**EAT SMART** 

# WITH FOOD NUTRITION LABELS

The Nutrition Facts label can help you make healthier choices.

**USE IT!** 

HERE'S WHAT TO LOOK FOR:

#### Start with serving information.

This will tell you the size of a single serving and how many servings are in the package.

#### Check total calories.

Do the math to know how many calories you're really getting if you eat the whole package.

### Limit certain nutrients.

Compare labels when possible and choose options with lower amounts of added sugars, sodium and saturated fat and no trans fat.

#### Get enough of beneficial nutrients.

Eat foods with nutrients your body needs, like calcium, dietary fiber, iron, potassium and Vitamin D.

#### **Understand % Daily Value.**

- The % Daily Value (DV) tells you the percentage of each nutrient in a single serving in terms of the daily recommended amount.
- To consume less of a nutrient (such as saturated fat or sodium), choose foods with a lower % DV (5% or less).
- To consume more of a nutrient (such as fiber or potassium), choose foods with a higher % DV (20% or more).

## **Nutritriton Facts**

8 servings per container

Serving size 2/3 cup (55g)

Amount per serving

230

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% Dail	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	
Vitamin D 2mcg	10%
Calcium 260mg	20%
Iron 8mg	45%
Potassium 240mg	6%

The % Daily Value (DV) tells you how much a nutrient in a serving of food contributes to a daily diet. 2,000 calories a day is used for general nutrition advice.

For more tips and tricks on eating smart, visit heart.org.



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