



# Summer Sips to Chill® Dips

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### Making Healthy Summer Treats

Get ready to make some super yummy summer treats! The refreshing creations in *Summer Sips to "Chill" Dips* use fresh food in really simple recipes.

In the summer, fresh fruits and vegetables are inexpensive and plentiful. The best of this **seasonal produce** is available at farmers' markets or small family farms. These places offer locally grown fruits and veggies that have just been picked. This kind of produce usually has more nutritional value than food that is chilled for weeks and shipped long distances.

The great thing about making your own summer drinks and dips is that you know exactly what goes into each recipe. Many **pre-made** foods contain **preservatives** that are not always good for your body.

Use the ideas on page 22 for making the nutritious drinks and dips in this book even healthier.



### Getting Started

Use these cooking tips and safety and tool guidelines to make the best drinks and dips you've ever tasted.

#### Tips

Here are a few tips to get your cooking off to a great start.

- Quickly check out the Prep Time, Tools, and Servings information at the top of each recipe. It will tell you how long the recipe takes to prepare, the tools you'll need, and the number of people the recipe serves.
- Once you pick a recipe, set out the tools and ingredients that you will need on your worktable.
- Before and after cooking, wash your hands well with warm soapy water to kill any germs.
- Wash all fruits and vegetables, as appropriate, to get rid of any dirt and chemicals.
- Put on an apron or smock to protect your clothes.
- Roll up long shirtsleeves to keep them clean.
- Tie back long hair or cover it to keep it out of the food.
- Very Important: Keep the adults happy by cleaning up the kitchen when you've finished cooking.



**TOOLS** 

#### Steps

- Ask an adult to cut the avocado in half with the knife on the cutting board. Remove the pit and throw it away. With the spoon, scrape out the green flesh of the fruit from the rind and put it into the blender.
- Pour the rest of the ingredients into the blender.
- 3 Blend on high for 30 seconds or until smooth.

SERVINGS

- 4 Pour the mixture into the glass.
- 6 Add a sprig of mint if desired for decoration.

Avocados are in the Guinness Book of World Records as the most nutritious fruit known to man.





#### Be Safe

Cook safely by having an adult around to help with these activities:



Using a sharp knife or peeler.

Using the stove, the blender, or other electrical appliances.

Removing hot pans from the oven. (Always use pot holders.)

Frying foods on top of the stove. (Keep the heat as low as possible to avoid burns from oil splatter.)

#### **Tools You Need**

Here's a guide to the tools you will need to make the various recipes in this book.



**Fork** 

Knife





Apple or vegetable peeler







Measuring spoons

Measuring cups



**Popsicle sticks** 





Spreader

Can opener



Small bowl



Medium bowl



Straw



Pot holders



Whisk



Small glass, 8 ounces



Medium glass, 12 ounces



Large glass, 16 ounces



**Baking sheet** with sides





9-inch pie plate



Colander





Blender







Oven





Refrigerator



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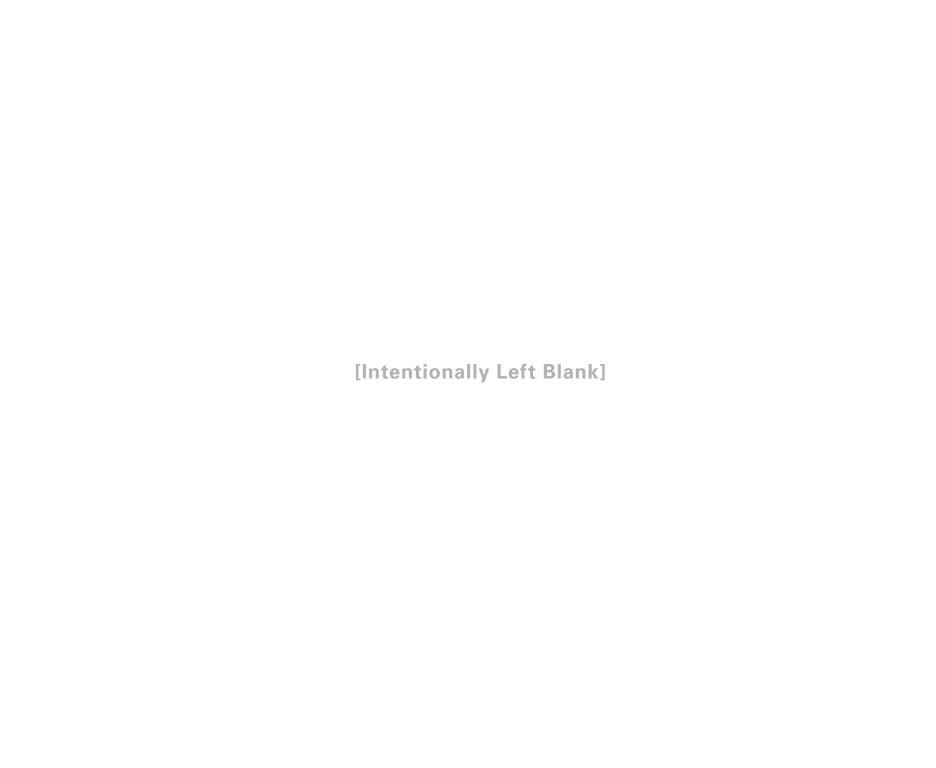


#### **Learn More Online**

To learn more about making summer sips and 'chill' dips, visit www.bearportpublishing.com/YummyTummyRecipes-Seasons

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## Summer Sips to "Chill" Dips



When you make your own food, you are taking a giant step toward eating healthier. Plus, it's great fun!

The recipes in this book are all nutritious and dee-licious. Just follow the easy directions, and in no time at all, you and your friends will be enjoying refreshing drinks and mouthwatering dips.

Fall Shakes to Harvest Bakes
Spring Spreads to "Nutty" Breads

Summer Sips to "Chill" Dips
Winter Punches to Nut Crunches



