Meal Planning Worksheet

Simple Steps to a Balanced Plate

- 1. **Non-Starchy Vegetables**: Fill ½ of your plate with non-starchy vegetables
 - <u>Examples:</u> asparagus, broccoli, cauliflower, eggplant, summer squash, leafy greens (chard, collard greens, kale, spinach, mustard greens, etc.), or lettuces and mixed greens (arugula, butter lettuce, red and green leaf, radicchio, romaine, etc.).
- 2. **Lean Protein**: Fill ¼ of your plate with lean proteins
 - <u>Examples:</u> turkey, skinless chicken, fish and shellfish, lean beef, eggs, dairy such as low-fat and high-protein yogurt or cottage cheese, tofu, or high-fiber legumes (beans, peas, and lentils, etc.).
- 3. **Starch**: Fill the remaining ¼ of your plate with healthy complex carbohydrates (starches)
 - <u>Examples:</u> such as whole grains like oatmeal, brown rice, quinoa, 100% whole-grain bread, or starchy vegetables (peas, corn, potato, sweet potatoes, or winter squashes, etc.)

4. Fruits:

• Examples: apples, oranges, banana, strawberries, cherries, peaches, nectarines, watermelon, grapes, kiwi, etc.

5. Healthy Fat:

• Examples: olives and olive oil, avocado and avocado oil, nuts/nut butter/nut oils, seeds/seed butter/seed oils, canola/grapeseed/sunflower/safflower/soybean oils, etc.

6. Probiotics:

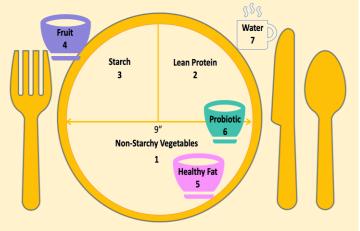
Examples: Sauerkraut, kimchi, tempeh, miso, natural soy sauce, kombucha tea, high-quality kefir and yogurt, cultured cottage cheese, etc.

7. Water:

Fluid Goals:

Men: 101 oz. a day or ~13 cups of water a day

Women: 74 oz. a day or ~9 cups of water a day



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Monday Breakfast:	Tuesday Breakfast:	Wednesday Breakfast:	Thursday Breakfast:	Friday Breakfast:
Snack:	Snack:	Snack:	Snack:	Snack:
Lunch:	Lunch:	Lunch:	Lunch:	Lunch:
Snack:	Snack:	Snack:	Snack:	Snack:
Dinner:	Dinner:	Dinner:	Dinner:	Dinner:

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Snack:	Snack: 	
Lunch:	Lunch:	•
Snack:	Snack:	
Dinner:	Dinner:	• • • •
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