

RECIPE Melting Tart-Apple Treat

Want a sweet treat that's better for you than Halloween candy? Try this tasty baked-apple recipe:⁶

Ingredients

- 4 tart apples, top third of the apple cut off
- 1/4 C dried fruit (e.g., raisins, cranberries, apricots)
- 1/4 C roasted nuts (walnuts or pecans), coarsely chopped
- 1 T honey 1∕₂ tsp ground cinnamon
- ¼ C water

Instructions

- 1. Preheat oven to 375 degrees F.
- Place apples on a cutting board. Cut off the top third. Use a melon baller or spoon to remove top two-thirds of the core.
- 3. Prick top sides of the apple with a fork to prevent splitting.
- Put the dried fruit, nuts, sweetener, and cinnamon in a small bowl. Divide the mixture into four parts. Stuff inside apples.
- 5. Put water in baking dish. Place apples in the water, open side up. Bake until apples are soft, about 1 hour.



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Walk This Way to Lower Stroke Risk

Walk at least two hours a week to protect your brain

When 42-year-old Wisconsin resident Tracy Nelson woke up one morning, her arm was limp. She thought it was probably caused by the way she slept for the night. But it wasn't.

A few minutes later, she collapsed. She crawled to the phone to call for help. And when a 911 operator answered, she couldn't speak. Tracy was having a stroke.

When a stroke strikes your brain

A stroke occurs when a clot blocks blood supply to the brain, or when a blood vessel in the brain bursts.



Stroke: Know the signs. Act in time. <u>stroke.nih.gov</u>

It can happen to anyone. Every 40 seconds, someone in the United States has a stroke. And within minutes, a stroke can cause serious physical and mental problems.

Take a daily walk to lower stroke risk

A recent study gathered exercise and health data on 135,645 people. The data showed that those who walked at a brisk pace for two or more hours a week lowered their stroke risk by an average of 44 percent.

If you want to lower your risk for a stroke, take a daily walk. *D*

Want to Live Longer? Limit Screen Time on All Devices (continued from page 1)

Take the one-hour-a-day screen-time challenge

If you want to live longer and protect your health, limit screen time to an hour a day, outside of work. You'll be amazed at how much time you'll have for other things like going for a walk, cleaning the house, reading a book, or spending time with family and friends.



10 tips to reduce screen time <u>https://tinyurl.com/</u> yas7hde6

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