

### **COOKING WITH**

# CARROTS

#### **ABOUT CARROTS**

- Carrots are not only orange, but can be found purple, black, red, white, and yellow.
- Carrots are an excellent source of beta-carotene, which is important for eyesight, skin, teeth, and bone growth.
- There are a variety of ways carrots can be prepared stir fried, boiled, mashed, steamed, grated, baked, and more.

# **EXTENDING THE SHELF LIFE OF CARROTS**

- Carrots last best when they are stored whole, un-peeled, in a plastic bag in the fridge drawer.
- Carrots can be frozen after blanching them. To blanch carrots:

Remove stems and wash thoroughly. Slice the carrots. Add to boiling water (4 cups of carrots to 16 cups of water), return to boil and cook for 3 minutes. Scoop out the carrots carefully and cool them right away in ice water. After cool, drain and dry the carrots and place into freezer bags – remove as much air as possible. Date the bag. They keep for up to a year in the freezer!

# **GLAZED CARROTS**

SOURCE: whatscooking.fns.usda.gov/recipes/supplemental-nutrition-assistance-program-snap/glazed-carrots

#### **INGREDIENTS**

- 2 tablespoons butter/margarine
- 1 ½ lbs carrots
- 1 cup water

#### **INSTRUCTIONS**

- Peel the carrots. Cut in half lengthwise, then cut into 1 inch pieces.
- 2. Melt the margarine in a heavy saucepan on low heat.
- 3. Add the carrots. Stir to coat them with the margarine.
- 4. Add the water, salt and pepper.
- 5. Cover and simmer for about 15 minutes until tender.

- 1/4 teaspoon pepper
- 2 teaspoons sugar
- 6. Drain the water.
- 7. Add the sugar.
- 8. Cover the pan.
- 9. Shake the pan back and forth on the burner for 1 minute.
- 10. Cook for 1 more minute, until the carrots are glazed but not brown.

# **Nutrition Facts**

Amount Per Serving
Calories 90

% Daily Value\*

**Total Fat** 4g

Saturated Fat 1g

**Cholesterol** 0mg

Sodium 210mg

**Total Carbohydrates** 12g

Dietary Fiber 3g

Sugars 7g

Protein 1q

Vitamin D	0%
Calcium	0%
Iron	0%
Potassium	0%

\*Based on a 2,000 calorie diet

