Kítchín Líst Sample Weekly Meal Plan, Grocery Líst, And Recípes

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## **NOTES:**

- This menu is designed to feed 6 adults.
- We recommend you read through the week's meal plan before heading to the grocery store.
- Sunday suppers are designed with the flexibility to be primarily prepared the day before, leaving minimal prep work for Sunday.
- Feel free to rearrange the meal plan according to your scheduling needs.
- Desserts/treat recipes are only included once a week (usually Sundays) in addition to holidays; This does not mean that you should not enjoy dessert on other days, just make sure you add the ingredients/items for additional desserts to your shopping list.
- Grocery Lists do not include beverages, unless noted.

# **PANTRY ESSENTIALS**

(these are assumed to be in your kitchen at all times)

Spices:	Baking:
- Black Pepper	- Unbleached All-Purpose Flour
- Cayenne Pepper	- Whole Wheat Flour
- Cumin	- Cornmeal
- Dried Basil	- Granulated Sugar
- Dried Bay Leaves	- Light Brown Sugar
- Dried Chives	- Pure Stevia Extract Powder
- Dried Dill Weed	- Baking Soda
- Dried Parsley Flakes	- Baking Powder
- Dried Thyme Leaves	- Baking Cocoa
- Garlic Powder	- Cream of Tartar
- Ground Allspice	- Vanilla Extract
- Ground Cardamom	- Honey
- Ground Cinnamon	- Instant Yeast
- Ground Cloves	<b>Cooking:</b>
- Ground Ginger	- White Vinegar
- Ground Mustard	- Apple Cider Vinegar
- Ground Nutmeg	- Worcestershire Sauce
- Ground Oregano	- Mesquite Liquid Smoke <sup>©</sup>
- Ground Turmeric	- Cooking Spray
- Mild Chili Powder	- Olive Oil
- Onion Powder	- Coconut Oil
- Paprika	- Avocado Oil
- Poultry Seasoning	- Low Sodium Chicken Bouillon
- Pumpkin Pie Spice	- Low Sodium Beef Bouillon
- Salt (plain/sea salt and kosher)	- Low Sodium Soy Sauce
- Seasoned Salt	- Long-Grain Jasmine Rice

#### Monday:

- Sheet Pan Sausages, Peppers, and Onions
- Yellow Rice
- Minted Lemon Butter Peas

#### **Tuesday:**

- Crockpot Taco Soup
- Tortilla Chips
- Roasted Broccoli and Cauliflower

#### Wednesday:

- Roasted Chicken Drumsticks
- Baked Sweet Potatoes with Butter
- Wedge Salads

### **Thursday:**

- French Toast Bake with Syrup
- Oven-Cooked Bacon
- Cantaloupe and Pineapple Cubes

## Friday:

- Pepperoni Calzones
- Frozen Green Beans

## **Saturday:**

- Sesame Chicken
- Vegetable Lo Mein

#### **Sunday:**

- Marinated Pork Roast
- Chive Mashed Potatoes
- Roasted Carrots
- Salad Kit of Choice
- Apple Crisp with Vanilla Ice Cream

## **Grocery List:**

#### Pantry:

1 can (14.5 oz.) Diced Tomatoes

1 can (15 oz.) Tomato Sauce

1 can (28 oz.) Tomato Puree

1 can (15.25 oz.) No-Salt-Added Corn

1 can (15 oz.) Black Beans

1 can (15.5 oz.) Pinto Beans

Mayonnaise (1/3 cup)

Bacon Bits (1/4 cup)

Lemon Juice (3 Tbsp.)

Syrup (for French Toast Bake)

Hoisin Sauce (3 Tbsp.)

Toasted Sesame Seed Oil (1 Tbsp.)

Sesame Seeds (3 Tbsp.)

Reduced Sodium Taco Seasoning (1 pkt. – 1 oz.)

Dried Mint (1/2 tsp.)

Garlic Salt

Red Pepper Flakes, optional

Cornstarch (3 Tbsp.)

Old Fashioned Oatmeal (1 1/2 cups)

Spaghetti (12 oz.)

French Bread (1 loaf - 14 oz.)

Tortilla Chips

#### **Produce:**

Bell Peppers (3 multicolored and 3 green)

Onions (3)

Baby Carrots (2 lb.)

Whole Mushrooms (8 oz.)

Iceberg Lettuce (1 large head)

Family-Size Salad Kit (flavor of your choice)

Tomatoes (2)

Green Onions (1 bunch)

Potatoes (3 lbs.)

Sweet Potatoes (6 medium)

Apples (3 lbs.) [Granny Smith or Fuji]

Cantaloupe (1)

Pineapple (1)

#### **Meat:**

Sliced Pepperoni (6 oz.)

Ground Beef (1 lb.)

Chicken Drumsticks (4 lbs.)

Boneless Skinless Chicken Breasts (1 1/2 lbs.)

Bacon (1 lb.)

Smoked Sausage Links (24 oz.)

Boneless Pork Loin (3-4 lbs.)

## Dairy and Eggs:

Shredded Cheddar Cheese (for topping Taco Soup)

Shredded Mozzarella Cheese (6 oz.)

Plain Yogurt (1 1/3 cups)

Sour Cream (1/3 cup + for topping Taco Soup)

Butter (3 sticks and 1 Tbsp.)

Milk (3 1/2 cups)

Eggs (8)

#### Frozen:

2 bags (12 oz. each) Frozen Peas

2 bags (12 oz. each) Frozen Broccoli

1 bag (12 oz.) Frozen Cauliflower

1 bag (20 oz.) Frozen Stir-Fry Blend

Frozen Green Beans (1 meal's worth)

Vanilla Ice Cream (for serving with Apple Crisp), optional

#### **Sheet Pan Sausages, Peppers, and Onions**

- 24 oz. smoked sausage links (mild or spicy), cut into rounds
- 2 onions, thinly sliced
- 3 green bell peppers, thinly sliced
- 3 multicolored bell peppers, thinly sliced
- 2 Tbsp. olive oil
- 3/4 tsp. garlic powder
- 1/2 tsp. kosher salt
- 1/2 tsp. dried basil
- 1/4 tsp. ground oregano
- 1/4 tsp. black pepper

- 1. Line a rimmed sheet pan with aluminum foil; grease.
- 2. Add the peppers and onions to the sheet pan.
- 3. Drizzle with olive oil and sprinkle with spices.
- 4. Mix to distribute evenly.
- 5. Add the sausage slices and mix again.
- 6. Bake at 400°F for 35-40 minutes, stirring halfway.

#### **Yellow Rice**

- 1 1/2 cups long-grain jasmine rice
- 1 Tbsp. olive oil
- 3 cups chicken broth from bouillon
- 1 tsp. onion powder
- 3/4 tsp. ground turmeric
- 1/4 tsp. black pepper
- 1/4 tsp. garlic powder

- 1. In a large saucepan, heat the oil over low heat.
- 2. Add the rice.
- 3. Toast the rice until lightly golden and fragrant.
- 4. Add the broth and spices (there will be a loud sizzling and steam).
- 5. Bring to a boil, cover, turn down heat, and simmer for 15-20 minutes.
- 6. Once all the liquid is absorbed remove from the heat.
- 7. Cover and let sit 5 minutes.
- 8. Fluff with a fork before serving.

#### **Minted Lemon Butter Peas**

- 2 bags (12 oz.) frozen peas
- 3 Tbsp. butter, melted
- 1 Tbsp. lemon juice
- 1/2 tsp. dried mint
- 1/2 tsp. dried basil
- 1/2 tsp. salt

- 1. Cook the peas in the microwave or on the stovetop.
- 2. In a small bowl, combine the butter, lemon juice, mint, basil, and salt.
- 3. Pour over the peas and stir to coat evenly.

#### **Crockpot Taco Soup**

- 1 lb. ground beef
- 2 tsp. olive oil
- 1 onion, diced
- 1 can (15 oz.) black beans, drained
- 1 can (15 oz.) pinto beans, drained
- 1 can (15.25 oz.) no-salt added corn, drained
- 1 can (14.5 oz.) diced tomatoes
- 1 can (15 oz.) tomato sauce
- 2 cups beef broth from bouillon
- 1 pkt. (1 oz.) reduced sodium taco seasoning
- 1/2 tsp. onion powder
- 1/2 tsp. garlic powder
- 1/4 tsp. dried dill weed
- 1/2 tsp. dried chives

Shredded Cheddar Cheese, for serving

Sour Cream, for serving

- 1. In a large pot, brown and crumble the beef; drain and add to the slow cooker.
- 2. In the same pot, heat the oil.
- 3. Add the onion and sauté for 3-5 minutes.
- 4. Transfer to the slow cooker.
- 5. Add the beans, corn, diced tomatoes, tomato sauce, beef broth, taco seasoning, and spices; stir to combine.
- 6. Cook on Low for 6-8 hours or High for 3-4 hours.
- 7. Serve with sour cream and cheese.

#### Roasted Broccoli and Cauliflower

- 2 bags (12 oz.) frozen broccoli
- 1 bag (12 oz.) frozen cauliflower
- 1 Tbsp. olive oil
- 1/2 tsp. garlic powder
- 1/2 tsp. Kosher salt
- 1/4 tsp. black pepper

- 1. Line a rimmed sheet pan with aluminum foil.
- 2. Add the broccoli and cauliflower.
- 3. Drizzle with oil and sprinkle with seasonings.
- 4. Bake at 450°F for 12.
- 5. Broil for 5-7 minutes or until the vegetables are lightly browned.

#### **Roasted Chicken Drumsticks**

- 4 lbs. chicken drumsticks
- 1 1/2 tsp. salt
- 1 tsp. paprika
- 3/4 tsp. black pepper
- 1/2 tsp. garlic powder

- 1. Line a rimmed baking sheet with aluminum foil; grease.
- 2. Place the chicken on the pan, evenly spaced apart.
- 3. In a small bowl, mix the spices.
- 4. Rub each drumstick with seasoning.
- 5. Bake at 425°F for 35-45 minutes or until an inserted thermometer reads 165°F.

#### **Baked Sweet Potatoes**

6 medium-sized sweet potatoes, washed

1 Tbsp. olive oil

Salt and pepper

Butter for serving, optional

Brown sugar for serving, optional

Cinnamon for serving, optional

- 1. Use a fork to pierce holes (about 10) in the sweet potatoes.
- 2. Rub the outside of each potato with oil and sprinkle with salt and pepper.
- 3. Wrap each potato in aluminum foil.
- 4. Bake at 400°F for 45-60 minutes, or until easily pierced by a knife.
- 5. Serve with butter, brown sugar, and cinnamon, if desired.

## Wedge Salads

- 1 large head iceberg lettuce, outer leaves removed and washed
- 2 tomatoes, diced
- 1/4 cup bacon bits

Ranch Dressing [recipe follows]

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- 1. Cut the head of lettuce into 6 wedges.
- 2. Microwave the bacon bits (make sure to cover them) for 30 seconds.
- 3. Top each wedge with dressing, tomatoes, and bacon bits.

## **Ranch Dressing**

- 1/3 cup mayonnaise
- 1/3 cup plain yogurt
- 1/3 cup sour cream
- 1 tsp. dried dill weed
- 1/2 tsp. dried parsley flakes
- 1/2 tsp. dried chives
- 1/2 tsp. garlic powder
- 1/2 tsp. salt
- 1/4 tsp. onion powder
- 1/4 tsp. black pepper
- 2 tsp. vinegar
- 1/2 tsp. Worcestershire sauce
- 1/3-3/4 cup milk, as needed for consistency

1. Whisk all the ingredients (start with 1/3 cup milk, adding more as needed).

This makes about 1 1/2 cups.

#### French Toast Bake

1 loaf French bread, cut into 1-inch cubes

8 eggs

2 cups milk

1 cup plain yogurt

1/4 cup honey

1 1/2 tsp. cinnamon

1 tsp. vanilla extract

1/2 tsp. salt

1/4 cup maple syrup + more for topping

- 1. Add the bread cubes to a greased 9x13" pan.
- 2. In a large bowl, whisk together the eggs, milk, yogurt, honey, cinnamon, vanilla, and salt.
- 3. Pour over the bread cubes.
- 4. Drizzle with 1/4 cup syrup.
- 5. Cover and bake at 350°F for 25 minutes.
- 6. Uncover and bake for 15-20 minutes longer, or until an inserted knife comes out clean.
- 7. Serve with syrup.

#### **Oven-Cooked Bacon**

## 1 pound bacon

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- 1. Line a rimmed baking pan with aluminum foil.
- 2. Lay out the bacon in an even layer on the prepared pan.
- 3. Bake at 400°F for 20 minutes, or until perfectly crispy.
- 4. Remove to a paper towel-lined plate to drain.

#### Pepperoni Calzones

- 2 1/4 tsp. yeast
- 1 tsp. sugar
- 1 1/2 cups warm water (110-115°F)
- 3 Tbsp. olive oil
- 1 1/2 tsp. salt
- 1 tsp. vinegar
- $3 \frac{3}{4} 4 \text{ cups flour}$
- 1 1/2 cups shredded mozzarella cheese
- 1 pkg. (6 oz.) sliced pepperoni
- 2 Tbsp. butter, melted

Garlic salt

Pizza sauce, for dipping

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- 1. In the bowl of a stand mixer, dissolve the yeast and sugar in the warm water; let stand 5 minutes.
- 2. Add the oil, salt, vinegar, and 2 1/2 cups flour; beat on low speed until smooth.
- 3. Begin kneading the dough on low speed, gradually adding enough remaining flour to form a dough.
- 4. Knead for about 7 minutes total. You may not need all of the flour. The dough should be slightly sticky to the touch, smooth, and elastic.
- 5. Place the dough ball in a greased bowl (you can use the stand mixer's bowl), turning once to grease the top of the ball.
- 6. Cover and let rise for 1-1 1/2 hours in a warm place.
- 7. Punch dough down and turn onto a floured lightly surface.
- 8. Divide the dough into 6 pieces.
- 9. Roll each piece into a circle about 1/4" thick.
- 10. Top each circle with 1/4 cup shredded mozzarella and 1 oz. pepperoni, only placing on one half of the circle and leaving room at the edges (semicircle shape).

- 11. Fold the other half of the circle over and use a fork's tines to seal the edges and create a pretty pattern.
- 12. Use the fork to prick a few holes in the top of each calzone.
- 13. Transfer to two greased baking sheets.
- 14. Brush the calzones with the butter and sprinkle with garlic salt.
- 15. Bake at 450°F for 12-15 minutes (monitor carefully after the 12-minute mark).
- 16. Serve with warm pizza sauce for dipping.

This makes 6 hearty calzones.

#### Pizza Sauce

1 can (28 oz.) tomato puree (sauce in a pinch)

1 tsp. salt (1/2 tsp. if using tomato sauce)

1/4 tsp. ground oregano

1/4 tsp. dried basil

1/4 tsp. ground or dried marjoram, optional

1/2 tsp. dried thyme leaves

1 tsp. garlic powder

1 tsp. onion powder

1/16 tsp. cayenne pepper

1 tsp. paprika

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1. Blend all the ingredients together.

This makes 2 pizzas worth of sauce (or the equivalent of 2 - 14 oz. jars of pizza sauce).

#### Sesame Chicken

- 1 1/2 lbs. boneless skinless chicken breasts, cut into bite-sized pieces
- 3 Tbsp. cornstarch
- 1/16 tsp. salt
- 1/16 tsp. pepper
- 1 Tbsp. olive oil
- 4 1/2 Tbsp. low sodium soy sauce
- 3 Tbsp. honey
- 1/2 tsp. garlic powder
- 1/8 tsp. ground ginger
- 3 Tbsp. sesame seeds
- 1 Tbsp. sesame oil

- 1. In a large plastic bag, combine the cornstarch, salt, and pepper.
- 2. Add the chicken and shake to coat the pieces evenly.
- 3. In a small bowl, whisk together the soy sauce, honey, garlic powder, ginger, sesame seeds, and sesame oil.
- 4. Heat the olive oil in a skillet over medium heat.
- 5. Add the chicken pieces.
- 6. Cook until golden brown, crispy, and cooked through (cut a piece in half to check).
- 7. Add the sauce and stir to coat the chicken.
- 8. Allow to simmer for 3-4 minutes or until the sauce is thick and sticky.

#### Vegetable Lo Mein

- 1 Tbsp. olive oil
- 1 bag (20 oz.) frozen stir-fry vegetable blend
- 2 Tbsp. water
- 6 Tbsp. low sodium soy sauce
- 3 Tbsp. Hoisin sauce
- 1 Tbsp. toasted sesame oil
- 1/16 tsp. pure stevia extract powder (or 2 Tbsp. brown sugar)
- 1 tsp. garlic powder
- 1/2 tsp. onion powder
- 1/2 tsp. ground ginger
- 1/4 tsp. black pepper
- 1/4-3/4 tsp. red pepper flakes, optional
- 12 oz. dry spaghetti noodles, cooked

- 1. In a large skillet, heat the olive oil; add the stir fry vegetable blend and water.
- 2. Cover and cook over medium heat for 10 minutes, or until crisp-tender.
- 3. While the vegetables are cooking, whisk together the soy sauce, Hoisin sauce, sesame oil, stevia, garlic powder, onion powder, ginger, black pepper, and red pepper flakes in a small bowl.
- 4. Add the spaghetti noodles to the skillet; pour over the sauce mixture.
- 5. Turn off heat; stir to coat evenly.
- 6. Let rest for 3-5 minutes before serving.

#### **Marinated Pork Roast**

- 3-4 lb. boneless pork loin
- 1 bunch green onions, sliced
- 2 1/4 cups chicken broth, from bouillon, divided
- 1/4 cup apple cider vinegar
- 2 Tbsp. olive oil
- 3/4 tsp. garlic powder
- 1/2 Tbsp. dried thyme leaves
- 1/2 tsp. black pepper
- 1 tsp. salt

8 oz. whole mushrooms, halved

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- 1. Place the pork loin in a large resealable bag.
- 2. Add the green onions.
- 3. In a small bowl, whisk 1/4 cup broth, vinegar, oil, garlic powder, thyme, and pepper; add to the bag.
- 4. Seal the bag and refrigerate for 4-8 hours or overnight.
- 5. Remove the pork from the bag and place fat-side up in a 9x13" pan.
- 6. Pour the marinade and remaining 2 cups of broth over the pork.
- 7. Sprinkle with salt and add the mushrooms.
- 8. Bake at  $350^{\circ}$ F for 2-2 1/2 hours, or until an inserted thermometer reads  $165^{\circ}$ F.
- 9. Remove the pork and mushrooms to a serving platter.
- 10. Let rest for 10 minutes before serving.

#### **Chive Mashed Potatoes**

- 3 lbs. potatoes (either washed, peeled, or a mix of both)
- 4 Tbsp. butter
- 2/3 cup milk
- 3/4 tsp. garlic powder
- 1/2 tsp. salt
- 1/4 tsp. black pepper
- 1 Tbsp. dried chives
- 1 Tbsp. dried parsley flakes

- 1. Cut the potatoes into chunks.
- 2. Boil the potatoes in a large pot until fork-tender.
- 3. Drain the potatoes.
- 4. Add the butter, milk, garlic powder, salt, pepper, chives, and parsley.
- 5. Once the butter is melted, use a hand mixer to beat until smooth and fluffy.

#### **Roasted Carrots**

- 2 lbs. baby carrots
- 2 Tbsp. olive oil
- 1 Tbsp. honey
- 1/2 tsp. paprika
- 1/2 tsp. salt
- 1/4 tsp. black pepper
- 1/4 tsp. onion powder

- 1. Line a rimmed baking sheet with aluminum foil; grease.
- 2. Dump the carrots onto the prepared pan.
- 3. Drizzle with oil and honey, and sprinkle with spices.
- 4. Use your hands to toss gently to evenly distribute.
- 5. Bake at 400°F for 18-20 minutes, or until fork-tender and crispy.

#### **Apple Crisp**

- 3 lbs. Granny Smith or Fuji apples (peeled, unpeeled, or a mix of both)
- 1/4 cup + 2 Tbsp. sugar
- 2 Tbsp. lemon juice
- 1 1/2 cups old fashioned oatmeal
- 1 cup flour
- 1 cup brown sugar
- 1 Tbsp. cinnamon
- 1/2 tsp. ground nutmeg
- 1/4 tsp. baking soda
- 1/2 cup butter, melted

Vanilla ice cream for serving, optional

- 1. Slice the apples.
- 2. Place in greased 9x13" pan.
- 3. Sprinkle with the sugar and lemon juice; mix to coat evenly.
- 4. In a large bowl, mix the oatmeal, flour, brown sugar, cinnamon, nutmeg, and baking soda.
- 5. Add the butter and mix until crumbly and moist throughout.
- 6. Bake at 350°F for 35-45 minutes or until browned.
- 7. Serve warm with vanilla ice cream, if desired.

This makes a 9x13" pan.