for appropriate food recommendations)	Sharp Blade	Low- High	Place small amounts of cooked foods into chopper/grinder bowl. Add small amount of appropriate liquid. Pulse to chop, then hold to blend.
Bread Crumbs fresh or dry (day old)	Sharp Blade	High	Pulse to chop, then process until desired consistency is reached.
Hard Cheese (Asiago, Locatelli, Parmesan, Romano, etc.) (Not recommended for softer cheeses unless making a dip or dressing)	Sharp Blade	High	Cut into ¼-inch pieces. Pulse to chop, then process until desired consistency is reached.
Chocolate	Sharp Blade	High	Cut into ½-inch pieces; may chill in freezer for 3 minutes before chopping. Pulse to chop, then process, no more than 1 ounce at a time, until desired texture is reached.
Creamy Dressings and Dips	Sharp Blade	Low	Place ingredients in chopper/grinder bowl; do not cover or spill on stem. Use pulse action to chop, then continuous-hold action to blend to desired consistency.
Garlic (peeled)	Sharp Blade	High	Up to 6 cloves. Pulse to chop.
Ginger (fresh)	Sharp Blade	High	Peel, cut into ½-inch pieces. Pulse to chop ½ ounce at a time.
Hard Spices (coriander, cloves, anise, etc.)	Dull Blade	High	Pulse to chop until desired consistency. Pulse with sharp blade to get fine results.
Herbs (fresh)	Sharp Blade	High	½ cup maximum; must be clean/dry. Pulse to chop.
Nuts	Dull Blade	High	Shelled; toast first for best flavor. Pulse to chop, process up to 1/s cup at a time, until desired consistency is reached. May be processed to nut-butter stage.
Onion	Sharp Blade	High	Peel, cut into ½-inch pieces. Pulse to chop, up to ½ cup at a time, until desired chop is reached.
Vegetables (cooked)	Sharp Blade	Low- High	Cut into ½- to 1-inch pieces; pulse to chop, up to ½ cup at a time. Add cooking liquid, stock or water to process to a puree. It is not recommended for making mashed potatoes.
Vegetables (uncooked)	Sharp Blade	High	Peel as needed; cut into ½-inch pieces. Chop/process up to ½ cup at a time.
Meat (raw for grinding)	Sharp Blade	High	6 oz. or 175g, cut into ½-inch pieces. Pulse until desired consistency.
Simple Blending	Dull Blade	Low- High	For light mixing and incorporating.

SMOOTHIES AND DRINKS

Simple Fruit Smoothie

This recipe works great with any type of fruit or juice.

Makes 16 Ounces

- ½ cup juice (use your favorite)
 ½ banana, cut into 1-inch pieces
 cups mixed fruit, fresh or frozen
- 1. Put all ingredients, in the order listed, into the mixing cup.
- Using the blending shaft, start blending on Medium, gradually increasing to High until smooth, about 30–45 seconds.
- 3. Serve immediately.

Nutritional information per serving (8 ounces):
Calories 112 (4% from fat) • carb. 28g • pro. 1g • fat 1g • sat. fat 0g
• chol. 0mg • sod. 6mg • calc. 16mg • fiber 3g

Breakfast Shake for the Road

Nutrition in a cup! Make this smoothie in the morning for breakfast on the road.

Makes about 16 ounces

- ½ cup juice (use your favorite)
- 1/2 cup low-fat yogurt
- 1/2 cup peach pieces (fresh or frozen, cut into ½-inch pieces)
- 1/4 cup blueberries
- 1 tablespoon ground flax seeds (optional)
- 1 frozen banana, cut into ½-inch pieces
- 1. Put all ingredients, in the order listed, into the mixing cup.
- 2. Using the blending shaft, start blending on Medium, gradually increasing to High until smooth, about 30–45 seconds.
- 3. Serve immediately.

Nutritional information per serving (8 ounces):
Calories 181 (11% from fat) • carb. 38g • pro. 4g • fat 2g • sat. fat 0g
• chol. 4mg • sod. 43mg • calc. 111mg • fiber 4g

Power Blast Protein Smoothie

Blend this for a post-workout pick-me-up.

Makes about 16 ounces

- ½ cup coconut milk
- 1/₃ cup low-fat yogurt
- 2 tablespoons protein powder
- 1 banana, cut into ½-inch pieces
- 1 cup mango pieces (½-inch pieces)
- 1/2 cup pineapple pieces (1/2-inch pieces)
- 1. Put all ingredients, in the order listed, into the mixing cup.
- 2. Using the blending shaft, start blending on Medium, gradually increasing to High until smooth, about 30–45 seconds.
- 3. Serve immediately.

Nutritional information per serving (8 ounces): Calories 270 (40% from fat) • carb. 38g • pro. 6g • fat 13g • sat. fat 11g chol. 5mg • sod. 68mg • calc. 89mg • fiber 4g

Cherry Ginger Smoothie

Coconut milk beverage is made for drinking, and has fewer calories and grams of fat than canned coconut milk. For a thicker, creamier drink, substitute \(\frac{4}{3} \) cup canned coconut milk for the coconut milk beverage.

Makes about 1 cup

- 1 cup dark, sweet, frozen cherries
- 34 cup coconut milk beverage
- 1 ½-inch piece fresh ginger, peeled
- 1. Put all ingredients, in the order listed, into the mixing cup.
- Using the blending shaft, start blending on Medium, gradually increasing to High until smooth, about 30–45 seconds.
- 3. Serve immediately.

Nutritional information per serving (1 cup): Calories 128 (23% from fat) • carb. 24g • pro. 1g • fat 3g • sat. fat 3g chol. 0mg • sod. 1mg • calc. 1mg • fiber 4g

Chocolate Peanut Butter Ice Cream Shake

This will satisfy your sweet tooth.

Makes 2 cups

- 11/2 cups chocolate ice cream
- 2 teaspoons creamy peanut butter
- 1 teaspoon chocolate syrup
- 34 cup whole milk
- 1. Put all ingredients, in the order listed, into the mixing cup.
- 2. Using the blending shaft, blend on Low, using a gentle up-and-down motion, until smooth and homogenous, about 30–40 seconds.
- 3. Serve immediately.

Nutritional information per serving (½ cup): Calories 156 (46% from fat) • carb. 18g • pro. 4g • fat 8g • sat. fat 5g chol. 23mg • sod. 69mg • calc. 112mg • fiber 1g

Mango Lassi

Adjust the amount of sugar in this recipe based on your personal preference and the ripeness of your mango—riper mangoes are sweeter.

Makes 2 cups

- 4 ice cubes
- 1 ripe mango, peeled, pitted and cut into ½-inch pieces
- 11/2 cups plain, whole-milk yogurt
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cardamom
- ½ teaspoon ground cinnamon Pinch kosher salt
 - Pinch Kosher sait
- 3 teaspoons granulated sugar, divided
- Put the ice cubes, mango, yogurt, spices and salt into the mixing cup.
- Using the blending shaft, start blending on Medium, gradually increasing to High until smooth, about 1 minute.
- Taste and add sugar, 1 teaspoon at a time, blending after each addition, until desired sweetness is reached.
- 4. Serve immediately.

NOTE: If a thinner drink is desired, add cold water, a tablespoon or two at a time, blending after each addition, until desired consistency is achieved.

Nutritional information per serving (1 cup):
Calories 223 (25% from fat) • carb. 34g • pro. 9g • fat 6g • sat. fat 4g
chol. 23mg • sod. 181mg • calc. 319mg • fiber 2g

Watermelon-Mint Refresher

This summery drink doesn't require any extra liquid to blend—the watermelon is watery enough.

Makes 2 cups

- 1 cup frozen strawberries
- 1 tablespoon fresh mint leaves
- 2 cups chopped watermelon, cut into ½-inch pieces
- 1. Put all ingredients, in the order listed, into the mixing cup.
- 2. Using the blending shaft, start blending on Medium, gradually increasing to High until smooth, about 30–45 seconds.
- 3. Serve immediately.

Nutritional information per serving (1 cup):
Calories 75 (10% from fat) • carb. 18g • pro. 1g • fat 1g • sat. fat 0g
• chol. 0mg • sod. 5mg • calc. 24mg • fiber 2g

Mayonnaise/Aioli

A hefty amount of garlic transforms this mayonnaise recipe into aioli, a dip traditionally used for crudités. Like mayonnaise, it can also be used to top burgers, fish and crab cakes.

Makes 1 cup

- 2 garlic cloves, peeled (if making aioli)
- 2 large egg yolks
- 2 tablespoons fresh lemon juice
- 1 to 2 pinches kosher salt
- 1 tablespoon Dijon mustard
- 1⅓ cups vegetable oil
- Put all ingredients (omitting the garlic if making mayonnaise), in the order listed, into the mixing cup. Allow to sit for about 30 seconds to 1 minute.
- Insert the blending shaft into the mixing cup so that the blade guard touches the bottom of the cup. Blend on Low, keeping the blade on the bottom. Once the ingredients thicken and start to emulsify, continue processing, using a gentle up-and-down motion, until thick and all of the oil is completely incorporated.
- Taste and adjust seasoning as desired.

Nutritional information per serving (1 tablespoon, Mayonnaise):
Calories 169 (98% from fat) • carb. 0g • pro. 0g • fat 19g • sat. fat 2g
• chol. 23mg • sod. 32mg • calc. 3mg • fiber 0g

Nutritional information per serving (1 tablespoon, Aioli):
Calories 169 (98% from fat) • carb. 1g • pro. 0g • fat 19g • sat. fat 3g
• chol. 23mg • sod. 33mg • calc. 4mg • fiber 0g

Hollandaise

Using a hand blender makes this tricky-to-make sauce a no-fuss recipe that you will want to put on top of more than just poached eggs.

Makes about 1 cup

- 4 large egg volks
- 1 tablespoon fresh lemon juice
- 34 teaspoon kosher salt
- 1/2 pound (2 sticks) unsalted butter, melted and kept slightly warm (not hot)

Warm water, as needed

- Put the egg yolks, lemon juice and salt into the mixing cup. Slowly pour the warm butter into the cup, carefully leaving any white milk solids on the bottom of the pot behind. Allow to rest for about 1 minute.
- Insert the blending shaft into the cup so that the blade guard touches the bottom of the cup. Blend on Low, keeping the blade on the bottom. Once the ingredients thicken and start to emulsify, continue processing, using a gentle up-and-down motion, until thick and all the ingredients are incorporated.
- If sauce is too thick, blend in warm water, 1 teaspoon at a time, until desired consistency is achieved (approximately 2 tablespoons total).
- 4. Taste and adjust seasoning as desired. Serve immediately or transfer to a double boiler to keep warm.

Nutritional information per serving (2 tablespoons):
Calories 230 (97% from fat) • carb. 0g • pro. 1g • fat 25g • sat. fat 15g
• chol. 153mg • sod. 218mg • calc. 11mg • fiber 0g

Basic Vinaigrette

Use this recipe as a guide for making various combinations. Simple additions, like fresh or dried herbs, citrus or honey, can make a new dressing every time.

Makes about 1 cup

- 1/4 cup wine vinegar (any variety will work)
- 1 teaspoon Dijon mustard
- ½ teaspoon kosher salt
- 1/8 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
- 34 cup extra virgin olive oil
- 1. Put all ingredients, in the order listed, into the mixing cup.
- Using the blending shaft, blend on Low, keeping the blade guard completely submerged, until the mixture starts to emulsify. Continue processing, using a gentle up-and-down motion, until homogenous, about 30 seconds.
- 3. Taste and adjust seasoning as desired.

Nutritional information per serving (2 tablespoons):
Calories 181 (100% from fat) • carb. 0g • pro. 0g • fat 21g • sat. fat 3g
• chol. 0mg • sod. 91mg • calc. 0mg • fiber 0g

Mango Salsa

Serve alongside warm tortilla chips or over grilled chicken, fish or pork.

The fresh flavors will brighten any simple meal.

Makes about 1 cup

- 1 garlic clove, peeled
- 1/4 jalapeño, seeded and halved
- 1 green onion, cut into ½-inch pieces
- 1 tablespoon packed cilantro leaves
- 1 cup grape tomatoes, halved
- ½ cup chopped mango (½-inch pieces)
- 1/4 teaspoon kosher salt
 - Pinch freshly ground black pepper
- 1 teaspoon fresh lime juice
- Put the garlic, jalapeño, green onion and cilantro into the chopping cup. Pulse on High to chop, about 6 to 8 times. Transfer to a medium bowl.
- Add grape tomatoes and mango to chopping cup. Pulse again on High to roughly chop, about 5 to 6 times. Transfer to bowl with other chopped items. Add salt, pepper and lime juice; stir.
- 3. Taste and adjust seasoning as desired. Strain if necessary.

Nutritional information per serving (¼ cup):
Calories 23 (6% from fat) • carb. 6g • pro. 1g • fat 0g • sat. fat 0g
• chol. 0mg • sod. 137mg • calc. 15mg • fiber 1g

Guacamole

This popular Mexican specialty is delicious with chips and vegetable crudités, or as a topping for grilled chicken or fish.

Makes about 1 cup

- 1 garlic clove, peeled
- ½ jalapeño, seeded and guartered
- 1/4 cup grape tomatoes
- 1 ripe avocado, halved and pitted
- 1 teaspoon fresh lime juice
- 1/2 teaspoon kosher salt
- Put the garlic and jalapeño into the chopping cup. Process on High for 5 seconds to chop. Add the tomatoes and pulse 2 to 3 times to chop. Add the remaining ingredients and pulse on High until desired consistency is achieved.
- 2. Taste and adjust seasoning as desired.

Nutritional information per serving (2 tablespoons):
Calories 30 (72% from fat) • carb. 2g • pro. 0g • fat 3g • sat. fat 0g
• chol. 0mg • sod. 144mg • calc. 4mg • fiber 1g

Hummus

This hummus is delicious

on its own, but also makes a great foundation for new flavor variations like roasted pepper or fresh herbs.

Makes about 2 cups

- 1 garlic clove, peeled
- 1 can (15.5 ounces) chickpeas, drained and rinsed
- ½ cup tahini
- 2 tablespoons fresh lemon juice
- 3/4 teaspoon kosher salt, or to taste Pinch ground cumin
- 1/2 cup water (plus more if needed)
- Put the garlic clove into the chopping cup and process on High until finely chopped, about 5 to 10 seconds; scrape bowl. Add the remaining ingredients and process on High until fully smooth, about 1 minute.
- Taste and adjust seasoning as desired. If a thinner consistency is desired, add additional water, or olive oil for a richer tasting hummus.

Nutritional information per serving (2 tablespoons):
Calories 71 (47% from fat) • carb. 7g • pro. 3g • fat 4g • sat. fat 1g
• chol. 0mg • sod. 119mg • calc. 45mg • fiber 2g

Roasted Red Pepper and Tomato Sauce

This is a very versatile sauce. It is equally great over grilled chicken or a bowl of pasta.

Makes about 4 cups

- 2 teaspoons olive oil
- 1 medium onion, cut into ½-inch pieces
- 1 medium carrot, cut into ½-inch pieces
- 1 medium celery stalk, cut into ½-inch pieces
- 2 garlic cloves
- 1 teaspoon dried basil
- ⅓ cup dry white wine or vermouth
- 3 roasted red peppers (jarred and packed in vinegar), cut into 1/2-inch pieces
- 2 tablespoons tomato paste
- 2 cans (15 ounces each) diced tomatoes, with juices
- 34 teaspoon kosher salt
- 1/4 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
- 1/8 teaspoon crushed red pepper flakes, or to taste
- Put the olive oil in a medium saucepan set over medium heat. Once hot, add the onion, carrot, celery, garlic and basil. Partially cover and cook until vegetables are softened but not browned, about 6 to 8

minutes. Add the wine/vermouth, stirring to deglaze the pan (picking up the brown bits from the bottom of the pan and working into the mixture); let cook until fully evaporated. Add remaining ingredients. Increase heat to bring to a boil, then reduce the heat to allow to simmer, partially covered, for about 35 to 40 minutes. Uncover and then simmer for an additional 15 to 20 minutes to thicken.

- Remove from heat and using the blending shaft, blend on Low gradually increasing to Medium until sauce is puréed. If using a larger saucepan, tilt the pan to the side away from you to ensure that the blade guard is fully submerged to prevent splatter.
- 3. Taste and adjust seasoning as desired.

Nutritional information per serving (¼ cup):
Calories 29 (18% from fat) • carb. 5g • pro. 1g • fat 1g • sat. fat 0g
• chol. 0mg • sod. 216mg • calc. 15mg • fiber 1g

Black Bean Soup

This soup gets its rich texture from *not* rinsing the beans; the starchy liquid from the can is used to thicken the soup.

Makes about 6 cups

- 2 garlic cloves, finely chopped
- ½ medium onion, finely chopped
- 1 jalapeño, seeded and finely chopped
- 1 red bell pepper, finely chopped
- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 11/4 teaspoons kosher salt, divided
- 1 bay leaf
- 1 teaspoon ground cumin
- 3 cans (15 ounces each) black beans, not drained
- 1 cup chicken broth, low sodium
- 1 teaspoon red wine vinegar
 Crème fraîche or plain, whole-milk yogurt for serving
 Cilantro, chopped, for serving
 Tortilla chips for serving
- Put the garlic, onion and jalapeño into the chopping cup. Pulse to finely chop. Remove and reserve. Put the bell pepper in the chopping cup and pulse to finely chop; reserve with the other vegetables.
- Put the oil in a stockpot set over medium heat. Once the oil is hot, add the chopped vegetables and sauté until soft, about 5 to 7 minutes.
- Add ¾ teaspoon of the salt, bay leaf and cumin. Cook, while stirring, until nicely fragrant, about 1 minute.
- 4. Add the beans (with liquid from can) and the broth. Simmer, partially covered, until all the ingredients are tender and the flavors have melded, about 20 to 25 minutes. Discard the bay leaf.

- 5. Remove soup from the heat. Using the blending shaft, blend on Low for about 20 seconds and then gradually increase to High and blend until very smooth, about 1 minute in total. Add remaining salt and vinegar; blend an additional 10 to 15 seconds to incorporate.
- 6. Taste and adjust seasoning as desired.
- Serve, topping with a dollop of crème fraîche, a pinch of the chopped cilantro and tortilla chips.

Nutritional information per serving (1 cup):
Calories 288 (13% from fat) • carb. 47g • pro. 18g • fat 4g • sat. fat 1g
• chol. 0mg • sod. 589mg • calc. 63mg • fiber 17g

Butternut Squash Bisque with Bacon Sage Butter

The bacon sage butter partners perfectly with this soup. Rave reviews are almost guaranteed..

Makes about 7 cups

Butter:

- 2 slices bacon, diced and cooked through (makes about ¼ cup bacon crumbles)
- 3 to 4 sage leaves
- 8 tablespoons (1 stick) unsalted, good quality butter, room temperature
- 1 teaspoon kosher salt
- 1/4 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper

Soup:

- 1 tablespoon unsalted butter
- 1 medium leek, cleaned well, white and light green parts only (about 6 ounces trimmed), sliced, about 1 cup
- 1 medium butternut squash, peeled, seeded and cut into 2-inch cubes, about 8 cups
- 1 garlic clove, smashed
- 1 sprig thyme
- 11/2 teaspoons kosher salt, divided
- 1/4 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
- 2 tablespoons sherry
- 4 cups chicken broth, low sodium

Make the butter:

 Put the bacon and sage leaves into the chopping cup. Pulse on High until evenly and finely chopped. Add the butter, salt and pepper and process on High until combined. Wrap butter in plastic wrap (twist both ends of the plastic wrap so that butter will form a log shape). Refrigerate until serving. Butter should be very cold and hard for serving.

Make the soup:

- Put the tablespoon of unsalted butter into a stockpot over medium/ medium-low heat. Once butter melts, add the leeks. Cook until soft and fragrant, about 5 minutes. Stir in the butternut squash, garlic, thyme, ½ teaspoon salt and all of the pepper. Stir ingredients together well and cook for an additional 5 minutes.
- Stir in the sherry. Once the sherry has just about evaporated, add the broth so that the squash is completely submerged. Increase the heat. When the liquid comes to a boil, reduce the heat to a simmer. Simmer until squash is very soft and tender, about 20 minutes.
- Once tender, use the blending shaft to blend the soup, starting on Low and gradually increasing the speed to High until completely smooth, about 1 to 1½ minutes.
- Taste and adjust seasoning as desired. Add the remaining salt, ½ teaspoon at a time, tasting with each addition until desired seasoning is achieved.
- 5. To serve: Ladle soup into individual serving bowls and place a pat of Bacon Sage Butter in each bowl.

Nutritional information per serving (about 1 cup):
Calories 268 (59% from fat) • carb. 22g • pro. 5g • fat 18g • sat. fat 11g
• chol. 70mg • sod. 741mg • calc. 92mg • fiber 4g

Cauliflower Soup

Let this soup warm you up on a cold, winter afternoon. It is so easy to prepare with the Cuisinart® Hand Blender.

Makes about 6 cups

- 1 medium leek, cleaned well, white and light green parts only, cut into 1-inch pieces
- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 1 medium head cauliflower, about 2½ pounds, cut into florets
- 2 teaspoons kosher salt, divided
- 1/4 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
- ½ teaspoon caraway seeds
- 4 cups vegetable broth, low sodium Dill, for garnish (optional)
- Put the leek into the chopping cup. Process on High for about 8 seconds to chop.
- Put the olive oil in a stockpot over medium heat. Once hot, add the leek and sauté until soft and fragrant, about 5 minutes. Be careful not to let the leek pick up any color.
- Add the cauliflower florets and 1 teaspoon of the salt, all the pepper and caraway seeds. Stir together until coated and gently sauté for an

- additional couple of minutes. Add the broth and an additional ½ teaspoon of the salt and increase heat. Allow liquid to come to a boil and then reduce heat so that the liquid is just simmering.
- 4. Simmer for about 20 minutes, until the cauliflower is tender.
- Once tender, use the blending shaft to purée. Blend on Low and gradually increase to High, about 1 to 2 minutes. If the soup seems too thick, add additional broth or water until desired consistency is achieved.
- Taste and adjust seasoning as desired. Garnish with a sprig of fresh dill when serving.

Nutritional information per serving (about 1 cup):
Calories 76 (30% from fat) • carb. 10g • pro. 4g • fat 3g • sat. fat 0g
• chol. 0mg • sod. 991mg • calc. 53mg • fiber 4g

Mashed Sweet Potatoes

A staple on most holiday tables, this dish can be made a day ahead and then reheated before serving.

Makes 5 cups

- pounds sweet potatoes (or yams), peeled and cut into
 to 2-inch pieces
- tablespoon pure maple syrup (optional – use if you like extra-sweet potatoes!)
- teaspoon kosher salt
 Pinch freshly ground black pepper
- ½ teaspoon ground cinnamon Pinch freshly ground nutmeg
- Put the sweet potatoes into a stockpot with enough water to cover. Bring to a boil over medium-high heat and cook until very tender. Drain and return the sweet potatoes to the pot.
- Using the blending shaft, blend the potatoes on Low, using a gentle up-and-down motion. Add the remaining ingredients and gradually increased speed to High until ingredients are incorporated and mixture is smooth.
- 3. Taste and adjust seasoning as desired; serve warm.

Nutritional information per serving (about ½ cup):
Calories 117 (1% from fat) • carb. 27g • pro. 2g • fat 0g • sat. fat 0g
• chol. 0mg • sod. 303mg • calc. 80mg • fiber 4g

Berry Fool

A traditional British dessert, fool is great any time of year, but is a real treat when summer berries are at their peak.

Makes about 4 cups

- 2 cups mixed berries (strawberries, raspberries, blueberries)
- 1 tablespoon granulated sugar
- 2 cups heavy cream, chilled
- 2 tablespoons confectioners' sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon pure vanilla extract
- 1. Put the berries and granulated sugar into the mixing cup.
- Using the blending shaft, blend on High until almost fully puréed; reserve.
- Put the remaining ingredients into a medium to large mixing bowl.
 Using the whisk attachment, blend on Low until cream is just starting
 to thicken and then gradually increase speed to High to finish (cream
 should be a medium-stiff consistency).
- 4. With a large spatula, gently fold in the berry mixture streaky is OK.
- 5. Serve immediately for the best texture (fool will only stay in good form for about 1 hour maximum).

Nutritional information per serving (½ cup):
Calories 185 (85% from fat) • carb. 6g • pro. 0g • fat 16g • sat. fat 11g
• chol. 64mg • sod. 0mg • calc. 4mg • fiber 1g

Sweet Whipped Cream

Spoon a dollop over our milkshake (page 19) or Mexican Hot Chocolate (page 29) for a finishing touch.

Makes 2 cups

- 11/4 cups chilled heavy cream
- 2 tablespoons confectioners' sugar
- 1½ teaspoons pure vanilla extract
- Put all ingredients in a large bowl. Using the whisk attachment, begin
 to whip on Low speed, being sure the whisk just skims the surface of
 the cream.
- Continue blending on Low until cream begins to thicken, then gradually increase speed to High and move whisk in an up-and-down motion throughout the bowl until desired stiffness is achieved. Whipped cream will reach soft peaks between 50 to 60 seconds.

Nutritional information per serving (2 tablespoons):
Calories 67 (88% from fat) • carb. 2g • pro. 0g • fat 6g • sat. fat 5g
• chol. 25mg • sod. 6mg • calc. 0mg • fiber 0g

Mexican Hot Chocolate

Mexican chocolate is a stoneground chocolate that is mixed with sugar, spices or vanilla. It can be found in gourmet markets, some larger grocery stores or online.

Makes 11/2 cups

- 1½ cups whole milk
- 3 ounces Mexican chocolate, broken into ½-inch pieces
- teaspoons granulated sugar
 Large pinch ground cinnamon

Pinch cayenne

Sweetened whipped cream (page 28), for serving

- 1. Put the milk into a medium saucepan set over medium heat and bring to a strong simmer.
- While the milk is heating, put the remaining ingredients into the chopping bowl. Pulse on High until chocolate is finely chopped, about 10 to 15 times.
- Remove milk from heat and add in the chopped chocolate-spice mixture. Insert the blending shaft into the pot. Being sure to keep the metal blade completely submerged, pulse on Low speed until chocolate is completely melted and combined, and hot chocolate is frothy.
- 4. Serve immediately with sweetened whipped cream.

Nutritional information per serving (½ cup): Calories 207 (34% from fat) • carb. 31g • pro. 5g • fat 8g • sat. fat 5g • chol. 18mg • sod. 66mg • calc. 161mg • fiber 1g

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