

# Cranberry Almond Pasta Salad - dry mix

## INGREDIENTS

- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1 teaspoon celery seed
- 1 tablespoon dried, minced onion
- 1/2 cup dried cranberries
- 1/2 cup sliced or slivered almonds

## DIRECTIONS

- Make this a homemade mix to store in your pantry.
- Combine all of the ingredients in a sealable bag.
- If you like, attach the recipe for making the mix into a pasta salad, or just label the bag 'Cranberry Almond Pasta Salad Mix' and refer to your printed recipe.

## TIP

This mix makes more than a pasta salad. It can also be made up as a dressing.

Place the mix in a jar, add 1 cup of mayonnaise and 2 tablespoons vinegar, seal the jar and shake until the sugar has dissolved.

Pour over things like:

- 2 lbs of shredded cabbage for a festive cranberry slaw
- 1 lb of chopped broccoli florets and some crumbled bacon
- 4 large apples, chopped (green and red), 2 cups chopped pecans and diced cheddar cheese

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## INGREDIENTS

- 16 oz package chunky pasta  
*(bow tie or spirals are good options)*
- 1 Cranberry Almond Pasta Salad mix\*
- 1/2 cup diced celery
- 1 cup mayonnaise
- 2 tablespoons vinegar

## OPTIONAL:

- 1 pound cooked and diced turkey, chicken or ham

## TIP

This is a great 'next day meal' using leftover turkey, chicken or ham that was served as a main entree the day before.

## DIRECTIONS

- Prepare the pasta according to package directions.
- Drain and place in a serving bowl and let cool.
- In a bowl, add the mix\*, mayonnaise and vinegar.
- Whisk until the sugar is dissolved.
- Add the celery and optional protein to the bowl with the pasta and pour the dressing over it.
- Toss to coat.
- Place in the fridge and chill for at least 30 minutes or up to 2 days.

**\*If you don't have a pre-made mix, here are the ingredients needed...**

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