# 8 Coffee Alternatives To Boost Your Morning

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increases energy · lowers blood sugar · high in antioxidants

#### Directions

- 1) Add one large tablespoon Yerba Mate leaves to a tea bag, strainer or tea ball.
- 2) Splash with cool water to preserve its nutrients. 3) Steep in 175°F hot water for approximately 4 minutes. 4) Sweeten with honey, sugar or maple syrup (optional).



# Golden Milk

2 cups milk

1 teaspoon turmeric

½ teaspoon cinnamon

1 teaspoon honey

¼ teaspoon ginger powder

Pinch of black pepper

Pinch of cayenne pepper

anti-inflammatory • increases alertness • helps with mood

#### Directions

1) Blend all ingredients until smooth. 2) Pour mixture into a small pot and stir occasionally for about 5 minutes on medium heat. 3) Drain through a fine mesh strainer.

4) Pour into your favorite mug. Add extra cayenne pepper if you want more spice.





3/4 cup water

2-4 whole green cardamom pods, smashed

1-2 thin slices of fresh ginger

1 cinnamon stick

1 star anise

3/4 cup milk

1/2 teaspoon loose black tea leaves

1 tablespoon honey

1 tablespoon black pepper



increases energy · increases circulation · antifungal

#### Directions

1) Crush all spices using a coffee grinder, mortar and pestle or grater until they form a powder. 2) Grate the ginger into fine pieces. 3) Boil water, then add ginger, spices and black tea. 4) Continue boiling mixture for 2 minutes, stirring occasionally. 5) Add in your milk and stir again. 6) If your liquid boils over, lower temperature (You may need to do this several times). 7) Add in sweetener of choice (optional). 8) Turn off the heat and let it sit for about 2 minutes. 9) Place a strainer over a cup, strain and enjoy!

## Mexican Hot Chocolate

2 cups milk

1 cinnamon stick

1 3-ounce disc of Mexican chocolate or dark chocolate

1/2 tablespoon Ancho powder

1 pinch of cayenne pepper

1 pinch of salt



increases blood flow · lowers blood pressure · increases alertness

#### Directions

1) Cut your chocolate in pieces. 2) Pour your milk into a pan and add a cinnamon stick, ancho powder, and salt. 3) Stir mixture for about 3 minutes on medium heat. 4) Add chocolate pieces, making sure they melt completely. 5) Add a pinch of cayenne pepper, stir and serve.



# Honey Maca

1½ cups almond milk
3 tablespoon honey
1 teaspoon of vanilla extract
2 teaspoon ground cinnamon
1 teaspoon maca powder

#### reduces stress and fatigue · rich in vitamins

#### Directions

- 1) Place almond milk, vanilla and cinnamon in a small pot and heat for about 10 minutes. 2) Add maca powder and stir.
- 3) Add honey to sweeten. 4) Top with extra cinnamon (optional).

## Natcha Latte

½ cup hot water

½ cup hot coconut milk or almond milk

1 teaspoon matcha tea powder

1 tablespoon sweetener (optional)

Whisk

1 dash of vanilla extract

Frother (optional)



#### detoxifying · increases alertness · boosts metabolism

#### Directions

1) Scoop the matcha powder into a mug or small bowl. 2) Pour in a small amount of the hot water and carefully whisk until it creates a pasty texture. 3) Add in your hot coconut or almond milk, along with the remaining water. 4) Stir together until the matcha dissolves completely. 5) Place frother on top of liquid and froth until desired texture is achieved.

### Fresh Mint Tea

A large handful of fresh mint leaves

2 cups water

3 tea bags of choice

**Strawberries** 

Sweetener of choice





natural stimulant • increases energy • aids digestion

#### Directions

1) Steep three tea bags in hot water, set aside and let it cool. 2) Pour cooled water into a cup, filling it about half way. 3) Add in mint, ice and strawberries.4) Add water and sweetener of choice

## Superfood Berry Smoothie

1/2 cup fresh or frozen raspberries
1/2 cup fresh or frozen blueberries
6 large fresh or frozen strawberries
1/2 cup coconut water
2 scoops of protein powder



improves brain function · prevents cell damage · good for heart health

#### Directions

- 1) Add all ingredients into a blender and blend until smooth.
  - 2) Pour into a glass and top with your favorite berries.