# Powdered MILK

## What is it?

- Powdered milk is made by removing water from regular
- ' milk. It comes in two varieties: instant and non-instant.
- Instant powdered milk is more common and dissolves faster
- in water than non-instant or "regular" powdered milk.
- Just like regular milk, powdered milk is also available as whole
- (3.25%), 2% and skim. Choose the one that best meets your needs.

## Is it as nutritious as regular milk?

- Yes! It has all the same nutrients as regular milk.
- Calcium Builds and maintains bones and teeth.
- Vitamin D Helps bodies absorb calcium.
- Protein Builds and maintains strong muscles, blood and other tissues.
- Phosphorus Aids in the formation of strong bones and teeth. Helps make bones and teeth strong.
- Vitamin A Keeps your eyes and skin healthy.
- Magnesium Helps keep bones and teeth strong.

## Why use powdered milk?

It's an excellent, inexpensive way to get important nutrients in your diet. Powdered milk is also very easy to store and transport.

It can be used like regular milk for drinking; or it can be used as an ingredient to boost calcium and protein content when preparing other foods.

Traditional First Nations foods like wild plants, seaweed, bannock, fish with bones, shellfish, nuts and beans are examples of how people got, and continue to get, nutrients found in milk. Since traditional foods are not eaten as much now as in the past, people may not get these nutrients in the amounts needed for health. Using dry milk powder can help meet nutrient needs.

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## Cooking with Powdered MILK

• Powdered milk can be added to many foods and recipes without changing the taste or texture; and there is no need to add extra water, unless the recipe already asks for it. Try it in your favourite recipes! Here are some ideas:

#### • Add 1/2 cup

- when making canned soup

 per can of condensed soup when making casseroles, like tuna-noodle

#### • Add 1/3 cup

- per 4 servings of mashed potatoes

- to every pound of ground meat when making meatloaves and meatballs

#### • Add 1/4 cup

- per pound of ground meat before browning it when making casseroles

#### • Add 3 tbsp.

 to each ½ cup of uncooked cereal when making hot/ cooked cereals, like oatmeal and cream of wheat. Use the same amount of water as called for in the package directions when cooking the cereal.

Use powdered milk instead of coffee whitener in your coffee and tea.

#### Powdered milk can also be used instead of regular milk in a recipe.

If you run out of milk don't worry – try this!

• Add 1/3 cup of dry powdered milk to the dry ingredients. Substitute water for the amount of fluid milk listed in the recipe. This works for regular and instant puddings, breads, cake mixes and more.

### Lactose Intolerance

Milk, including powdered milk, contains a natural sugar called "lactose". Some people can't digest large amounts of lactose at one time. This isn't dangerous but can cause gas, stomach bloating, or diarrhea. For more information on lactose intolerance and tips on how to enjoy milk and milk products read "Milk and Lactose Intolerance", available from Dairy Farmers of Manitoba. If you think you are lactose intolerant, speak to your health care provider or community nurse.

Lactose intolerance is most common in adults of First Nation background. Some people may benefit from taking over-the-counter lactase enzyme drops or tablets. Many different types of drops and tablets are covered through Non-Insured Health Benefits for Treaty members. Speak to your community nurse or health care provider about what type of drops or tablets are covered.

## **Golden Carrot Soup**

1/3 cup butter
1/3 cup chopped onion
2 cups thinly sliced carrots
3 chicken bouillon cubes
3 cups boiling water
1/4 cup rice
1/2 tsp salt
2/3 cup powdered milk
2 cups water

In a saucepan, cook onions in butter until golden. Add carrots and toss until coated with butter. Add bouillon cubes, boiling water and rice; cover and simmer until carrots are fork-tender and rice is cooked about 12 to 15 minutes. Let it rest for 5 minutes. Add salt. Add to blender one-third at a time and blend until smooth. Return to saucepan. Mix powdered with remaining water, stir well. Add milk to soup and heat.

Source: Dairy Farmers of Canada

## Salmon Loaf

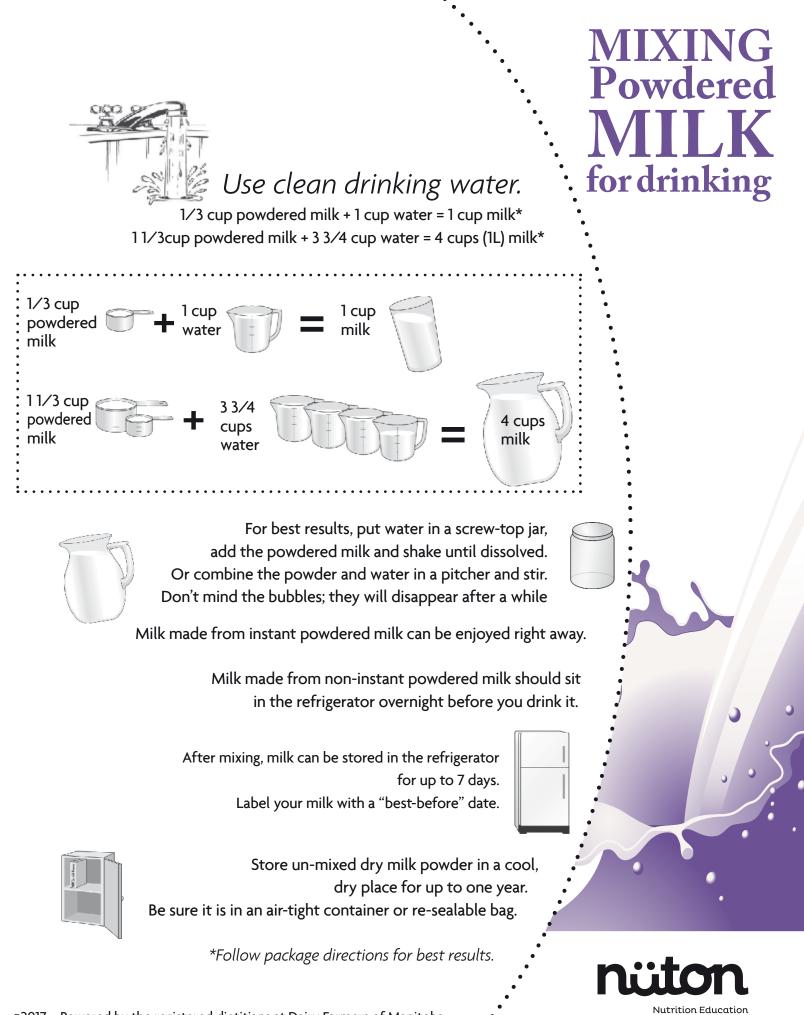
egg, slightly beaten
 2/3 cup dry milk powder
 tbsp finely chopped onion
 1/4 tsp salt
 Dash pepper
 4 medium slices bread, torn into small pieces
 2 tins (213g each) canned salmon

Preheat oven to 350°F (180°C). Grease a 9x5x3-inch loaf pan. In a large bowl, combine egg, dry milk, onion, salt, pepper and bread. Open salmon cans, do not drain, pour into a bowl and mash the salmon and bones, add to bread mixture. Stir until combined and bread has absorbed the liquid. Pat evenly into the prepared pan. Bake for 25-30 minutes.

Source: Washington State Dairy Council

# Delicious Recipes

made with Powdered MILK



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