

Label Reading Basics for Diabetes

Nutrition Facts	
8 servings per container	
Serving size	2/3 cup (55g)
Amount per serving	
Calories	230
% Daily Value*	
Total Fat 8g	10%
Saturated Fat 1g	5%
Trans Fat 0g	
Cholesterol 0mg	0%
Sodium 160mg	7%
Total Carbohydrate 37g	13%
Dietary Fiber 4g	14%
Total Sugars 12g	
Includes 10g Added Sugars	20%
Protein 3g	
Vit. D 2mcg 10% • Calcium 260mg 20%	
Iron 8mg 45% • Potas. 240mg 6%	
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Serving Size

- The serving size is the portion size used for all the values on the label.
- Different foods have different serving sizes.
- **The serving size on this label is 2/3 cup.**

Servings per Container

- Indicates the number of servings in the container.
- **There are 8 servings in this container**, each serving is 2/3 cup.

Total Carbohydrates

- Indicates the total amount of carbohydrate per serving size of this product
- One carb choice of a food has about 15 grams of total carbohydrate.
- **This food has 37 grams of carbohydrate per 2/3 cup serving or approximately 2.5 carb choices.**
- Foods high in *dietary fiber* may provide better glucose control after and between meals.

Total Fat

- Indicates the total amount of fat in one serving of this product.
- This food has 8 grams of fat per 2/3 cup serving.
- A food is considered low fat if it has 3 grams of fat or less for every 100 calories.
- Limit saturated fat to 1 gram or less for every 100 calories.
- Avoid trans fats.

Sodium

- Indicates the total amount of salt in one serving of this product.
- This food has 160mg of sodium per 2/3 cup serving.
- It is suggested to limit salt intake to 1500mg per day when you have diabetes (2300 mg or less if you have pre-diabetes).
- Things you can do:
 - use fresh, low sodium frozen, or no salt added/ low-sodium canned food
 - Limit processed foods and dining out
 - Don't add salt to food

% Percent Daily Values

- This area refers to the percentage of the daily recommended amount of each nutrient listed.
- The percentages are based on a 2,000 calorie per day meal plan. You may have different calorie goals for the day.

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Example

If a person eats 1 1/3 cup of this food, they will have eaten 2 servings. 2 Servings =

- 460 calories
- 16 grams of fat
- 320 mg sodium
- **72 grams of total carbs** (5 carbohydrate choices)
- 8 grams of fiber