# **ASIAN LETTUCE WRAPS**

## **MATERIALS**

Skillet Stirring spoon Small bowl

### **YIELD**

Four wraps

DISH: MAIN

FOOD GROUP(S): PROTEIN, VEGETABLE

#### **INGREDIENTS**

Nonstick cooking spray

1 1/2 pounds ground turkey breast

1 1/2 cups shredded carrots

1 cucumber, peeled and diced

2 tablespoons rice vinegar

3 tablespoons reduced-sodium soy sauce

2 tablespoons honey

2 tablespoons minced fresh ginger root

1/2 teaspoon garlic powder

1/4 teaspoon crushed red pepper flakes

12 Bibb or Boston lettuce leaves 1/2 cup green onions, julienned 1/3 cup sliced almonds, toasted



#### **DIRECTIONS**

- 1. In a large nonstick skillet coated with cooking spray, cook crumbled turkey until the cooking temperature reaches 165°F. Drain and set aside.
- 2. In a small bowl, whisk the vinegar, soy sauce, honey, ginger, garlic powder, and red pepper flakes to make a sauce.
- 3. Add the cucumber and carrots to the meat and stir in the sauce.
- 4. Cook until the vegetables are tender.
- 5. Wash lettuce leaves and pat dry.
- 6. Using the leaves as the base, fill with meat, top with onions and almonds.
- 7. Wrap filling inside the leaf and enjoy!

#### **CHEF'S NOTES**

- Layer two leaves to provide a stronger base. Using lettuce in place of bread or tortillas increases vegetable intake and reduces calorie intake.
- ➤ To mince the ginger, peel the skin with a vegetable peeler or the side of a spoon. Slice as thinly as possible to make tiny "matchsticks," then gather the sticks and slice crosswise to mince. You can use 2 teaspoons ground instead of fresh ginger (3 teaspoons = 1 tablespoon).
- ▶ In this recipe, you need three times more fresh than dried herbs and spices.