#### **HEALTH-CRUSH**

Food for the Body, Mind & Soul

# **PICKLED VEGGIE BRINE**

Easily pickle your favorite veggies in this quick method to savor the nutrients in this yummy brine.

SERVINGS	SERVING SIZE	TIME TO MAKE
24	1/4 CUP	20 MINUTES

### **INGREDIENTS**

#### **BRINE INGRIEDENTS**

- 1 3/4 cup water
- 1 3/4 cup white vinegar
- 1 Tablespoon sugar
- 1 Tablespoon salt
- 1/3 thinly sliced jalapeños (optional)
- 1 fresh bay leaf
- 1/4 tsp black pepper
- 3 garlic cloves
- Spices (thyme, basil, dill, etc.) (optional)

#### **VEGGIES**

• Onions, cabbage, carrots, cauliflower, cucumbers to name a few, thinly sliced

## **DIRECTIONS**

- Using a clean jar or container for the pickled food, add thinly sliced vegetable of choice (onions, carrots, cabbage, cauliflower, etc. and/or combination of any of these), black pepper, garlic cloves, and fresh bay leaf and desired spices (basil, thyme, etc.), jalapeños (optional).
- 2. Using a sauce pan, add water, white vinegar, sugar, salt
- 3. Bring to a simmer, stirring until salt and sugar are dissolved.
- 4. Remove from heat
- 5. Pour the brine into the jar until it is fully covered with minimal space at the top, but close to the top of the container.
- 6. Cover with a lid.

- 7. Let rest until cooled then place in fridge. This should seal the container, but just in case, keep this in the fridge unless you want to do a water bath for a full canning process.
- 8. Can be enjoyed later that day once chilled.
- 9. Stays fresh for about 3 weeks.
- 10. Enjoy!
- TIPS: These have some heat given the seeds from jalapeños. Adding other herbs and spices can also create some different flavors.
- Allowing to sit for a few days, intensifies the flavors
- Can be placed on sandwiches, salads, or a topping of starches! Possibilities are endless.

Nutritional Information per serving: 7 Calories, 0 grams Fat, 0 gram Saturated Fat, 0 mg Cholesterol, 291 mg Sodium, 1 grams Total Carbohydrates, 0 gram Fiber, 1 grams Sugar, 0% Vitamin A, 0% Vitamin C, 0% Calcium, 0% Iron

\*Brine ingredients are only calculated, vegetables not included in nutritional information, the brine contains a lot of salt, be mindful in consumption of the brine