BASIC GRANOLA
2 1/2 cups sugar
1 1/2 cups water
6 tablespoons oil
1 1/2 teaspoons salt
10 cups rolled oats (uncooked)

In a pan combine the sugar, water, oil, and salt. Heat until sugar is dissolved, but do not boil. Pour syrup over the oats and stir until well coated. Add a little more rolled oats if the texture seems too moist. Place in pans or sheets about 1/2-inch deep. Bake at 425°F, 20–30 minutes, stirring occasionally. Bake 15 minutes longer if you want it crunchier. Makes 11 cups. Store in an airtight container.

WHITE SAUCE
1/4 cup flour (whole wheat or all-purpose)
10 tablespoons powdered milk
1/2 tablespoon salt
2 cups water

Combine all dry ingredients and mix or shake well. Combine dry mix with enough of the liquid to make a smooth paste. Stir in remaining liquid and cook over moderate heat, continuing to stir frequently until sauce thickens and comes to a boil. Remove from heat. Makes 1 1/2 cups sauce.

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WHOLE WHEAT BREAD
1 tablespoon yeast
½ cup warm water
2½ cups hot tap water
7 cups whole wheat flour (or any combination of whole wheat and white flour)
½ tablespoon salt
⅛ cup oil
⅛ cup sugar

In a small bowl, mix the yeast into the warm water (adding a half teaspoon of sugar will help it grow). In a mixing bowl, blend the hot tap water with about half of the flour. Add salt, oil, and sugar to mixture. Mix until well blended. Add prepared yeast mixture. Add the rest of the flour to make the dough just stiff enough to clean the sides of the bowl. Knead on low mixer setting for 10 minutes. On a slightly oiled counter, divide the dough into two equal portions, cover with a damp towel, and let rise until double in size. Shape loaves and place in greased loaf pans. Cover and let rise in a warm place until dough has doubled in size again. Bake at 350°F for 30 to 35 minutes. Makes two loaves.

HARDTACK (UNLEAVENED BREAD)
1 cup water
4 tablespoons oil
2½ tablespoons sugar
1 teaspoon salt
2¼ cups whole wheat flour

Mix together water, oil, sugar, and salt. Add flour. Stir well and roll out dough to ¼-inch thickness. Cut into 2-inch squares and poke several holes in each square with a fork. Bake 35 minutes at 350°F. Makes approximately 20 crackers.

ROASTED WHEAT KERNELS
¼ cup wheat berries (whole kernels of wheat)
⅛ teaspoon oil
⅛ teaspoon salt

Heat a small amount of oil in a skillet. Add wheat berries and pop like popcorn. They don’t expand as much as popcorn, but they will pop. Swirl around in the pan to prevent burning. Sprinkle with salt while hot. Makes ½ cup.

CREAMY CRACKED WHEAT CEREAL
1 cup uncooked cracked wheat
3 cups water
⅛ teaspoon salt
¼ cup powdered milk
4 tablespoons sugar

Prepare cracked wheat by using a wheat grinder or a blender. Add dry milk to water, whisk, and bring to a boil at medium high temperature. Add wheat, sugar, and salt; cover and reduce heat to simmer for 20 minutes, stirring occasionally, until water is absorbed. Makes 3 cups cereal.

ROLLED WHEAT FLAKES
1 cup wheat
2 cups hot tap water

Soak the wheat in the water for 3 hours (or cook for 3 to 5 minutes in a microwave oven). Drain and blot the wheat to remove excess water. Flake the wheat using a hand roller mill. Rolled wheat flakes can be used in many ways. They can be eaten as a soaked cereal, toasted for muesli, or used in cooking and baking as a substitute for some of the flour or rolled oats in a recipe.

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Preheat a thermos by filling it with hot tap water. Bring 2 cups of water to a boil and add salt. Empty the tap water from the thermos. Place the wheat in the thermos and add the boiling water. Screw the lid tightly onto the thermos and allow the wheat to cook for about 8 hours or overnight. Drain off any water that has not been absorbed. Serve with milk and sugar or raisins.

CREAM OF BEAN SOUP
1½ cups dried pinto beans
2 tablespoons oil
2 tablespoons whole wheat flour
⅝ cups water
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⅔ cup powdered milk

Sort through beans and discard rocks and any beans that are discolored or damaged. Add ¾ cups of water to the beans and soaked overnight. Drain off any water that has not been absorbed. Serve with milk and sugar or raisins.

CREAMY OATMEAL
4⅛ cups water
1/2 teaspoon salt
2 cups uncooked oats
1 tablespoon powdered milk
1 tablespoon sugar

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