

# ANTI-INFLAMMATORY NUTRITION GUIDE

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Inflammation is a natural response by the body to fight infections and injuries. However, agerelated diseases have a common root: Chronic low-level inflammation. Chronic inflammation encourages vulnerability to allergies, auto-immune disease, pain, arthritis, and long-term risk of agerelated disease.

Adopting healthy eating habits incorporating certain foods, like lower glycemic foods or foods high in omega-3 fatty acids and antioxidants, can decrease inflammation and/or protect tissues from inflammatory damage.

Limiting the consumption of animal foods can help reduce inflammation. Always opt for the highest quality products – fresh in season, freshly frozen, locally raised, local, and organic when possible.

SUPPLEMENTS Omega 3 Co-enzyme Q10 Vitamin D3 Fish oil Molecularly distilled Curcumin Zinc (not to exceed 30mg per day)

Supplements help you get your daily requirement of micronutrients that may be missing from your diet.

#### TEA

Green Ginger White Chamomile Oolong Turmeric Peppermint & Spearmint

2–4 cups per day Tea contains powerful catechin antioxidants that fight inflammation.

### ALCOHOL

**Red wine** (optional-organic if possible)

Red wine contains resveratrol, a natural antioxidant. No more than 1–2 glasses

#### HERBS AND SPICES

Garlic Ginger Turmeric Curry powder Chili peppers Basil Rosemary Thyme Cinnamon



Unlimited amounts. Certain herbs and spices are natural anti-inflammatory agents.

## SOURCES OF PROTEIN Wild Alaskan salmon Tuna Alaskan black cod Herring

Sardines

2–6 servings per week. These fish are rich in anti-inflammatory omega-3 fatty acids.



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## SOURCES OF PROTEIN

Beans (anasazi, adzuki) Lentils Peas Chickpeas Black-eyed peas

1 – 2 servings Legumes are a low glycemic load food, rich in folic acid, magnesium, potassium, and soluble fiber.

#### SOURCES OF PROTEIN

Edamame

Tempeh

Tofu

Soy milk

Soy nuts

1 – 2 servings Whole soy foods provide isoflavones, free radical scavenging antioxidants.

#### SOURCES OF PROTEIN

Nuts and seeds Almonds Walnuts Hemp Flax

1–2 serving daily Chia Nuts and seeds are sources of healthy fats rich in monounsaturated and omega-3 fatty acids.

### SOURCE OF PROTEIN

#### Animal meats

1-2 servings weekly. Always select lean, locally raised.

GRAINS Barley Basmati rice Brown rice Buckwheat Groats Quinoa Steel-cut oats Wild rice



3 – 5 daily servings Compared to highlyprocessed grains. Whole and cracked grains digest slowly, preventing blood sugar spikes, which contribute to inflammation.

#### VEGETABLES

Dark leafy greens (spinach, collard greens, kale, Swiss chard) Vegetables (broccoli, cabbage, Brussels sprouts, cauliflower, bok choy) Carrots Beets Onions Peas Squashes Sea vegetables

Unlimited amounts daily Raw and cooked vegetables are rich sources of flavonoids and carotenoids with antioxidant and antiinflammatory properties. Choose a colorful range to ensure a wide variety of vitamins and minerals. Eat the Rainbow!



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### MUSHROOMS

Asian mushrooms (enokidake, maitake, oyster, shiitake)

Unlimited. These mushrooms contain immune-enhancing compounds. Consume cooked varieties and avoid common commercial button mushrooms, which may include natural carcinogens.

## FRUIT

Lower glycemic fruits Raspberries Strawberries

Blueberries

Peaches Nectarines

**Red grapes** 

Pink grapefruit

Pomegranates Blackberries

3 – 4 daily Fruits are rich sources of

antioxidant and anti-inflammatory

properties. Choose as many colors as possible to ensure a wide range of

flavonoids and carotenoids with

vitamins and minerals.

Oranges

Plums

Cherries Apples

Pears



HEALTHY FATS

Extra virgin olive oil Expeller-pressed organic canola oil Walnut oil Hazelnut oil Organic expeller-pressed high oleic Sunflower or Safflower oil

5 – 7 daily Healthy fats are rich in monounsaturated or omega-3 fatty acids. Extra-virgin olive oil is high in polyphenols with antioxidant activity.

## **HEALTHY SWEETS**

Honey Plain dark chocolate (at least 70% pure cocoa)

Raw cacao In moderation, Raw cacao provides polyphenols and potent antioxidants.

WATER
Plain
add
Lemon
Lime
Spearmint
Blueberries

Water helps the body flush out toxins; you should drink all day long. End at 7pm or at least 2 hours before bed.

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