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Eating for Optimal Health

Vegetables

- * Eat as many vegetable as you like, especially greens and richly colored veggies.
- * Include starchy vegetables at a level that fits your carbohydrate needs.

Greens	cabbage	tomatoes
kale swiss chard collard greens salad greens	cauliflower bussels sprouts onion	eggplant okra mushrooms
arugula spinach beet greens bok choy rapini	Colorful Vegetables bell peppers beets zucchini summer squashes	Starchy Roots & Plants sweet potatoes plantains carrots winter squashes
Sulfur-Rich Veggies	chayote asparagus cucumber	turnips parsnips rutabaga
broccoli	celery	sunchokes

Protein

^{*} Have plenty of healthy protein. Eat as much as is satisfying.

Eggs	Chicken	Heart	
Beef	Breast	Marrow	
Steak	Legs	Lamb	
Roasts	Thighs	Bison	
Stew	Duck	Game Meats	
Ribs	Quail	Venison	
Pork	Organ Meats	Pheasant	
Chops	Liver	Fish	
Loin	Kidney	Shellfish	
Ground Pork	Tripe		
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Fats

- * Eat plenty of healthy fats. There is no need to avoid saturated or mono-unsaturated fats.
- * Be cautious of polyunsaturated fats: emphasize Omega-3 and avoid excessive Omega-6 fats.
- * Eliminate industrial seed oil, vegetable oils, and all trans-fats.

Saturated Fats Olive Oil
Coconut Avocado

Lard Nuts & Nut Oil

Bacon Grease

Butter (grass-fed)

Ghee

Coconut Milk

Flax Seed

Fish & Fish Oil

Mono-Unsaturated

Fats

Vegetable & Omega-6 Fats

Canola Soy

Vegetable Oil Corn Oil

Trans-Fats

Hydrogenated and partially

hydrogenated oils

Fruit

- * Eat several servings of fruit daily.
- * If you have blood-sugar issues or carbohydrate sensitivities, you may need to limit your fruit intake or stick to lower-sugar choices.

bananas	pear	peach
apples	cherry	papaya
berries	fig	grape
canteloupe	date	grapefruit
melon	kiwi	persimmon
mango	lemon	passionfruit
orange	apricot	•

Superfoods

- * Incorporate some health-boosting super foods daily.
- * Fermented foods must be unpasteurized to contain beneficial organisms. If you are not accustomed to consuming, begin with very small amounts and slowly increase.

Flora-Enhancing Foods	Liver & Organ Meats	Garlic
sauerkraut		Parsley
kimchee	Bone Broth	Cilantro
lacto-fermented veg-		Cinnamon
etables	Seaweed & Kelp	
kefir		
yogurt	Spices	
miso	Turmeric	
beet kvass	Ginger	

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Dairy

- * Dairy is a healthy food if well tolerated, but intolerance to some or all dairy products is quite common.
- * Only consume dairy that is full-fat, not reduced-fat or skim. Emphasize grass-fed and organic sources.
- * Fermented dairy is easiest to digest for many people.

Ghee	Kefir	Sour Cream	
Butter	Cheese	Milk	
Yogurt	Cream		

Grains & Legumes

- * Grains and legumes, especially gluten-containing grains, are problematic for many people.
- * When grains or legumes are consumed, they should always be properly prepared by soaking, sprouting, or fermenting to break down phytic acid and increase digestibility.

Non-Gluten Grains	Gluten Grains	Legumes	
Rice	Wheat	Lentils	
Millet	Rye	Beans	
Quinoa	Barley	Chickpeas	
Corn	Oats*	Peas	
		Lima Beans	

Foods to Limit and Avoid

- * Eliminate all added and refined sugars. Small amounts of naturally occurring sugars are okay if well tolerated.
- * All grain flours, including whole grain flours, should be avoided. Small amounts of nut flours are okay.