# Greek Yogurt-Homemade

This recipe makes about 6 cups of yogurt or about 2 cups of yogurt powder



### **Ingredients**

**1 gallon** of whole milk

**4 tbsp** plain yogurt with active cultures

#### **Directions**

- 1. Sterilize Utensils: Add 1 cup of water to the Instant Pot. Place the wire rack and utensils (measuring cups, whisk, etc.) inside. Pressure cook for 3 minutes to sterilize
- 2. Pour 1 gallon of milk into the Instant Pot. Press the Yogurt button until the display reads "boil."
- 3. Bring Milk to 180°F: Place the lid on the Instant Pot and heat the milk to 180°F (takes about an hour) Some Instant Pots will shut off automatically, but whisking every 10–15 minutes helps prevent scorching
- 4. Cool the Milk: Once the milk reaches 180°F, transfer the inner pot to an ice bath and cool the milk to 95-110°F
- 5. In a separate bowl, mix 4 tbsp of yogurt culture with a small amount of the warm milk. Whisk until smooth
- 6. Whisk the starter mixture back into the cooled milk and return the inner pot to the Instant Pot.
- 7. Press the Yogurt button and set the cook time for 9-10 hours. A longer incubation results in a thicker and tangier yogurt
- 8. At the end of the cycle, strain the yogurt using a cheesecloth or towel for several hours (or overnight) to separate the whey. The whey can be saved for baking or other uses
- 9. Add parchment paper to your trays
- 10. Spread the yogurt evenly on trays
- 11. Add dividers for easy portioning
- 12. Pre Freeze when possible
- 13. Freeze dry (my cycle time was 33 hours)
- 14. Powder in a food processor
- 15. Store in jars for short-term use or in mylar bags for long-term storage

#### Rehydration:

Add 1½ parts yogurt powder to 1 part water. Stir and adjust consistency as desired.

#### Notes:

Save 4 tbsp of greek yogurt from previous batch for starter in your next batch

## Nutritional Value Per 1 cup pre-freeze-dried

Calories: 390 Protein: 21 g Fat: 20 g Carbohydrates: 30 g Sugar: 31 g Fiber: 0 g