

Grocery Store Survival Guide: Healthy Buys

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Use this guide to make grocery shopping faster and easier! You will see specific brand recommendations for common foods listed on your meal plan. You will also see label reading tips to help you choose the best product.

Food Item	Healthy Product Recommendations	Label & Nutrient Alerts! Things to look for & Things to watch out for
Bread Products		
Bread	Natural Oven's Multi-Grain Stay Trim, 100%	Choose whole grains for fiber!
	Whole Grain, Multigrain or Mild Rye	Look for 100% whole wheat or
	Oroweat 100% Whole Wheat,	grain on the package or whole
	Whole Grain or any Light variety	wheat or grain flour as the first
	Healthy Choice 100% Whole Grain	item on the ingredients list.
	Brownberry 100% Whole Grain	
	Alvarado Street Bakery Sprouted Breads	High Fiber: 5 or more grams per
	Trader Joe's Sprouted Breads	serving
	Arnold Bakery Carb Counting Wheat	
	Sara Lee 100% Whole Wheat or Multi-Grain	Good Source of Fiber: 2.5-4.9
	Baker's Inn 100% Whole Wheat	grams per serving
	Earth Grain's 100% Whole Wheat	
	Bohemian Hearth 100% Whole Wheat	More or added fiber: at least 2.5
	Healthy Life All Varities	grams or more per serving than
		the original
		Aim for 25-35 grams of fiber per day!
Bagels	Natural Oven's Brainy Bagel or Whole Grain	Choose bagels with less than
	Brownberry Health Nut	300 calories and more than 5 g
	Oroweat 100% Whole Wheat or Health Nut	of fiber
	Thomas' Carb Counting Wheat	
	Thomas' 100% Whole Wheat	
Buns/ Rolls	Natural Oven	
	The Baker 9-Grain Whole Wheat	
	Healthy Life	
	Oroweat Health Nut	
Pita Bread	Sahara Whole Wheat Pita	
	Trader Joe's Whole Wheat Pita	
	Sara Lee 100% Whole Wheat	

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English Muffins	Thomas' Honey Wheat Thomas' Light Oroweat Whole Wheat or Multi-Grain	
Tortillas	La Tortilla Factory Original Low Carb & Whole Wheat Trader Joe's Low Carb Flour or Whole Wheat Tortillas Alvarado Street Bakery Ezekiel Sprouted Tortillas Any corn tortilla **Look for 6-8 inch tortillas**	 *Check for Trans Fats! Is "hydrogenated" or "partially hydrogenated" listed on the in- gredients list? If so, move on! What are Net Carbs? What are Net Carbs? Net Carbs, Low Carb, Effective Carbs, Low Carbs, etc. are not approved as definitions by the FDA. These products usually replace flour and sugar with wheat protein, fiber, soy protein or artificial sweeteners. They may also include sugar alcohols or more fat. Choose healthy items by look- ing at the total carbohydrate
		content listed on the food label. Choose foods high in fiber and low in added sugars.
Waffles	Kashi Van's Optimum	Watch out for trans fats!

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Cereals		mings to watch out for
	Kashi	Choose cereals with more than
Cold	Nature's Path	3 grams of fiber and less than 10
	Health Valley	grams of sugar per serving. As
	Fiber One or All-Bran	always, the more fiber the better!
	Shredded Wheat	always, the more liber the better.
	Wheat Chex	
	Grape Nuts (limit to 1/2 cup portion)	
	Grape Nut Flakes	
	Cheerios	
	Bran Flakes	
	Barbara's Bakery	
	Uncle Sam Cereal	
	Quaker Oat Bran or Crunchy	
	Corn Bran	
Hot - Instant	Quaker Instant Oatmeal, regular	
	Erewhon Instant Oatmeal with Oat Bran	
	Erewhon Instant Oatmeal, flavored	
	Arrowhead Mills Instant Multigrain	
	Roman Meal Instant Cream of Rye	
	Nature's Path Instant Oatmeal	
Hot - Non-Instant	Oats (quick, rolled or steel cut), any brand	
	Kashi Breakfast Pilaf	
	Nature's Path Multi-Grain or Oat Bran	
	Cereal	
	Roman Meal Cream of Rye or Multi-Grain	
	Arrowhead Mills Oat Bran, Cracked Wheat,	
	4-Grain with Flax or 7-Grain	
	Wheatena Oraclass Oct During an Multi-Casia	
	Quaker Oat Bran or Multi-Grain	
	Erewhon Oat Bran with Wheat Germ	
	<i>Mother's</i> Oat Bran or Whole Wheat Hot	
	Natural	

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Grains		mings to watch out for
Couscous	Trader Joe's Whole Wheat	
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	Casbah- all varieties	
Pasta	Eddie's Whole Wheat Spaghetti	
	Trader Joe's Whole Wheat Pasta	
	Westbrae Natural Whole Wheat or Spinach	
	Spaghetti	
	Hodgson Mill Whole Wheat Spaghetti	
	Prince Healthy Harvest Whole Wheat Blend	
	Pasta	
Quinoa	Trader Joe's Organic Quinoa	
	Ancient Harvest Quinoa	
Rice	Success Boil-in-the-Bag Brown Rice	Look for grains with at least 2
	Trader Joe's California Aromatic Brown	grams of fiber per serving. More
	Rice	is even better!
	Trader Joe's California Rice Trilogy	
	Trader Joe's Brown Rice Medley Lundberg	
	Brown Rice	
	Trader Joe's Brown Basmati	
Other	Be adventurous and give Bulgur, Kasha,	
	Buckwheat or Barley a try!	
Dairy		
Cheese	Heavenly Light Swiss	Look for cheese with less than 5
	Jarlsberg Lite Sliced Reduced Fat Swiss	grams of fat per ounce.
	Alpine Lace Reduced Fat	
	Cabot Reduced Fat Cheddar	
	Sargento Reduced Fat, shredded or Deli	
	Style, sliced	
	Laughing Cow Light Creamy Swiss, Garlic	
	Herb or French Onion Cheese Wedge	
	Laughing Cow Mini Babybel Light Original	
	Kraft 2% sliced, shredded or block	

Food Item Dairy (continued)	Healthy Product Recommendations	Label & Nutrient Alerts! Things to look for & Things to watch out for
Milk	Any brand of fat-free! Any brand of 1%!	Milk and yogurt contain the natural sugar lactose. They also offer protein, calcium and vita- min D.
Sour Cream	<i>Knudsen</i> Fat-Free or Light <i>Naturally Yours</i> Fat-Free <i>Lucerne</i> Low-Fat <i>Deans</i> Low-Fat <i>Breakstone</i> Low-Fat	
Smoothies	<i>Nouriche</i> Light <i>Dannon</i> Light and Fit	
Yogurt	<i>Dannon</i> Light and Fit <i>Yoplait</i> Light, Nonfat <i>Horizon</i> Fat-Free <i>Stoneyfield</i> Low-Fat or Nonfat <i>Cascadian Farms</i> Nonfat or Low-Fat Any Fat-Free Plain	Watch for added sugars. Look for clues on the ingredients list like sugar, sucrose or high fructose corn syrup. Limit added sugars to less than 10% of your total calories (On a 1500 calorie diet that = 150 calories from sugar. 150 calories of sugar is = to 37.5 grams of sugar). Choose "Light" yogurts sweet- ened with artificial sweetener or buy plain yogurt and sweeten naturally with fruit!
Produce	1	
Canned Fruits *Make sure to drain*	<i>Libby's</i> Guava, Papaya, Mango or Mixed Fruit <i>Del Monte</i> or <i>Geisha</i> Mandarin Orange Sections <i>Dole</i> Tropical Fruit Salad Unsweetened Applesauce	Fruit contains the natural sugar fructose along with fiber, vita- mins, minerals and phytonutri- ents. Choose fresh or frozen more often and canned (in own juice, drained) or dried less often.

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Produce (continued)		
Dried Fruit	<i>Sun-Maid</i> Raisins Mini Snack Packs Portion controlled packets of <i>Craisins</i> Portion controlled packets of <i>Sunsweet</i> Prunes (3 prunes in one pack)	
Vegetables	Trader Joe's Herb Salad Mix Trader Joe's Stir-Fry Veggies Cool Cuts Ranch/Carrot or Celery/Peanut Butter Combo Trader Joe's Organic Arugula Mann's Sugar Snap Peas	**Most fresh & frozen veggies are unlimited!
Soy Products		
Soy Cheese	Yves Good Slices and Good Shreds TofuRella Soy Kaas	
Soy Meat Alternatives	Soy Kaas Boca - all varieties Morningstar - all varieties Yves - all varieties Gimmie Lean Dr. Praeger's Veggie Burgers Trader Joe's Meatless Meatballs Amy's Veggie Burgers Lightlife - all varieties Gardenburger - all varieties Tofurky - all varieties	Foods containing soy can be marked with a health claim saying it can reduce the risk of heart disease if the food con- tains (per serving):6.25 grams of soy proteinLess than 3 grams of fatLess than 1 gram of saturated fatLess than 20 mg of cholesterolLess than 480 mg of sodium per serving

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Soy Products (contin	ued)	
Soy Milk	<i>Silk</i> Soy Milk	
	8th Continent Plain & Vanilla	
	8th Continent Light Chocolate, Light	
	Vanilla	
	Trader Joe's	
	Westsoy Low-Fat or Fat Free	
Soy Yogurt	Whole Soy	
	<i>Silk</i> Soy Yogurt	
	Stoneyfield	
Tofu - Plain	Azumaya	Firm tofu works well in stir-frys
	Nasoya	while soft or silken works great
	Whitewave Reduced Fat	in sauces!
	Mori-Nu Silken	
	Soy Deli Nigari Firm	
Tofu - Flavored	Soy Deli Baked or Smoked	Watch out for sodium!
	Nasoya Marinated	
	Wildwood Baked or Smoked	
	Trader Joe's Organic Baked Tofu	
	Whitewave Baked	
Vegetarian - Other	•	
Seitan	Whitewave Traditional, Seasoned or	
	Chicken Style	
Tempeh	Whitewave Soy Rice	
	Wildwood Soy Rice, Sea Veggie or Onion	
	Herb	
	Soy Deli Soy Tempeh	

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Nuts/Spreads		
Jams/Jellies	<i>Smucker's</i> Simply Fruit or Sugar-Free <i>Sorrell Ridge</i> 100% Fruit <i>Knott's</i> Light	Look for no added sugar or reduced sugar.
	Trader Joe's Organic Fruit Spreads	No added sugar: no sugar or ingredients containing sugar added during processing
		Reduced sugar: at least 25% less sugar than comparable food
		Sugar-free: less than 0.5 grams sugar per serving
Peanut Butter/ Nut Butters	Laura Scudder's Natural Peter Pan Natural Adam's Natural Trader Joe's Natural Maranatha Natural Almond Butter	Watch out for trans fats!
Meats		
Beef - Other	Extra lean ground beef Buffalo or Ostrich burger Veal	Watch for saturated fats and choose lean!
	Venison Lean Roast Beef Steak: filet mignon, flank, skirt, sirloin	Limit intake to 10% of total calories. Look at saturated fat content on the food label. Low in saturated fat = less than 1
Chicken/Turkey	Extra lean ground turkey Skinless turkey or chicken breast	gram per serving Extra lean: less than 5 grams fat, less than 2 grams saturated fat
	Deli sliced turkey or chicken breast Chicken, canned in water	and less than 2 grams saturated fat and less than 95 mg cholesterol per serving Lean: less than 10 grams fat, less than 4 grams saturated fat and less than 95 mg cholesterol per serving

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Meats (continued)		
Pork	Pork loin Center cut pork chops Lean Ham Lean deli sliced ham	
Fish	Any fish or shellfish! Tuna or Salmon, canned in water	Look for Omega-3 Fatty Acids! Aim for 2 servings of omega-3 rich fish per week (only 2 3-oz portions). Choose salmon, lake trout, albacore tuna, herring, mackerel or sardines.
Soups		
Broth	Health Valley - choose no salt added Imagine Pacific Swanson Organic Vegetable Swanson Chicken Broth	
Chili	<i>Health Valley</i> - choose no salt added <i>Amy's</i> - all varieties <i>Trader Joe's</i> Black Bean Chili	
Soup	 Health Valley - great variety of lower so- dium soups, 40-90% less than comparable brands. Trader Joe's Chilled Gazpacho Imagine Creamy Tomato, Creamy Tomato & Roasted Red Pepper or Butternut Squash Nile Soup Cups - all varieties Amy's - choose Light in Sodium varieties Healthy Choice - all varieties Campbell's Healthy Request - all varieties McDougall's Soup Cups Progresso Black Bean or Lentil (*go easy, high in sodium) 	Watch out for sodium! Limit sodium to 2,400 mg or less per day. Look for sodium con- tent on the food label. Choose soups and canned items lower in sodium.

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Sauces		
Canned Tomatoes	<i>Muir Glen</i> Fire Roasted	
Tomato Sauce	 Amy's Organic Low Sodium Marinara Buitoni Garden Vegetable DiGiorno Marinara Classico Fire Roasted Tomato & Garlic Eden Organic Trader Joe's Marinara di Napoli Muir Glen Organic Prego Chunky Garden 	Watch out for sodium!
Condiments		
Margarine	Smart Balance Light Brummel and Brown Spectrum Naturals Take Control Light Benecol Light	Watch out for trans fats!
Mustard	<i>Koops Arizona</i> Heat Mustard <i>Grey Poupon</i> Country Dijon <i>Annie's</i> Naturals Dijon <i>Trader Joe's</i> Sweet and Hot	
Salad Dressing	 Kraft Light Done Right Good Seasonings 2 Good For You Newman's Own Lighten Up varieties Lighthouse Light Salsa Ranch Annie's Naturals Low-Fat Raspberry Vin- aigrette, Low-Fat Honey Mustard, Roasted Red Pepper or Low-Fat Gingerly Vinaigrette Trader Joe's Reduced Fat: Blue Cheese, Caesar, Cilantro, Creamy Basil, Mediterra- nean or Low-Fat Parmesan Ranch Seven Seas Reduced Fat Red Wine Vinai- grette Bernstein's Light varieties T Marzetti's Two Lightful varieties Follow Your Heart Low-Fat Caesar or Ranch 	Light, Low-fat, Reduced fat? Light: 33% fewer calories or 50% less fat per serving than a com- parable product Low-fat: 3 grams of fat or less per 100 calories Reduced Fat or Reduced Calo- ries: at least 25% less per serving compared to a reference food

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Frozen Meals		
Regular	Healthy Choice Weight Watchers Smart Ones Lean Cuisine Michelina's Lean Gourmet	Guidelines for choosing frozen entrees: 220-350 calories, < 4 grams satu-
		rated fat, >10 grams protein and < 800 mg sodium per entrée
Vegetarian	Amy's Cedarlane Cascadian Farm Ethnic Gourmet Celentano Whole Foods Trader Joe's Roasted Vegetable Enchiladas, Eggplant Parmesan or Black Bean and Corn Enchiladas	
Meal Replacement	S	
Meal Bars	Kashi Go Lean Power Bar Protein Plus Clif Bar Slim Fast Meal-On–The-Go Genisoy Balance Bar Zone Bar EAS Advantage Edge or Results for Women	Watch out for trans fats! Guidelines for choosing meal bars: 200-300 calories, < 4 g saturated fat and the more fiber the better!
Shakes	Kashi Go Lean Slim Fast Meal On-The-Go Balance Myoplex Glucerna Weight Management or Regular Boost Zone Perfect	Guidelines for choosing meal shakes: 200-300 calories, < 2 g saturated fat and the more fiber the better!

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Meal Replacement	S (continued)	
Snack Bars	Luna Bar	Guidelines for choosing snack
	Pria Bar	bars:
	<i>Slim Fast</i> Snack Bars	
	Dr. Soy	100-200 calories, <3 g saturated
	Kashi Go Lean Crunch	fat and the more fiber the better!
Snacks		
Chips	Baked Lays	Portion Control!
•	Baked Tostitos	
	Guiltless Gourmet	Look at the serving size and the
	Genisoy Soy Crisps	calories and fat. Will you eat
	Garden of Eatin Baked	more than one serving?
		Aim for approximately 200 calo-
		ries or less for snacks.
Pretzels	Rold Gold Heartzels	
	Pennysticks Brand	
	Newman's Own Spelt	
Crackers	Health Valley Low-Fat Whole Wheat	Watch out for trans fats!
	Ry-Krisp	
	Ryvita	
	Wasa Fibre Rye	
	Ak-Mak	
	Reduced Fat Triscuit	
	Kashi TLC 7-Grain	
	Hain Wheatettes	
	Whole Foods 365 Baked Woven Wheats	
	Trader Joe's Woven Wheat Wafers	
	Barbara's Bakery Wheatines	Watch out for transfatal
Graham Crackers	Health Valley Oat Bran or Rice Bran	Watch out for trans fats!
	Hain Honey or Cinnamon Grahams	
	New Morning Cinnamon Grahams	
	Barbara's Go Go Grahams (8 = 2 sheets)	

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Snacks (continued)		
Granola/Cereal/	Health Valley Bakes, Fruit Bars or Granola	Watch out for trans fats!
Fruit Bars	Bars	
	Nature's Choice - all varieties	
	Nature Valley Fruit and Nut Trail Mix Bars	
	or Crunchy Granola Bars	
Microwave	Smart Balance Low-Fat	Watch out for trans fats!
Popcorn	Bearitos No Oil Added	
	*Or, pop your own with an air popper!	
Dips		
Bean Dip	Trader Joe's Black or Pinto Bean	
•	Guiltless Gourmet Spicy Black Bean	
	Bearitos Vegetarian	
Hummus	Athenos - all varieties	
	Wildwood - all varieties	
	<i>Nile</i> - all varieties	
	Trader Joe's - all varieties	
	Emerald Valley - all varieties	
Salsa	<i>Trader Joe's</i> Fresh Mild or Hot	
	<i>Trader Joe's</i> Pico de Gallo	
	Casa Sanchez	
Misc	Trader Joe's Tzatziki	
Sweets		
Ice Cream/Frozen	<i>Silhouette</i> Ice Cream Sundae, Sandwich or	Remember portion control!
Yogurt	Bar	
	Good Humor Fudgesicle	
	Healthy Choice Low-Fat Ice Cream	
	Edy's Fat-Free Frozen Yogurt	
	Tofutti Cuties	
	Haagen Daz Frozen Yogurt or Sorbet	
Juice Bars	Welch's Fruit Juice Bars	
	Dole Fruit N' Juice Bars	
	Trader Joe's Juice Bars	
	Dryer's Whole Fruit	

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Sweets (continued)		
Pudding	Jell-O Fat-Free Pudding Snacks	
	Hunt's Fat-Free Pudding Snacks	
Cookies	Health Valley Fat-Free Cookies (limit to 3),	Again, remember portion
	Regular (limit to 1), Biscotti Style (limit to 2)	control and watch out for trans
	or Café Creations (limit to 1)	fats!
	Hains Kidz Animal Cookies (limit to 10)	
	Pamela's Brand - all varieties (limit to 1)	
	Natural Oven's Chip-Mate or Chocolate	
	Raspberry Cookies (limit to 1)	
Dessert Bars	Health Valley Café Creations, Tarts or Ce-	
	real Bars	
Beverages		
Hot Cocoa	Swiss Miss No Sugar Added	
	Nestle Carnation Sugar-Free	

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