# <sup>10 Day</sup> Low Allergen Foods Diet

Enclosed is a sample 10 Day Low Allergen Foods Diet that can make a huge difference in how you feel. In order to jump start your wellness program, please follow this diet for two 10 day cycles. You can eat any food on this diet at any time, the 10 day suggestions are just to give you something to follow if prefer. But it is a good idea to rotate foods, as this diet does.

This diet does not restrict the AMOUNT of food, only the types of food. Please follow the "approved" foods as closely as possible. We find that just with the diet alone, people feel much better and usually lose weight, have more energy, have less pain, sleep better, and have a clearer mind. Following the Low Allergen Foods Diet for two 10 day cycles should accelerate your health recovery. subtle for us to recognize the offending food. Instead of breaking out in hives after eating a food, we may just feel slightly spacey, or our joints may hurt just a little bit more. The bad news is that the most common food allergens are many of the foods most of us eat every day; wheat (gluten), dairy, and peanuts.

By eating foods we are mildly allergic to every day (or even every meal) we contribute to a continual state of mild inflammation, and therefore poor health. For example, a person allergic to wheat (gluten) could have toast for breakfast, a sandwich for lunch, and pasta for dinner.... and they would have eaten foods they were mildly allergic to at <u>every</u> meal. By getting off of all common food allergens for 20 or 30 days, people can often feel dramatic changes in their health.

### **Blood Sugar Spikes/Troughs**

The standard American diet is loaded with simple carbohydrates; breads, pasta, rice, potatoes. These foods convert to sugar quickly, and are "burned" quickly as energy. This can result in energy swings throughout the day. Eating these types of foods can result in energy spikes for an hour or two, and then a feeling of fatigue for several hours until we eat again... or reach for a high carb snack or cup of coffee. The 10 day Wellness Diet removes most of those simple starches and replaces them with protein and vegetables along with some fruits. If you have severe blood sugar problems, please keep the fruits to a minimum. By following higher а protein, lower carb diet, your energy levels should be more stable throughout the day, and you should actually begin to lose weight.

### Why Diet Can Be So Important

The foods you eat can have a dramatic effect on your metabolism. Most people don't realize it but many people are "mildly" allergic to many of the foods they eat. These "hidden" food allergies can result in systemic inflammation and last for up to 4 hours after eating the offending food. This mild but systemic inflammation can then manifest as fatigue, pain, mental fog, and even anxiety and depression. Avoiding the most common food allergens for a period of time can remove food "stressors" and allow the body to spring back to health and vitality.

### You May Have "Hidden" Food Allergies

Mild food allergies are much more common than most people think. It is likely that anyone with a chronic health challenge has a contributing mild food contributing to their health challenge. Unfortunately, mild food allergies are too

### A Tale Of 2 Sandwiches

The reason we have to eat is to provide fuel for our bodies. Certain classes of foods provide more, and even better burning fuels for our bodies. See below to compare the nutritional value of these two different lunches. And consider what a difference it would make to eat one way or the other for 3 meals a day, 365 days per year.

## Compare the "fuel" in these 2 lunches

## Bologna on white bread With a lettuce salad



## Turkey on whole wheat with a spinach salad

600%	More vitamin C
50%	More riboflavin
700%	More vitamin B6
500%	More B1
<b>2100%</b>	More vitamin A
50%	More calcium
400%	More magnesium
200%	More niacin
1000%	More vitamin E
250%	More zinc
400%	More pantothenic acid
600%	More folic acid
200%	More B12
1000%	More manganese

What you eat **DOES** make a difference in how you feel

# **Foods To Avoid**

# All gluten-containing foods like wheat, rye, oats and barley which are commonly found in breads, pasta and other products from refined flour.

The most common allergies are caused by this group of foods. By avoiding these foods for a few weeks your system gets a chance to relax and clear itself out. You may not even know you have an allergy to these foods because the symptoms may be so subtle.

# Alcohol, caffeine (coffee, black teas, sodas and soy milk), soda and fruit drinks that are high in refined sugars.

Both alcohol and caffeine are hard on the liver. So give your liver a vacation!

### Pork, cold cuts, bacon, hot dogs, canned meat, sausage and shellfish.

Meats are typically high in nasty ingredients such as estrogens, antibiotics and others typical of processed foods.

### Corn and tomatos.

These vegetables are common allergens and can contribute to pain and inflammation.

### All dairy (milk, cheese, butter, yogurt, etc.)

Dairy products are most likely to cause allergies and increase pain. Stay away from creamy salad dressings (ranch, creamy garlic, etc.) as they contain dairy.

# Foods high in fats and oils, including peanuts, refined oils, margarine, & shortening.

This diet was designed to lessen the burden placed on your system by eliminating many foods, including those high in fats and refined and processed oils.

### Any other foods not listed on these pages that you know you are allergic to.

Give your healthcare practitioner a list of foods that you know you are allergic to.

**Caution:** Be aware that eggs are sensitive for many people. Use range fed chicken eggs only as they are generally fed less hormones & antibiotics, and pay attention to see if you react on days when you eat them.

# **Shopping List**

You may eat any of the following approved foods.

- Vegetables Asparagus, Artichokes, Avocados, Beets, Bock Choy, Broccoli, Brussels Sprouts, Cabbage, Carrots, Cauliflower, Celery, Cucumbers, Eggplant, Green Beans, Kale, Leeks, Mixed Greens (not iceberg), Mushrooms, Okra, Peas, Peapods, Shallots, Spinach, Squash, Sweet potatoes, Swish chard, Yellow wax beans, Zucchini
  - **Fruits** Apples, Bananas, Blueberries, Cantaloupe, Grapes, Kiwi, Honeydew Melon, Pears, Plums, Strawberries
  - **Protein** Skinless Chicken breast, Turkey breasts, Extremely lean beef such as Flank Steak, Cornish game hen, Lamb
  - **Fish** Halibut, Tilapia, Salmon, Red Snapper, Orange Roughy, Perch, Cod, Anchovies, Sardines, Pollock, Mackerel, Herring, Water packed tuna, Haddock, Flounder (If possible use wild, not farm raised fish)
  - **Grains** White rice, millet, tapioca, quinoa, 100% buckwheat, teff, amaranth.
    - Misc. Raw almonds, Cream of Rice, Millet, Nut Butter (not peanut),
  - **Drinks** Organic Decaffeinated Coffee, Green Tea, Herb Tea (no citrus), Non fluorinated /chlorinated water
- **Dressings** Extra-virgin olive oil with lemon or lime and dry herbs, including oregano and basil. Flax seed oil dressing. Oil and vinegar dressing.

Other Spices	Bay leaf	Dill	Marjoram	Caraway seeds
	Dry mustard	Nutmeg	Chives	Garlic
	Poppy seeds	Cinnamon	Ginger	Tarragon
	Curry	Mace	Cilantro	

	Low Allergen Foods Diet- 10 Day Samp				
		Breakfast	Lunch	Dinner	Snacks
		Spread ½ avocado on 2	Any left over lean protein	Chicken	Apple
		pieces guten free toast	1/2 avocado	Veggies	Raw Almonds
		1 Kiwi	Salad	White rice	Strawberries
	Day 1		Strawberries	Banana	
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		Breakfast Hot buckwheat /rice/	Lunch Left over chicken from day one	Dinner Turkey	Snacks Pear
		guinoa cereal			Plum
Please		Topped with blueberries,	Salad	Veggies	
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		Left over Chicken Breast	Left over Turkey	Fish	Strawberries
		Banana	Sweet Potato	Veggies	Banana
		1/2 avocado	Cantaloupe	Veggies	Raw Cashews
	Day 3	Grapes	Salad	Kiwi	1 1
		Grapes	5444	1	1
		Breakfast	Lunch	Dinner	Snacks
		Organic turkey bacon wraps	Left over fish	Beef	Apple
		1/2 avocado sliced on	Salad	Veggies	Cantaloupe
		Lettuce & cabbage leaves	Grapes	Millet	Grapes
	Day 4	4 strawberries	Honey dew melon	Pear/Plum	Urapes
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		Breakfast	Lunch	Dinner	Snacks
			Left over Beef	Chicken	Raw Almonds
		Apple slices slathered	Salad	Veggies	Honey dew melon
		with raw almond butter			Pear/Plum
	Day 5	Dipped in crushed walnuts	Left over Veggie	Veggies	Pear/Plum
	Day J	Top with cinnamon	Banana	1/2 avocado	
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		Left over Chicken	Left over chicken	Lamb	Grapes
		Grapefruit	Left over veggie	Veggies	Banana
		Banana	Salad	White rice	
	Day 6	Cantaloupe	Apple	Kiwi	
				1	1
		Breakfast	Lunch	Dinner	Snacks
			Left over lamb	Fish	Strawberries
		Warm leftover millet	Sweet Potato	Veggie	Raw almonds
		Slice ½ avocado in millet	Salad		
	Day 7	or use as a side		Veggie	Grapefruit
	Day 7	Grapes	Banana	1/2 avocado	
		Breakfast	Lunch	Dinner	Snacks
		Left over turkey	Left over fish	Beef	Apple
		Large grapefruit	Salad	Veggies	Cantaloupe
		4 strawberries	Cucumber	Millet	Grapes
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		Breakfast	Lunch Left over Beef	Chickon	Snacks Raw almonds
		Steel cut or organic oats		Chicken	
		Topped with raw almonds	Salad	Veggies	Honey dew
		Fresh/frozen strawberries	Left over veggie	Veggies	melon
	Day 9	1/2 tsp raw honey	Banana	1/2 avocado	Pear/Plum
		1/2 cup almond/coconut milk			
		Breakfast	Lunch	Dinner	Snack
		2 scoops NutriClear Berry	Left over chicken	Lamb	Grapes
		$\frac{1}{2}$ frozen banana	Left over veggie	Veggies	Banana
		2/3 cup almond or	Salad		Dununu
	Dev. 40	coconut milk		Veggies	
	Day 10		Apple	Kiwi	
		Eat an apple			

# Here's How To Help Find Hidden Food Triggers After the Low Allergen Foods Diet

## Slowly Start Re-Introducing Common Food Allergens

After cycling thru the low allergen diet start to introduce some of the common allergen foods back into your diet to see if/how your body reacts. Continue on the same diet, but every few days take a "diet holiday" and add a singular high allergen food that day only. Take gluten (wheat) for example; on that day have toast with almond butter, a sandwich for lunch, and pasta for dinner. Evaluate how you feel that day, how you sleep that night, how you feel the next morning. Then go back to the low allergen foods for two days. Now have a cheat day with dairy, and so on.

Food sensitivities are rampant in our society and they can be the underlying cause of your health challenge. The problem is they are difficult to detect. Yes there are some very innovative labs that are using saliva and blood spots as well as the traditional tests, but the testing can be expensive, also, Food Allergy testing is not 100% effective.

The other side is that sometimes people may not <u>follow</u> the lab recommendations because it usually means refraining or abstaining from some of their favorite foods. However; if while eating lean, low reactive allergy foods; someone has their symptoms reduced or reversed they start to see the connection. Then when these reactive foods are reintroduced back in the diet and patients experience a return or even an aggravation of prior symptoms ...reality sets in. When we talk about pain it is different than when we experience pain.

Here is a study to prove my point; in an article titled "Food Allergies and

Migraine", in the prestigious journal; Lancet 1979, 1:966. 60 patients were given 2 low risk foods per day for 5 days and then 1-3 common foods were added each day and assessed by physical symptom looking for reactions. The average number of foods causing symptoms was 10 for each participant. By staying away from these foods, the total number of headaches was reduced from 402 per month to 6. 85% become headache free. There is no drug that has ever, ever been able to match that kind of result. Why don't more people do it, because it takes time to explain and quite frankly it a change in lifestyle and people are creatures of habit and don't like change. This study involves headaches but you can use any chronic condition that involves pain, inflammation or fatigue.

I have provided a sheet for you to use to identify the food and the possible symptoms you experience. You may notice changes in the way you think, way your body works, sleep changes, energy loss, emotional intensity, increased inflammation in joints, pain, food cravings, concentration problems, etc, etc.. It is important for you to log which foods are causing the problem.

## **Discover Hidden Food Sensitivities**

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Score <u>reactions</u> as follows: 1-10 one =barely noticed any reaction, 10 = very severe

Foods to test individually:

Gluten, dairy, corn, eggs, peanuts, soy, one of the nightshades (tomatoes, potatoes, pepper, paprika, etc.), beef, chicken, tea & coffee, oranges, chocolate or any foods you may suspect cause problems.

Food eaten   Gluten   date     Mental   Physical   Sleep Change     Pain   Food Cravings   Concentration     Other Changes Describe	Energy Emotional intensity III
Food eaten Dairy date   Mental Physical Sleep Change   Pain Food Cravings Concentration	Energy Emotional intensity
Food eaten   Corn   date     Mental   Physical   Sleep Change     Pain   Food Cravings   Concentration     Other Changes Describe	Energy Emotional intensity Inflammation
Food eaten   Eggs   date     Mental   Physical   Sleep Change     Pain   Food Cravings   Concentration     Other Changes Describe	Energy Emotional intensity Inflammation
Food eaten   Peanuts   date     Mental   Physical   Sleep Change     Pain   Food Cravings   Concentration     Other Changes Describe	Energy Emotional intensity Inflammation

Food eaten   Soy   date     Mental   Physical   Sleep Change   Energy   Emotional intensity     Pain   Food Cravings   Concentration   Inflammation     Other Changes Describe
Food eaten   *Nightshades   date     Mental   Physical   Sleep Change   Energy   Emotional intensity     Pain   Food Cravings   Concentration   Inflammation     Other Changes Describe
Food eaten   Beef   date     Mental   Physical   Sleep Change   Energy   Emotional intensity     Pain   Food Cravings   Concentration   Inflammation     Other Changes Describe
Food eaten   Chicken   date     Mental   Physical   Sleep Change   Energy   Emotional intensity     Pain   Food Cravings   Concentration   Inflammation     Other Changes Describe
Food eaten   Tea & Coffee   date     Mental   Physical   Sleep Change   Energy   Emotional intensity     Pain   Food Cravings   Concentration   Inflammation     Other Changes Describe
Food eaten   Oranges   date     Mental   Physical   Sleep Change   Energy   Emotional intensity     Pain   Food Cravings   Concentration   Inflammation     Other Changes Describe
Food eaten   Chocolate   date     Mental   Physical   Sleep Change   Energy   Emotional intensity     Pain   Food Cravings   Concentration   Inflammation     Other Changes Describe

\* Nightshades: Tomatoes, potatoes, peppers, paprika

The following pre-made foods contain gluten, unless they are marked "Gluten-Free" on the label.

Bagels	French Toast	Pita or Pocket Bread
Beer	French Fries (if frozen or coated)	Pretzel
Biscuits	Funnel Cake	Salad Dressing
Blue cheese (made with bread)	Graham Crackers	Semolina
Bread	Gravy	Soup
Broth (pre-made, cubes, powder)	Hushpuppies	Sour Cream
Cake	Macaroni	Soy Sauce, Shoyu
Cheese (pre-shredded)	Malted milk	Spaghetti
Cookies	Matzo	Stock (pre-made, cubes, powder)
Corn Dogs	Muesli	Stuffing
Corn Bread	Muffins	Toast
Couscous	Noodles	Tabbouleh
Crackers	Oatmeal	Teriyaki sauce
Croutons	Pancakes	Waffles
Cupcakes	Pasta	Yogurt
Deli Cut or Cold Cut Meats	Pastry	
Doughnuts	Pie	

### The following pre-made foods contain gluten containing ingredients

### **Dairy Foods**

Most commercially prepared baked goods contain milk or milk products.

au gratin, buttered, creamed, scalloped or escalloped potatoes and vegetables

baked goods made with milk, (breads, biscuits, donuts, muffins, pancakes, waffles, zwieback, crackers, saltines, rusk)

battered, breaded and dipped vegetables and meats

bisques, chowders, creamed soups

breaded meats, meatloaf, croquettes, casseroles, hamburgers (unless made without milk)

butter substitutes and non-dairy creamers (some)

### butter, butter fat

buttermilk

### cream, cream cheese, sour cream, clotted cream

cake, cookies, custard, pudding, cream desserts, or sherbet containing milk products

candy made with milk such as chocolate, fudge, caramels, nougat

casseroles

## cheese, cheese powder or cheese sauce

butter, butter fat

chocolate

### coffee creamers

commercial and frozen dinners

Cool Whip

### cottage cheese

cream

cream pie

cream sauces and soups, white sauces

curds

custard

eggnog

eggs scrambled with milk, creamed eggs, egg substitutes

evaporated milk

French fries sprayed coating or flavoring

French toast

frozen yogurt

gelato

ghee

half and half

ice cream

instant cereals containing dried milk (oatmeal, rice, wheat, etc)

instant cocoa, breakfast beverage mixes

junket

lactaid

macaroni and cheese

malted milk, candy, shakes

margarines (some, check the label)

mashed potatoes

mayonnaise

**milk** (derivative, protein, solids, malted, condensed, evaporated, dry, whole, low fat, nonfat, skim, solids)

milkshakes

most commercially prepared breads and contain milk or milk products rolls

natural butter flavor (an some artificial flavor)

curds

condensed milk non-dairy creamers (most)

non-dairy substitutes containing caseinate

non-fat skim milk, powdered milk or milk solids

nougat

popovers

protein drinks, powders, bars

pudding

queso, "con queso dip"

salad dressing containing milk, milk solids, or milk products

### soufflés

sour cream, sour cream solids

sports and nutrition drinks, powders, bars

vegetables containing with milk, cheese, butter or cream

whey and whey products

whipping cream

white sauces

#### yogurt

### The following ingredients may indicate soy

- •Hydrolyzed soy protein
- •Miso a paste made of rice, barley and/or soybeans; used as a seasoning often in Japanese cuisine
- •Shoyu sauce a type of soy sauce
- •Soy flour, albumin, flour, grits, nuts, milk, sprouts
- •Soy protein concentrate, soy protein isolate
- •Soy sauce
- •Soybean, soybean granules, soybean curd
- •Tamari a type of soy sauce, mostly produced in Japan
- •Tempeh similar to tofu
- •Texured vegetable protein, aka TVP
- •Tofu

### Foods Commonly Containing Soy

- •Baby foods, formula, cereals
- •Baked goods including cakes, cookies, muffins, breads
- •Baking mixes and canned frosting
- •Breakfast cereals, instant breakfast drinks
- •Breading mixes, stuffing mixes
- •Canned puddings
- •Canned and packaged dinners like spaghetti or macaroni and cheese
- •Canned tuna packed in oil
- •Chocolate chips, chocolate bars
- •Imitation meats and seafood
- •Meat fillers

•Margarine, shortening, cooking spray, vegetable oil

- •Snack foods including crackers, chips, pretzels
- •Soy and teriyaki sauces
- •Soy milk, yogurt, non-dairy creamers
- •Tofu, miso, tempeh
- •Vitamin supplements