Healthy Food Recipes

An Initiative of the Central Coast Local Food Security Strategy

Happy Mood Balls

Medjool dates are a source of Vitamins B5 and B6, potassium, copper and fibre. Use medjool dates in recipes, or eat them on their own (in moderation) for a healthy snack.



Ingredients | Method

12 medjool pitted dates

½ cup activated almonds (i.e. soaked overnight)

¼ cup goji berries

2 tbsp coconut oil

3 tbsp chia

4 tbsp cacao

2 tbsp maca

1 tbsp cacao nibs

¼ cup hemp seeds

In a food processor blend the almonds and dates until combined. Slowly add the other ingredients, except for the hemp seeds, and whizz until the mixture comes together. You may need to add some water or rice malt.

Take small handfuls of the mixture and roll into balls, then roll and coat in the hemp seeds. Place in a container and store in the fridge.

(Optional) To take these energy balls to the next level, try topping with our magic chocolate sauce:

1½ cups coconut oil, melted slightly ½ cup maple syrup

½ cup cacao Pinch salt

Combine all ingredients in a small bowl. Drizzle chocolate sauce over Happy Mood Balls before chilling to set.

(Chill for at least 30 minutes before serving.)

Recipe #24 – courtesy of Alchemy/Purple House

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