

Perfecting your smoothie takes patience, experimentation and the right combo of ingredients. Follow these easy steps for a healthy, flavorful masterpiece.

(Builder creates 1 large or 2 small smoothies)

1. Choose a liquid base

Keep it unsweetened, and use 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 2 cups



Water



Low-fat milk



Unsweetened almond milk



Unsweetened coconut milk

2. Sweeten with your favorite fruit

Measure 1 cup of fruit



Strawberries



Bananas



Raspberries



Peaches



Mangoes



Blueberries

3. Up the vitamins with leafy greens

Measure 2 to 3 cups of green veggies



Kale



Spinach



Swiss chard



Collard greens



Beet greens



Dandelion greens

4. Give it a healthy boost

Add protein and healthy fats by including the following optional add-ons:



3/4 cup plain Greek yogurt



³/₄ cup cottage cheese



1 scoop protein powder



2 teaspoons natural nut butter*



1 teaspoon chia seeds



1 teaspoon hemp seeds

Cool tip

Want a thicker smoothie? Add 3-4 ice cubes, blend until smooth and enjoy immediately.



From the expert

"The beauty of a smoothie is that there's no one way to make it. Get creative and experiment with different flavors and nutrients."

- Olga Hays, ACE-certified personal trainer and health promotion specialist at Sharp HealthCare $\,$



^{*}Try almond, coconut, hemp, macadamia or peanut.