

# Fruits & Veggies Bulletin



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## Easy Eggplant Stir-Fry



### Ingredients:

- 2 eggplants, peeled and cubed
- 1 zucchini, thinly sliced
- 1 cup green bell pepper, cut into strips
- 2 onions, sliced
- 3 Tablespoons Italian dressing, low fat
- 2 cups cherry tomatoes
- 2 cups brown rice, cooked

Makes  
4 servings

### Directions:

1. Wash hands with warm water and soap. Wash fresh vegetables.
2. Place eggplant, zucchini, green bell pepper, onions and salad dressing into a skillet.
3. Cook until tender.
4. Stir in cherry tomatoes.
5. Cook for 3-5 minutes.
6. Serve over brown rice.

### Nutrition Facts

per serving	
calories	200
carbohydrates	39 g
protein	5 g
total fat	3 g
saturated fat	0 g
trans fat	0 g
cholesterol	0 mg
fiber	7 g
sodium	100 mg
calories from fat	13.5 %

Recipe courtesy of Connecticut Food Policy Council



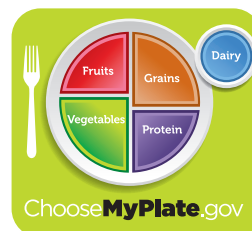
## Getting Started for Healthy Aging

- It's never too late to start eating more fruits and vegetables! They are filled with nutrients to help you stay healthy and reduce your age-related risks of chronic diseases for a better quality of life.
- Get your fill of fiber, vitamin C, vitamin A, calcium, iron and more! Fresh, canned, or frozen – it's easy to get more!
- To find out what fruits and vegetables are in season in your area and to find a farmers' market near you, visit [EatWellBeWell.org](http://EatWellBeWell.org) to view or print a harvest calendar.



## Eat More Fruits and Vegetables

- Fill half your plate with fruits and vegetables at each meal to help make sure you get enough fiber, vitamins and minerals each day.
- Eat vegetables and fruits as snacks; the fiber will help keep you satisfied between meals.



## Farmers' Market Tips

- Wear sunscreen, comfortable walking shoes and a hat.
- Bring a reusable bag if you have one.
- Ask the farmers questions about their products. They can tell you how to select, store and prepare them, and often have recipes to share.
- If you find something you love, you can buy extras and freeze or can it for later use.

## Farmers' Market Facts

- Fruits and vegetables purchased from farmers at farmers' markets are in season, at their peak and at their freshest.
- Shopping at farmers' markets puts money into your local economy and supports farmers and businesses in your community.
- Farmers' markets are more than a place to shop. They are great places to get involved in your community, meet other people and enjoy entertainment. It is also a fun way to be physically active.



## Healthy Eating Across Your Lifespan

- Find ways to add more fruits and vegetables to your own recipes.
- Add grated zucchini, spinach or eggplant to spaghetti sauce or add some leafy greens to a favorite soup recipe.
- Try your recipe with someone whose company you enjoy.
- Garden and cook with fruits and vegetables. They are great hobbies and a fun way to stay connected with family, friends, and your community.