# Backcountry Cookbook

Dehydrated Backpacking Meals from the 2018 UAA Wrangell St. Elias Expedition



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## Tips & Tricks for Dehydrating and Rehydrating Food

- Eggs can be bought in dehydrated powder form, but if you want to dehydrate your own, mix eggs, milk, and polenta (1:1 ratio to the eggs), salt and pepper to taste, then scramble and dehydrate
- For all recipes, unless otherwise noted, add a little more than enough boiling water to cover food to rehydrate. If there's instant mashed potatoes in the recipe, add more water, it takes a lot to rehydrate instant mashed potatoes
- To dehydrate chicken, place 1 bag of frozen chicken breasts into a crock pot, cover with water, add about 2 Tbsp chicken bouillon, cook in crock pot on low for 8-10 hours, drain chicken, shred, and then dehydrate
- To make your own quick cook pasta, just simply cook a package of pasta, and then dehydrate
- Whey protein quickly adds protein and calories to any dehydrated meal for very little weight
- Natural Pantry in Anchorage has a number of dehydrated items and powders such as coconut powder, stir fry spice mix, whey protein and more
- Frozen vegetable bags can easily be thrown straight on a dehydrator
- Many dehydrated items can be purchased online on Amazon or in stores like Wal Mart
- Test meals out before you go to ensure your taste buds like the food and to gauge how much water to add

#### **Cheesy Baco-Spuds**

Recipe by Monika Fleming

2 1/4 cup instant mashed potatoes

1/2 cup instant dried milk

1 tsp butter buds

3/4 cup bacon bits

1/4 cup powdered cheese

1 1/2 Tbsp dried parsley flakes 1 1/2 Tbsp dried onion

salt and pepper to taste

Mix ingredients together

#### **Breakfast of Champions**

Recipe by Monika Fleming

1 box Annie's Organic Flaky Biscuits

1 cup dehydrated eggs

1/4 cup bacon bits

1 pack country gravy mix

1 bag instant mashed potatoes

1/4 cup parmesan cheese

Cook biscuits, break into smaller pieces, dehydrate Mix dehydrated biscuits in with other ingredients

#### **Breakfast Scramble**

Recipe by Miranda Sheely

1 box dehydrated hash browns

2 cup dehydrated ham or ground beef

1/2 cup dehydrated egg

1/2 cup dehydrated polenta

1/4 cup dehydrated onion

1/4 cup dehydrated peppers

Mix ingredients together

Add cheese and hot sauce once rehydrated

## Teriyaki Noodles

Recipe by Kelly Ireland

Knorr Pasta Sides Teriyaki Noodles 1 pack 1 cup dehydrated chicken 1 cup dehydrated broccoli

peanut butter powder 1/2 cup

peanuts and/or cashews 1/4 cup

Mix ingredients together

#### Creamy Garlic Shells

Recipe by Kelly Ireland

1 pack Knorr Pasta Sides Creamy Garlic Shells

1 cup dehydrated veggie mix

dehydrated chicken 1 cup powdered milk 1/2 cup

Mix ingredients together Add cayenne pepper for an extra kick

## Shrimp Scampi

Recipe by Kelly Ireland

1 lb shrimp

2 cup broccoli

5 cloves

1/2 Tbsp

1/2

1/2 cup butter 1/2 cup white wine

garlic lemon

garlic powder

cayenne pepper 1 tsp

quick cook pasta (angel hair or fettuccine) 1 pack

Saute ingredients together (minus noodles), then dehydrate, pour all the sauce onto dehydrating pan with the shrimp, make sure to grind into fine powder once dehydrated Mix shrimp sauce mix with pasta

#### Parmesan Fettuccine

Recipe by Kelly Ireland

1 pack Knorr Pasta Sides Parmesan Fettuccine

1 cup dehydrated chicken

1 cup dehydrated broccoli

1/2 cup powdered milk

Mix ingredients together

#### **Turkey Meatball Spaghetti**

Recipe by Monika Fleming

1 pack spaghetti noodles

1 jar spaghetti sauce

4 cup precooked turkey meatballs

Dehydrate sauce into a leather, blend it into a fine powder

Cook noodles and dehydrate

Dehydrate turkey meatballs

Mix dehydrated noodles and meatballs

Rehydrate noodles separately and drain excess water

Mix noodles, sauce and meatballs

Add parmesan cheese once rehydrated

#### Chili Macaroni

Recipe by Kelly Ireland

1 can black beans

1 can kidney beans

1 can corn

2 cup dehydrated chicken

1 box macaroni and cheese

1/2 cup powdered milk

Mix black beans, kidney beans, corn, and spices together, dehydrate Mix dehydrated beans with chicken, box of mac and cheese and powdered milk

Add more chili spices for extra kick!

Recipe by Kelly Ireland

Stir Fry

1 bag

1 cup 1 can

1 can

1/4 cup

1/4 cup

1 bag

1 cup snap peas 1 cup shredded carrots

Kroger stir fry frozen mix

powdered peanut butter mushrooms

baby corn dehydrated chicken coconut powder

stir fry spice mix

Recipe by TJ Miller, Miranda Sheely, and Kelly Ireland

dehydrated mixed veggies

dehydrated ground beef or pulled pork (1 can)

Mix snap peas, shredded carrots, Kroger stir fry frozen mix, mushrooms, baby corn together and dehydrate

Mix ingredients together

Shepherds Pie

1 cup

1 pack

4 Tbsp

3 Tbsp

1/4 tsp 1/4 tsp

1/2 tsp

1 pack instant mashed potatoes (any flavor) 2 cup

1 pack brown gravy 1/4 cup bacon bits

**Beefy Noodle Bowl** 

Mix ingredients together

Recipe by Monika Fleming

1 pack beef top ramen

instant onion soup shredded beef jerky

dehydrated mixed veggies

garlic powder

ground ginger cilantro

1-2 pack soy sauce or sriracha (to taste)

Mix ingredients together

#### Chicken Tikki Masala

Recipe by TJ Miller

1 can chicken

1 can garbanzo beans

sun-dried or dehydrated tomatoes

1 pack coconut milk powder

2 pack tikki masala powder (or to taste)

Dehydrate chicken and garbanzo beans

Mix ingredients together

To rehydrate boil 32 ox water, drop in ingredients, let cook 5-8 minutes, let sit for 10 minutes

#### **Pudding Pie**

Recipe by TJ Miller

1 pack instant pudding

1/4 cup nuts (pistachios, almonds, peanuts)

6 Tbsp powdered milk

Optional toppings: crumbled oreos, nilla wafers, graham

crackers, etc.

Rehydrate pudding and milk, add nuts and toppings

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