Plan Guidelines

All sauces are suggested. Please consult with me if you would like to use other seasonings.

**Beet carrot salad**- grate 4-5 carrots and 1 small beet. Should make 4 servings- stores well in Tupperware for a week. Please dress with lemon and EVOO during the cleanse for best liver and gall bladder health

**Spices**: Please include these good digestive/anti-inflammatory spices whenever you would like. You can try most salt-free blends as long as they don’t have paprika or licorice
- Basil, Black Pepper, Cardamom, Cayenne, Cinnamon, Cumin, Ginger, Maine’s Sea Seasonings (kelp or dulse varieties), Rosemary, Turmeric

**Portions**- *Unless portions are noted please eat until you are full*
- Nuts & Seeds: 1 oz

**Carrot ginger soup**- our anti-inflammatory soup and it freezes very well- please consult with your nutritionist on when it’s best to use. Carrot soup does best when you have a protein rich breakfast, like flax or eggs.

**Snacks**- you may always replace snack that is mentioned with The Plan Trail mix- 1/8th cup sunflower seeds and 1/8th cup dried cranberries.

**Dessert- chocolate** is 1oz and please make sure it’s below 65% and soy lecithin free- good brands are Whole Foods 365, Theo, and Alter Eco.

**Butter**- you can add it when it says EVOO but please do not sauté with butter unless you use a low heat. Please limit to 1 tbsp a day. Do not have during the cleanse.

**EVOO**- You should be consuming 3-5 tbsp of extra virgin olive oil a day. *Why is EVOO so important?* The brain is 60% fat so we need good fats for cognitive functioning; our cell walls have a phospholipid barrier or immune function- EVOO is an omega 9 so it acts as a catalyst for anti-inflammatory omega 3 (present in your flax, chia and hemp seeds) and fat keeps you full longer!

Please HYDRATE! Your baseline is half your body weight in ounces - the best way to do this is drink a pint all at once. Please drink water in-between meals, not during as drinking during meals can impair your digestion— if you can leave a 45 window before and after each meal that is ideal. Do not drink after dinner and try to finish all water intake by 7:30 or 3-4 hours before bed. Please do not drink over the recommended water amount as this will affect kidney function and will cause water retention.
General Protein, Food and Testing Information
For more information on general plan guidelines please reference the Intro to The Plan

Protein Ranges
Breakfast — 10-40 grams of protein
Lunch — 15-25 grams of protein (stay with 15 unless you are an athlete)
Dinner — 25-60 grams of protein (most women do best with 35-45 grams unless an athlete)

Dense Food Guidelines
1 dense grain carbohydrate a day MAX (rice or bread)
1 animal protein a day MAX
1 bean a day MAX
If you want to try more than one serving of these per day you can plug a larger portion in for a test day!

Combination Tests
Combining animal protein, grain or legumes together at the same meal is a test. Example: rice (grain) and chicken (animal protein) or bread (grain) and eggs (animal protein). Coconut Milk and animal proteins are a test.

Good Low Reactive Sources of Protein: Aim for 15 grams of protein for lunch (unless you are an athlete then it will be up to 25 grams)
- Broccoli- 5 grams per cup- fine chopped
- Kale - 6 grams per 2 cups cooked- fine chopped
- Sunflower seeds- 6 grams per oz (good source of selenium and calcium)
- Pumpkin seeds- 9 grams per oz (great source of zinc for your immune system!)
- Almonds- 8 grams per oz
- Chickpeas- 5 grams per 1/2 cup
- Rice – 5 grams per 1 cup- this is a test on days when you have animal protein
- Chia- 5 grams per 2 tbsp (A great source of omega-3’s!) but keep to breakfast
- Cream of Broccoli Soup – 8g per 16oz
- Chicken Kale Soup – 10g per 16oz
- Raw Cashews – 5g per 1oz (test)
- Lentils – 9g per 1/2cup

Tests
Never test when weight is up. Omit the test that day and come back to it later.

Menus- raw and cooked vegetables
In winter we always have either a cooked vegetable or a soup with lunch to aid digestion. Dinner always has at least TWO cooked vegetables and a raw vegetable salad as raw vegetables contain enzymes. In summer we move to just salads with minimal amounts of cooked vegetables. If you feel that just having a salad makes you feel a little bloated increase the amount of cooked vegetables or add soups back in!
**Lettuce**
Safe lettuces are baby romaine, boston lettuce, red leaf lettuces, green leaf lettuce, frisee, and small amounts of radicchio. All other lettuces are a test. Any mixed greens blend that has arugula, watercress, tatsoi or spinach is a test. Colder vegetables like Romaine hearts and cucumbers may cause gas and bloating. If they do, immediately take a probiotic and discontinue use. This causes weight gain and digestive issues.

**Recipes**

**Flax Granola**  
*(makes 2-4 servings)*

1 cup water  
2 cups whole flaxseeds  
1 tbsp agave nectar  
2 tsp ground cinnamon  
1 tsp ground cardamom  
1 tsp pure vanilla extract  
1/2 tsp nutmeg  
1/2 cup raisins

Preheat oven to 275F degrees. Combine water and flaxseeds in a medium bowl and mix well. Let sit for 30 minutes and mix again. Add agave, cinnamon, cardamom, vanilla extract and nutmeg to flaxseeds and mix thoroughly.

Spread granola in a thin layer on a baking sheet and bake for 50 minutes. Reduce oven temperature to 225F degrees. Cut sheet of granola into clusters, flip and bake an additional 30-40 minutes, until thoroughly dry. Add raisins and store in airtight container. Consume within 2 weeks.

**Carrot Ginger Soup**  
*Recipe makes 5 quarts*  
*It can be cut down or many clients love divide into portion out and keep in the freezer!*

1 tbsp ground cinnamon  
1 tbsp ground cumin  
1 tbsp freshly ground black pepper  
1 tsp ground cloves  
1 tsp cardamom
1/2 tsp turmeric
1/2 tsp allspice
7 quarts water
5lb carrots, chopped
2 large red onions, chopped
3 large zucchini, chopped
8 cloves garlic, peeled
5 to 6 inches fresh ginger, peeled
2 tbsp extra virgin olive oil

Combine Cinnamon, cumin, black pepper, cloves, cardamom, turmeric, and allspice in a dry skillet over medium-low heat and cook, stirring constantly, for 30 seconds. In a large soup pot, combine water, carrots, onions, zucchini, garlic, ginger, and olive oil; add toasted spices. Bring water to a boil and then let simmer for 45 minutes, until carrots are soft.

Reserve 2 to 4 quarts of the broth for future soup stocks. Transfer remaining soup to a blender in batches and puree.

Note: You can add one 14oz can of full-fat unsweetened coconut milk and 5 to 6 Vietnamese chili peppers while cooking for a creamier, spicer soup!

**Spicy Coco Sauce**
*This recipe makes 4 to 6 servings (1 1/2 cups); It can either be cut down or frozen for future meals! Many Planners freeze it in ice cube trays for a quick, flavorful solution for vegetable sautees!*

3 tbsp extra virgin olive oil
1 large onion, chopped fine
4 to 5 cloves garlic, minced
2-inch piece fresh ginger, peeled and grated (roughly 1 tbsp)
2 tsp ground cumin
1 tsp ground cinnamon
1 tsp freshly ground black pepper
1 tsp coriander
1/2 tsp allspice
1 (14 oz) can full-fat coconut milk
4 tbsp Sriracha, or more for extra spice
1 tbsp brown sugar
Optional: 1 lemongrass stalk, cut into 1-inch pieces
In a large saucepan, heat olive oil over medium heat. Add onion and garlic and saute until they start to turn brown. Add ginger, cumin, cinnamon, pepper, coriander, nutmeg, cardamom, and allspice and saute for 1 minute at low heat, until spices start to smell fragrant. Add coconut milk, Sriracha, brown sugar, and lemongrass, if desired, stirring for 30 seconds. Reduce heat and simmer, stirring for every 5 minutes, for 15 to 20 minutes, so flavors can fully integrate. Remove lemongrass. Serve immediately or let cool and then freeze.

**Blueberry Pear Compote**
(Makes 2-3 servings)
*No almonds* - 10g protein for 2 servings or 7g per 3 servings
*With almonds* - 14g protein for 2 servings or 9g per 3 servings

- 1 cup blueberries
- 1 ripe pear
- 1-1 ¼ cups water
- ½ cup chia seeds (20g protein)
- 1/8 cup almond slivers (8g protein; omit if reactive to almonds)
- 1 tbsp agave
- Cinnamon to taste - suggested ½ tsp can add cardamom, nutmeg, cloves too (all great digestives)

Chop the blueberries and pear and let simmer for 8-10 minutes in a pot of water with cinnamon and agave.

Remove pot from heat and add chia seeds, and stir frequently for 2 minutes. You can serve warm or refrigerate. The compote can also be frozen so feel free to make big batches!

**Cream of Broccoli Soup**
(Makes 6-8 servings, 8 grams protein per 16oz)

- 3 tbsp butter
- 1 large onion chopped
- 1 tbsp dried sage
- 1 tsp cumin
- ½ tsp dried celery seed
- 2 cups carrot essence or homemade chicken broth (see The Plan Cookbook)
- 2 cups water
- 1 can full-fat coconut milk
- 8 cups broccoli, chopped (about 4 heads of broccoli)
- 4 cups zucchini, chopped (about 2 medium zucchini)
- 1 small to medium avocado
• 1 tbsp Sriracha – optional
• Ground black pepper to taste
Sauté onion and spices in 3 tbsp of butter. Add in all ingredients and cook until vegetables are
tender, approximately 25-30 minutes.

Add in avocado, blend and serve! For a less creamy soup add more water.

**The Plan Smoothie**
*(Makes 1 serving, 10g protein)*

• 1 ripe pear
• ½ cup berries
• ¼ avocado
• ¼ cup chia
• Rice Dream (RD) or Silk Coconut Milk (SCM)
• Option- 1 tsp honey or agave
• Option- vanilla extract or cinnamon

Fill Blender with enough RD or SCM to fill to 16 or 20 oz. Blend. Ice is not recommended if you
have thyroid dysfunction.

**The Plan Hummous**
*(20g of protein for entire batch)*

• 2 cups drained well-cooked or canned low sodium chickpeas, liquid reserved
• 1/4 cup extra-virgin olive oil, plus oil for drizzling
• 2 cloves garlic, peeled
• Sea Salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste
• 1 tbsp. ground cumin, to taste, plus a sprinkling for garnish
• Juice of 1 lemon

Put everything except the parsley in a food processor and begin to process; add the chickpea
liquid or water as needed to allow the machine to produce a smooth puree. Taste and adjust
the seasoning (you may want to add more lemon juice).

Serve, drizzled with the olive oil and sprinkled with a bit more cumin

**Apple Streusel**
10 grams per serving
**Streusel Topping**
- 1 ½ cups almond flour
- 2 tbsp brown sugar
- 1 tsp cinnamon
- ¼ cup unsalted butter, room temp (you can use avocado oil to make it dairy free)

**Apple Filling**
- 3 apples, cored and chopped into 1/2 inch pieces
- 1 tbsp brown sugar
- 1 tsp cinnamon
- ½ tsp cardamom
- ¼ tsp cloves
- 4 eight oz. baking ramekins

Preheat oven to 350. In a small bowl mix all ingredients for streusel topping by hand or with hand mixer.

In a medium bowl combine all apple filling ingredients and mix well. Add apple mixture to mason jars and pack down with ½ inch of streusel topping. Bake for 25-30 minutes until streusel topping is lightly browned. Serve warm or refrigerate.

Top with almond slivers or 2 tbsp chia.

**Basil Escarole Soup**
*No protein*

- 1 large white onion, fine diced
- 1/8th cup dried basil
- 1/2 tsp pink Himalayan sea salt
- 1 tsp black pepper
- 1/4 cup EVOO
- 1 liter carrot essence or homemade chicken stock
- 1 liter water
- 1 tsp agave or honey
- 2 lbs. carrots, chopped
- 8 cups zucchini pasta or 8 cups chopped zucchini, small
- 2 heads escarole, chopped

In a large soup pot sauté onion and basil in EVOO. Add sea salt and black pepper and let
simmer for 20 minutes. Add liquids, carrots and zucchini and let simmer for 20 minutes.

Add chopped escarole and let simmer an additional 10 minutes. Top with lemon or lime juice.

**Dairy-Free Caesar Dressing**

- 2 garlic cloves, chopped
- ¼ cup evo
- ¼ cup hemp seeds (test)
- 2 tbsp lemon juice
- 2 tsp fresh black pepper
- 2 tbsp fresh dill or basil, *optional*

Soak garlic cloves in EVOO overnight. Add all ingredients to food processor with an S blade and blend until smooth. Add water as needed for lighter dressing.

**Zucchini nosh**

*No protein*

*I love babaganoush, but like many of my clients, I am reactive to eggplant. Subbing zucchini was a natural idea with summer's bounty and thus zucchini-noush was born!*

- 1/4 cup extra virgin olive oil
- 1 large white onion chopped fine (approx 2 cups)
- 1/4 cup cumin
- 1 tbsp. pink Himalayan sea salt
- 1/8 cup water
- 5 large zucchini chopped (approx 10 cups)
  - oil for baking sheet
- *optional:* 1 cup sunflower tahini

Add oil to a large skillet on medium heat and add onion, cumin and sea salt. Stir until spices are thoroughly mixed and then mix in water. Lower heat to lowest setting and let simmer for 30 minutes stirring often.

Add zucchini to the onion and mix well. Take zucchini/onion mixture and spread on a well-oiled baking sheet. Bake at 325F for 40 minutes.

Remove from zucchini from the oven and add to a medium mixing bowl. Mix well. The zucchini will break down to a chunky texture. Optional, add 1 cup sunflower tahini and mix well.
Sunflower Tahini

24g for entire recipe or 4 grams per 6 servings

- 1 cup sunflower seeds (24g protein)
- 1/4 cup extra virgin olive oil
- 1/4 cup water
- 1 garlic clove, peeled
- 2 tbsp. lemon juice
- dash sea salt
- optional: add more water for creamier tahini

Add all ingredients to a food processor and blend until smooth, about 3 minutes. Serve immediately, or store and refrigerate up to 5 days.
**The Plan**

**Day One**

**Breakfast**
1 cup Flax granola with ½ cup blueberries
Silk Coconut milk or Rice Dream- these will be your breakfast “milk” for the week.

**Lunch**
16oz of Carrot ginger soup
2 cups of sautéed or steamed broccoli drizzled and lemon juice with EVOO
Baby Romaine with fresh herbs and 1 oz sunflower seeds

**Snack**
1 apple

**Dinner**
Sautéed kale, 3-4 carrots, onion, zucchini, shiitakes, and broccoli with spicy coco sauce with one ounce of sunflower seeds
Grated Carrot and raw grated beet salad with your choice of herbs and one ounce of pumpkin seeds
*When you make the spicy coco sauce: make the sauce, add all the vegetables to it and let it simmer for 10 minutes.*

**Day Two: Almonds**

**Breakfast**
1 cup of Flax with ½ cup blueberries

**Lunch**
16oz of Carrot ginger soup with 1 oz of sunflower seeds
Baby romaine with ½ diced apple, ¼ avocado
2 cups of steamed or sautéed broccoli

**Snack**
1 pear with 8 almonds

**Dinner**
Leftover sautéed kale and veggies with 1 cup basmati rice with 1 oz of pumpkin seeds
beet/carrot salad with and one ounce of sunflower seeds
Day Three: Chicken

Breakfast
1 cup Flax with choice of ½ cup blueberries or ½ pear

Lunch
Baby romaine with carrots and one ounce of sunflower seeds (6g of protein)
16oz of Cream of Broccoli soup (8g of protein)

Snack
12-15 almonds

Dinner
½ portion chicken (2-3 oz) with Italian herbs on a bed of baby romaine
Oven roasted zucchini, broccoli, carrots, onions, garlic and Italian herb blend- finish with lemon juice and EVOO and fresh black pepper

Day Four: Test 1/2 cup lentils (you may now have one cup of coffee in the morning and wine at night with or after dinner)

Breakfast
1 cup flax Granola with ½ cup berries, ½ apple or ½ pear

Lunch
Leftover reheated, roasted vegetables on a bed of baby romaine with and one ounce of sautéed kale 2 cup and ½ cup well-cooked lentils

Snack
Carrots with 2 tbsp raw almond butter
Or
Plan Trail Mix 1/8th cup sunflower and 1/8th cup craisins

Dinner
4-6oz of Chicken with lemon, garlic and rosemary
Baby Romaine or frisee with carrots and ¾ avocado
Steamed or sautéed broccoli with yellow squash, scallions lemon and dill
Day Five: Test Exercise *(you may now have dessert and sea salt in moderation)*

- beginner 4-6 min ~ intermediate 10-12 min~ advanced 15 min

Breakfast
The Plan Smoothie

Lunch
Green leaf lettuce with radicchio, carrot/beet salad and one ounce of sunflowerseeds (6g)
16oz of Cream of Broccoli soup (8g)

Snack
Carrots with 2 tbsp raw almond butter or
½ apple with raw almond butter

Dinner
4-6oz of Chicken with spicy apricot glaze on a bed of green leaf
Sautéed zucchini, yellow squash with onion or leeks and basil finish with lemon

Day Six: Protein day

Breakfast
Flax with choice of ½ cup berries, ½ apple or ½ pear or
Blueberry Compote

Lunch
Baby romaine with wilted radicchio, apple, ¼ avocado, 2 cups cooked kale and ½ cup lentils or
1oz of pumpkin seeds
lemon basil escarole soup- optional (no protein)
*warm foods aid digestion- if you notice you feel bloated with just a salad always include soup when noted and heat up your cooked vegetables*

Snack
Plan Trail Mix
Or
Carrots and zucchini nosh

Dinner – choose your proteins to test
4-6oz of Grilled *wild* white fish, steak, lamb, duck or 3 eggs with 2 cups kale
Grilled vegetables- zucchini, yellow squash, carrots, onion, radicchio
Carrot beet salad with sunflower seeds
Day Seven: Repeat Exercise & Test Cashews or New veg protein
• beginner 4-6 min ~ intermediate 10-12 min ~ advanced 15 min

Breakfast
Flax Granola with ½ cup berries, ½ apple or ½ pear

Lunch
Leftover vegetables on a bed of green leaf with one ounce of sunflower seeds (6g)
Chicken Kale Soup (10g)

Snack
1 oz salt free potato chips or
Test 1 oz of cashews (5g)

Dinner
Chicken with dill and lemon
Sautéed vegetables - broccoli, carrots, zucchini, scallions with garlic
Frisee and ½ pear salad

Day Eight: Test New protein

Breakfast
The Plan Smoothie (10g)

Lunch
Salad with grated carrots, beet and sunflower seeds (6g)
16 oz of Cream of Broccoli Soup (8g protein)

Snack
Carrots with 2 tbsps raw almond butter
Or
Plan Trail Mix

Dinner
Test 4-6 oz of a new protein on a bed of green leaf or frisee
Roasted, Sautéed, Grilled or steamed vegetables that have been approved
Day Nine: Test Exercise
• beginner 4-6 min ~ intermediate 10-12 min ~ advanced 15 min

Breakfast
Apple Streusel or
Blueberry pear compote

Lunch
Baby Romaine with ¼ avocado and grated carrots with
15 grams of vegetarian protein

Snack
½ apple with pumpkin seeds or
Plan Trail Mix

Dinner
Any approved protein
Baby Romaine with grated raw beet
Sautéed zucchini or yellow squash, carrots and leeks

Day Ten: Test new protein

Breakfast
Flax Granola with approved fruit
Or
Blueberry pear compote

Lunch
Chicken Kale soup (10g)
Red leaf or Green leaf lettuce with carrot/beet salad with sunflower seeds (6g)

Snack
Pumpkin seeds
Or
½ apple with raw almond butter

Dinner
Test New Protein
Sautéed kale with onion, basil and fresh lime
Any lettuce used thus far with ¼ avocado and fresh herbs such as dill, basil or mint
**Day Eleven: Test increased exercise time by 20%**

**Breakfast**
Blueberry Pear Compote  
Or  
Smoothie  

**Lunch**
Lettuce of choice with grated carrot, ¼ avocado, sunflower seeds (6g) and dried cranberries  
With 9-10 more grams of vegetarian protein  

**Snack**
Carrots with raw almond butter  
Or  
½ apple with raw almond butter  

**Dinner**
Any approved protein  
Any lettuce used thus far with ¼ apple and fresh herbs  
Roasted or grilled zucchini and yellow squash with your lemon and dill  

**Day Twelve: Test new vegetable**

**Breakfast**
The Plan Smoothie  
Or  
Blueberry pear Compote  

**Lunch**
Cream of Broccoli Soup (8g)  
Salad with ¼ avocado and almond slivers (8g)  

**Snack**
Plan Trail Mix  
Or  
Carrots and zucchini nosh  

**Dinner**
Approved protein  
Test new vegetable mixed with other approved vegetables- use herbs of choice  
Any lettuce used thus far with fresh herbs and raw grated beet
Day Thirteen: Test increased exercise time by 20%

Breakfast
Flax granola with ½ cup approved fruit

Lunch
Leftover vegetables with sunflower seeds, ¼ chopped apple on a bed of green leaf lettuce
Chicken Kale Soup

Snack
Pumpkin seeds and ½ apple
Or
Low Sodium Potato Chips and zucchini nosh

Dinner
Approved protein
Any lettuce used thus far with fresh herbs and optional radicchio
Sautéed zucchini and carrots with leeks and fresh garlic and dried rosemary

Day Fourteen: Optional test bread

Breakfast
Any approved breakfast
Or
Test Bread with 2 tbspraw almond butter and ½ piece of fruit

Lunch
Basil escarole soup -optional
Salad with 15 grams of vegetarian protein

Snack
Carrots and Zucchini-nosh
Or
½ apple

Dinner
Approved protein
Roasted, Sautéed or Grilled Vegetables that have been approved
Any approved lettuce with fresh herbs
The Plan

Day Fifteen: Test increased exercise time by 20%

Breakfast
Flax Granola with ½ piece of apple or 1/2 pear

Lunch
Carrot Ginger soup - optional
Salad with 15 grams of vegetarian protein

Snack
Low Sodium Potato chips and zucchini -noush
Or
½ cup blueberries

Dinner
Chicken with spices of choice
Sautéed kale with onions and zucchini and new approved vegetable
Any approved lettuce with fresh herbs

Day Sixteen: Test new snack

Breakfast
Blueberry Pear Compote
Or
Streusel

Lunch
Basil escarole soup
Salad with 15 grams of vegetarian protein

Snack
Carrots with TP hummus
Or
Test new fruit- ½ portion (ex: 1/2 cup mango or blackberries)

Dinner
Approved protein
Steamed, Grilled or sautéed approved vegetables
Any approved lettuce with fresh herbs and grated carrots
Day Seventeen: Test exercise up to 30 minutes
Start working on your menus for days 21-25

Breakfast
Flax granola with ½ portion fruit

Lunch
Carrot Ginger Soup- optional
Salad with 15 grams of vegetarian protein

Snack
Any Approved Snack

Dinner
Approved protein
Sautéed kale with yellow squash, leeks
Any approved lettuce with herbs of choice

Day Eighteen: Test new fruit or new restaurant

Breakfast
New Cereal with chia seeds, sunflower seeds and approved fruit
Or
Blueberry pear compote

Lunch
Basil escarole soup
Salad with 15 grams of vegetarian protein

Snack
1 oz low sodium or no salt potato chips with 1/8th cup homemade guacamole
Or
New approved fruit

Dinner
Test restaurant if you did not test fruit
Day Nineteen: Test Exercise up to 30 minutes
Start working on your menus for days 21-25
Repeat favorite day thus far with most weight loss

Day Twenty: No Test
Repeat favorite day thus far with most weight loss
3 Main Reasons Why a Food Can Be Reactive

**Thyroid Dysfunction**

- Goitrogenic Food
  - Histamine response
  - Cortisol
    - Long-term fat production & storage
    - Hormone imbalance (estrogen/progesterone)
  - Trigger yeast
  - Altered gut flora (immunity, serotonin balance, hormone metabolism)

**Insulin Response**

- Reactive Food
  - Histamine response
    - Short-term water retention
  - Insulin release
    - Cortisol
    - Hormone imbalance (estrogen/progesterone)
    - Slowed thyroid function
    - Long-term fat production & storage
  - Sugars rise
  - Trigger yeast
  - Altered gut flora (immunity, serotonin balance, hormone metabolism)
3 Main Reasons Why a Food Can Be Reactive

**Food Sensitivity**

- **Short-term water retention**
- **Histamine response**
- **Long-term fat production & storage**
- **Cortisol**
- **Hormone imbalance** (estrogen/progesterone)
- **Trigger yeast**
- **Slowed thyroid function**
- **Altered gut flora** (immunity, serotonin balance, hormone metabolism)