# low FODMAP menus for a week

GET RELIEF FROM DIGESTIVE DISCOMFORT WITH THIS SCIENTIFICALLY PROVEN DIETARY APPROACH THAT REDUCES CERTAIN CARBOHYDRATE-RICH FOODS THAT CAN OVER-FUEL GUT BACTERIA.

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### BREAKFAST

14 cup (dry) cream of buckwheat cereal cooked with 114 cups lactose-free lowfat milk; top with 12 medium ripe banana\*
Peppermint Hot Cocoa (see recipe 1, page 3)

#### MORNING SNACK

6 FF brown rice crackers\*\*
1 tbsp natural almond butter

#### LUNCH

Quick Hamburger: 2 slices FF bread\*\*, 4 oz broiled lean ground beef patty, 1 slice tomato, ¼ cup baby spinach and 1 tsp FF Dijon mustard\*\*

1 cup carrot sticks
½ cup raspberries\* (fresh or frozen)

### AFTERNOON SNACK

1 oz FF gluten-free pretzels\*\*
½ oz FF dark chocolate\*\*

### **DINNER**

Stir-Fry Shrimp & Noodles (see recipe 2, page 3) Raw Zucchini Spring Rolls with Lime Cashew Dipping Sauce (see recipe, page 3) 1 kiwifruit\*

Daily total: 1811 cal, 63g fat (17g mono, 7g poly, 16g sat), 179mg chol, 1,914mg sodium, 238g carb (27g fiber, 65g sugars), 85g protein

## DAY 2

### BREAKFAST

1/2 cup FF cornflakes\*\*; top with 2 tbsp chopped walnuts\*, 1/2 cup frozen wild blueberries\* and 1/3 cup lactose-free lowfat milk

10 oz FF plain lowfat kefir

### MORNING SNACK

2 tbsp dry-roasted sunflower seeds\*

### LUNCH

Turkey Sandwich: 2 slices
FF bread, 3 oz thin
sliced turkey breast,
1 oz reduced-fat cheddar
cheese, 1/3 cup spinach,
2 slices tomato and 2 tsp
FF Dijon mustard
1 oz FF gluten-free pretzels

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1 kiwifruit\*

### AFTERNOON SNACK

½ cup cucumber slices ½ cup sweet red pepper strips

Yogurt Dill Dip (see recipe 3, page 3)

### **DINNER**

90g protein

Pasta with Meat Sauce:
1 cup cooked (2 oz dry)
corn pasta; top with
½ cup FF pasta sauce, 3 oz
cooked lean ground beef
crumbles, ½ cup cooked
baby spinach and 1 tbsp
shredded Parmesan cheese
½ cup FF raspberry sorbet\*

Daily total: 1791 cal, 61g fat (9g mono, 16g poly,17g sat), 176mg chol, 2,527mg sodium, 226g carb (23g fiber, 87g sugars),

2 FF gluten-free cookies\*

## DAY 3

### **BREAKFAST**

2 Egg Muffins (see recipe 4, page 3)

2 oz pork loin cutlets, broiled 1 small orange\*

8 oz lactose-free lowfat milk

### MORNING SNACK

3 cups air-popped popcorn with dash of salt

### LUNCH

Pasta & Chicken: 1 cup
cooked (2 oz dry) corn
pasta; top with ½ cup FF
pasta sauce, 3 oz cooked
chopped skinless chicken
breast, ½ cup cooked
baby spinach and 1 tbsp
shredded Parmesan cheese
1 kiwifruit\*

### AFTERNOON SNACK

8 FF brown rice crackers\*\*
1½ oz reduced-fat cheddar
cheese

#### DINNER

recipe 5, page 3)
Baked Zucchini Wedges (see recipe 6, page 3)
½ cup FF raspberry sorbet\*
2 FF gluten-free cookies\*

Hamburger Casserole (see

Daily total: 1,820 cal, 55g fat (17g mono, 5g poly, 20g sat), 566mg chol, 2,367mg sodium, 208g carb (26g fiber, 80g sugars), 124g protein

## DAY4

### BREAKFAST

Toast: 2 slices FF bread with 1 tbsp FF raspberry spread\* 1 hardboiled egg sprinkled with black pepper ½ medium ripe banana\* 8 oz FF plain lowfat kefir\*\*

### MORNING SNACK

6 oz FF lactose-free plain low-fat yogurt\*\* 1 tbsp chopped walnuts

#### LUNCH

Cornflake-Crusted Pork Cutlets (see recipe 7, page 3)

Zucchini Ribbons (see recipe 8, page 3)

½ cup cooked brown rice
½ cup raspberries (fresh or frozen)\*

2 FF gluten-free cookies\*

### AFTERNOON SNACK

1 oz FF gluten-free pretzels with 1½ tbsp FF Dijon mustard for dipping 8 oz lactose-free lowfat milk

#### DINNEH

Dilly Baked Salmon (see recipe 9, page 3)

½ cup cooked butternut squash\* with 1 tsp butter

Spinach Salad: 2 cups baby spinach, ½ cup chopped tomato, ½ cup chopped red pepper and Vinegar & Oil Dressing (see recipe 10, page 3)

1/2 cup raw pineapple\*

Daily total: 1,808 cal, 64g fat (19g mono, 9g poly, 20g sat), 361mg chol, 2,110mg sodium, 207g carb (21g fiber, 86g sugars), 106g protein

## DAY 5

### **BREAKFAST**

2 Egg Muffins (see recipe 4, page 3)

Toast: 1 slice FF gluten-free bread; top with 1 tsp butter and 1 tsp FF raspberry spread\* 8 oz FF plain lowfat kefir

### MORNING SNACK

6 FF brown rice crackers\*\*
1½ oz reduced-fat cheddar
cheese

### LUNCH

Italian Salad: 3 cups baby spinach, ¼ cup grated carrot, 1 tbsp Parmesan cheese and Vinegar & Oil Dressing (see recipe 10, page 3)

Chicken Noodle Soup (see recipe 11, page 3) ½ cup raw pineapple\*

### AFTERNOON SNACK

4 cups air-popped popcorn; after cooked, spray with nonstick cooking spray and sprinkle with 1 tsp FF Italian seasoning\*\*

### DINNER

Leftover Cornflake-Crusted Pork Cutlets (see Day 4 Lunch)

Baked Zucchini Wedges (see recipe 6, page 3)

1 medium baked potato with 1 tsp butter

Ambrosia Salad\*: ½ small orange, ¼ medium ripe banana (sliced) and 2 tbsp shredded unsweetened coconut

Daily total: 1794 cal, 67g fat (22g mono, 6g poly, 27g sat), 508mg chol, 2,273mg sodium, 180g carb (21g fiber, 47g sugars), 124g protein

## DAY 6

### **BREAKFAST**

1/4 cup (dry) cream of buckwheat cereal cooked with 11/4 cups lactose-free lowfat milk; top with 1/2 cup wild blueberries\* (frozen, thawed), 2 tbsp chopped walnuts\* and 1 tsp sugar

### **MORNING SNACK**

1½ oz FF gluten-free pretzels 1 oz FF dark chocolate\*

### LUNCH

Shrimp Spinach Salad: 3 cups baby spinach, 2 oz medium boiled shrimp, 1 boiled and chopped egg, ½ cup chopped tomato, 1 tbsp sunflower seeds and Vinegar & Oil Dressing (see recipe 10, page 3) 8 FF brown rice crackers ½ cup raw pineapple\*

### AFTERNOON SNACK

6 oz FF lactose-free plain low-fat yogurt ½ tbsp chopped walnuts

### DINNER

1 serving leftover Hamburger
Casserole (see Day 3
Dinner)
½ cup cucumber slices
½ cup red pepper strips
Ambrosia Salad\*: ½ small
orange, ¼ medium ripe
banana (sliced) and 2 tbsp
shredded unsweetened
coconut

Daily total: 1,796 cal, 67g fat (14g mono, 14g poly, 24g sat), 373mg chol, 1,876mg sodium, 228g carb (23g fiber, 78g sugars), 80g protein

## DAY 7

### **BREAKFAST**

Toast: 2 slices FF gluten-free bread; top with 1 tbsp FF raspberry spread\*

- 1 hardboiled egg sprinkled with black pepper
- 1 small orange\*
- 8 oz lactose-free lowfat milk

### MORNING SNACK

8 FF brown rice crackers 1 oz reduced-fat cheddar cheese

### LUNCH

Grilled Cheese Sandwich:

2 slices FF gluten-free
bread spread with 2 tsp
butter, and topped with
1½ oz reduced-fat cheddar
cheese and 2 slices tomato,
then pan-fried
1 cup carrot sticks
1 cup sweet red pepper strips

Yogurt Dill Dip (see recipe 3,

page 3)
1 kiwifruit\*

### AFTERNOON SNACK

Peppermint Hot Cocoa (see recipe 1, page 3) 2 tbsp walnut halves\*

#### DINNER

4 oz broiled sirloin steak ½ cup cooked butternut squash\* with 1 tsp butter ½ cup cooked brown rice 5 tomato slices ½ cup FF raspberry sorbet\*

Daily total: 1,820 cal, 64g fat (10g mono, 11g poly, 25g sat), 363mg chol, 1,596mg sodium, 212g carb (24g fiber, 103g sugars), 100g protein



## What is a low FODMAP diet?

FODMAP stands for
Fermentable, Oligosaccharides
(including fructans such as
wheat, onions, and garlic, and
galactans such as legumes),
Disaccharides (lactose),
Monosaccharides (fructose),
And Polyols (sorbitol, maltitol,
mannitol, xylitol, polydextrose,
and isomalt), which are types
of carbohydrates.

A low-FODMAP diet typically restricts such carbohydrates for 2 months, during which time FODMAP-related symptoms, such as bloating, gas, abdominal pain, diarrhea, and/or constipation should improve, if diet is the cause.

After this strict diet, you methodically reintroduce the different types of FODMAPS (ideally, under the supervision of a nutrition expert) to determine your individual tolerance. For more information about low-FODMAP diets, visit these websites:

- blog.katescarlata.com
- ibsfree.net
- shepherdworks.com.au

\* Do not exceed portion sizes for these items. Ideally, fruit servings should be eaten at least 3 hours apart.

\*\* FF = FODMAP friendly; Check our shopping list on page 4 of this PDF for brand recommendations.

## **Quick Recipes to Complete Your Menus**

(each makes 1 serving unless otherwise noted)

### 1. Peppermint Hot Cocoa

In a saucepan over medium heat, heat 1 cup lactose-free lowfat milk and 1 tbsp cocoa powder until hot. Remove from heat and add 6 drops liquid stevia extract and 1 drop food-grade peppermint essential oil or peppermint extract.

### 2. Stir-Fry Shrimp & Noodles

Soak 2 oz thin brown rice Asian noodles in hot water for 6-8 minutes or until soft: drain. In a skillet, heat 1 tbsp oil. Add ½ cup green beans and stir-fry until tender, 6 minutes. Add 3 oz medium peeled shrimp; stir-fry until shrimp turns opaque and pink. Add drained noodles and 1 tbsp FF reduced-sodium tamari soy sauce to pan and cook briefly to warm.

### 3. Yogurt Dill Dip

In a bowl, combine 3 oz lactose-free low-fat plain yogurt, 2 tsp fresh (or 1 tsp dried) dill weed, and 2 tsp chopped walnuts.

### 4. Egg Muffins

Preheat oven to 350°. Line 4 muffin cups with parchment paper baking cups. Brown 2 oz lean ground beef. Beat 4 large eggs. Combine beef, eggs, 2 tbsp reduced-fat shredded cheddar cheese, ⅓ cup chopped zucchini, ⅓ cup chopped sweet red pepper, and a dash of salt and pepper. Pour mixture into prepared muffin cups. Bake 18-20 minutes or until toothpick inserted in center comes out clean. Makes 4 muffins.

## 5. Hamburger Casserole

Preheat oven to 350°. Brown 1 lb lean grass-fed ground beef crumbles. Cut 1½ cups thin, round carrot slices. Cut 3 medium white potatoes into thin slices. Layer ingredients in a 21/2-quart casserole dish in this order: beef, carrots then potatoes, sprinkling each layer lightly with salt and pepper. Combine 1 cup strained jarred tomatoes and 11/4 cups water; pour over top of casserole. Cover dish and bake for 90 minutes. Makes 4 servings.

### 6. Baked Zucchini Wedges

Preheat oven to 350°. Cut 1 medium zucchini lengthwise into four wedges. Brush wedges with oil and place, peel side down, on a broiler pan. Combine 2 tbsp Parmesan cheese and 1 tsp FF Italian seasoning; sprinkle over wedges. Bake until tender, about 15 minutes, then broil for 2 minutes.

### 7. Cornflake-Crusted **Pork Cutlets**

Preheat oven to 350°. Line a baking sheet with foil. Place a cooling rack on baking sheet. Crush 1 cup FF cornflakes in a plastic bag with a rolling pin. Beat 1 egg and add a dash of salt and pepper. Dip 8 oz of thin pork cutlets into beaten egg, then press both sides of cutlets into cornflakes; place on prepared rack. Bake until pork is cooked through, about 15 minutes. Makes 2 servings.

### 8. Zucchini Ribbons

Run a vegetable peeler lengthwise down 1 medium zucchini to create thin ribbons. In a skillet, heat 2 tsp oil over medium. Sauté ribbons until tender. Remove from heat and sprinkle with 1 tbsp Parmesan.

### 9. Dilly Baked Salmon

Preheat oven to 350°. Place 4 oz salmon on a piece of foil large enough to wrap the fish. Drizzle 1 tbsp lemon juice over salmon, then sprinkle with ½ tsp fresh (or 1/4 tsp dried) dill weed. Seal salmon in foil and place in a baking dish. Bake for 25-30 minutes or until fish flakes easily.

## 10. Vinegar & Oil Dressing

Combine 1 tsp distilled white vinegar, 2 tsp extra-virgin olive oil, ¼ tsp dried oregano leaves, 1/4 tsp dried basil leaves, and a dash of salt and pepper.

## 11. Chicken Noodle Soup

Combine 1½ cups FF chicken bone stock, 2 oz chopped cooked boneless, skinless chicken breast, 1 oz (dry) thin brown rice Asian noodles, and a dash of salt. Heat until noodles are soft and soup is hot.



### Raw Zucchini Spring Rolls with Lime-Cashew **Dipping Sauce**

Serves 6, Gluten Free, Vegan, Raw

FOR THE DIPPING SAUCE:

- 1/2 cup raw cashew or almond butter
- 4 fresh kaffir lime leaves
- 1 tablespoon nama shoyu (or tamari)
- 1-2 small Thai chiles (seeded, to taste)
- 2 tablespoons fresh lemon juice (about 1
- 1/2-3/4 cup filtered water (as needed)

FOR THE SPRING ROLLS:

- 3 medium-large zucchini (divided)
- ½ cup fresh basil leaves
- ½ cup fresh cilantro leaves
- 2-4 tablespoons mint leaves (to taste)
- 1. Place all sauce ingredients in a blender, blending in water slowly as needed for desired consistency. Purée until smooth. (Makes 1 cup sauce.)
- 2. Use a mandolin to slice two of the zucchinis into very thin, long strips. Set strips aside to "wilt" a bit.
- 3. Slice remaining zucchini into 3-inch matchsticks. Remove stems from basil, cilantro and mint. Place a zucchini strip on a flat surface. Layer the end closest to you with a few zucchini matchsticks, basil, cilantro and mint leaves; roll up on a slight diagonal to secure filling inside strip. Serve with dipping sauce. Refrigerated, sauce will keep for 4-5 days; rolls will keep for 2 days.

0mg chol, 134mg sodium, 10g carb (2g fiber), 5g protein

## **SHOPPING LIST**

Here's everything you'll need to make the week's worth of low-FODMAP menus for one person. TRY these FODMAP-friendly product recommendations.

FRUITS & VEGETABLES	GRAINS
□ 2 medium bananas	☐ 1 loaf FF bread (TRY: Udi's Gluten-Free
□ 4 kiwifruit	White Sandwich Bread)
□ 2 lemons	☐ 1 bag brown rice
□ 3 small oranges	☐ 3 oz thin brown rice Asian noodles
□ 1 pineapple	(TRY: Annie Chun's Maifun Brown
□ 1 cup raspberries (fresh or frozen,	Rice Noodles)
unsweetened)	☐ 1 pkg FF brown rice crackers (TRY:
□ 1½ cups frozen wild blueberries	Edward & Sons Brown Rice Snaps,
□ 11 cups baby spinach	Unsalted)
□ 2 lbs carrots	☐ 1 box FF corn flakes (TRY: Erewhon
□ 1 cucumber	Organic Gluten-Free Corn Flakes)
☐ 4 medium white potatoes	☐ 4 oz corn pasta (TRY: Mrs. Leeper's
□ 1 small butternut squash	100% Organic Corn Rotelli)
□ ½ cup green beans (fresh or frozen)	☐ 1 box cream of buckwheat cereal
□ 2 small Thai chiles	(TRY: Pocono Organic Cream of
□ 3 sweet red peppers	Buckwheat)
☐ 4 medium tomatoes	□ 5 oz FF gluten-free pretzels (TRY:
□ 3 medium zucchini	Gratify Gluten-Free Pretzels, Sea Salt
□ 1 bunch fresh cilantro	Sticks)
□ 1 pkg fresh basil	☐ 1 bag popcorn kernels
□ 1 pkg fresh dill weed	AULTO CAULT DUTTEDO
☐ 4 fresh kaffir lime leaves	NUTS & NUT BUTTERS
□ 1 pkg mint leaves	☐ 1 jar natural unsweetened almond butter
PROTEINS & DAIRY	☐ 1 cup raw walnut halves
□ 8 oz boneless, skinless chicken breasts	☐ 3 tbsp dry-roasted sunflower seeds
□ 2 lbs lean grass-fed ground beef	in 5 this party rousted suffice of seeds
□ 5 oz medium boiled shrimp	MISCELLANEOUS
(TRY: Henry & Lisa's Uncooked Natural	☐ 1½ cups FF chicken bone stock
Shrimp, peeled, tail-on, medium-size)	(TRY: Pacific Organic Chicken Bone
□ 10 oz lean pork loin cutlets	Stock, Unsalted)
□ 4 oz salmon	☐ 1 cup FF pasta sauce (TRY: Mario Batali
□ 4 oz sirloin steak	Neopolitan Pizza Sauce)
□ 3 oz turkey breast lunch meat	☐ 1 cup strained jarred tomatoes
(TRY: Organic Prairie Organic Roast	(TRY: Bionaturae Organic Strained
Turkey Breast)	Tomatoes, No Salt Added)
□ 7 large eggs	☐ 1.5 oz FF dark chocolate (TRY: Enjoy
□ 18 oz FF plain lowfat kefir	Life Semi-Sweet Chocolate Chunks)
(TRY: Lifeway Plain Lowfat Kefir,	☐ 4 FF gluten-free cookies (TRY: Schar
99% Lactose Free)	Gluten-Free Lady Fingers)
☐ 12 oz FF lactose-free plain low-fat	☐ 1 jar FF raspberry spread (TRY: Santa
yogurt (TRY: Green Valley Organics	Cruz Organic Seedless Red Raspberry
Lactose-Free Plain Yogurt)	Fruit Spread)
☐ ½ gallon lactose-free lowfat milk	☐ 1½ cups FF raspberry sorbet
(TRY: Organic Valley Lactose-Free	(TRY: Ciao Bella Pacific Northwest
Lowfat 1% Milk)	Raspberry Sorbetto)
□ 8 oz reduced-fat cheddar cheese block	$\square$ 2 tbsp shredded unsweetened coconut
□ 1/3 cup shredded Parmesan cheese	
$\square$ 1 tub or box organic butter	PANTRY STAPLES
	□ Black pepper
	□ lodized sea salt
	□ Cocoa powder

☐ White cane sugar

Alcohol-Free Liquid Stevia)

Peppermint extract or food-grade peppermint essential oil

FF Italian Seasoning (TRY: Simply Organic Italian Seasoning)

Dried basil leaves

Dried oregano leaves

All-purpose cooking oil

All-purpose cooking spray

Extra-virgin olive oil

Distilled white vinegar

FF Dijon mustard (TRY: Woodstock Organic Dijon Mustard)

FF tamari soy sauce

(TRY: San-J Tamari Lite 50% Less Sodium Gluten-Free Soy Sauce)

☐ Liquid stevia extract (TRY: NuNaturals



Juicy Green Smoothie Serves 1, Gluten Free, Vegan, Raw

¾ to 1 cup unsweetened coconut water
 1 handful spinach leaves (about 1 oz)
 Juice of ½ orange (¼ to ⅓ cup)
 ½ small stalk celery with leaves,
 chopped

1/4 avocado (cubed)

**1.** Place all ingredients in a blender and blend until smooth. Add more coconut water to achieve desired consistency.

PER SERVING: 147 cal, 5g fat (3g mono, 1g poly, 1g sat), 0mg chol, 287mg sodium, 22g carb (6g fiber), 4g protein