

# NUTRITION FOR NEUROPATHY

# **Anti-Inflammatory Nutrition Guidelines**

Proper nutrition plays a vital role in maintaining overall health and adopting a well-balanced diet not only provides essential nutrients for various bodily functions but can also help reduce inflammation, alleviate symptoms, and improve overall well-being. Knowing which nutrients support your body's systems can help you lead a healthier life and reduce your chances of various health problems.

### **VEGETABLES**

Artichoke Arugula Asparagus Avocado Beet Greens Beets Bell Pepper Bok Choy Broccoli	Brussels Sprouts Cabbage Carrot Tops Carrots Cauliflower Celery Collard Greens	Cucumbers Dandelion Greens Eggplants Jalapeños Kale Leeks Lettuce Mushrooms	Mustard Greens Napa Cabbage Okra Onions Pumpkin Radicchio Radishes	Rutabagas Scallions Shallots Spinach Squash Sweet Potatoes Swiss Chard Tomatoes	Turnip Greens Watercress Yams Zucchini				
FRUITS									
Apples Apricots Blackberries Blueberries Cantaloupe	Cherries Clementines Coconut Cranberries Currants	Figs Grapefruit Grapes Kiwi Lemons	Limes Melons Nectarines Oranges Papaya	Peaches Pears Pineapple Plantains Plums	Pomegranate Raspberries Strawberries				
PANTRY STAPLES									
Apple Cider Vinegar Avocado Oil Balsamic Vinegar	Capers Coconut Aminos Coconut Milk	Coconut Oil Coconut Water Dijon Mustard	Grapeseed Oil Olive Oil Olives Palm Oil	Salsa Seltzer Water Sesame Oil Tallow	Vegetable Stock Walnut Oil				
PROTEIN									
Beef Bison Buffalo Black Beans Chicken	Chickpeas Cod Eggs (Chicken, Duck, Quail)	Garbanzo Beans Halibut Hummus Kidney Beans	Lamb Lima Beans Mackerel Mahi Mahi Pork Salmon	Shrimp Snap Beans Snapper String Beans Trout	Tuna Turkey White Beans Wild game				
BULK FOOD									
Almond Butter Almonds Arrowroot	Butter Cashews Couscous Flax Seed	Ghee Hazelnuts Hemp Seeds	Lentils Pistachios Pumpkin Seeds	Quinoa Sesame Seeds	Sunflower Seeds Walnuts				



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#### HERBS/SPICES

Basil	Chives	Cumin	Monkfruit	Sage	Turmeric
Black	Cilantro	Garlic	Oregano	Sea Salt	
Pepper	Cinnamon	Ginger	Paprika	Stevia	
Chili	Clove	Marjoram	Parsley	Tajin	
Powder	Coriander	Mint	Rosemary	Thyme	

# **Foods To Avoid**

Maintaining a balanced and healthy diet is essential for overall well-being. BUT it's also important to be cautious about foods that could potentially lead to inflammation, worsen existing health conditions, or intensify symptoms.

### **Refined Carbohydrates and Sugars:**

- White Flour Products: Items like white bread, pasta, and pastries with a high glycemic index can lead to blood sugar spikes, potentially cause nerve damage.
- Sugary Foods and Drinks: Candy, soda, and desserts containing high sugar content can contribute to inflammation and worsen symptoms.

## **Artificial Sweeteners:**

 Aspartame, Saccharin, and Sucralose: These artificial sweeteners found in diet sodas, sugar-free products, and low-calorie snacks may increase nerve pain and inflammation in some individuals.

#### **Saturated and Trans Fats:**

- Fried Foods: Deep-fried snacks, fast food, and processed foods often contain unhealthy trans fats that can promote inflammation and damage nerves
- High-Fat Dairy Products: Full-fat milk, cream, and cheese may contribute to inflammation and nerve damage.

#### **Processed Meats:**

 Deli Meats: Highly processed meats like bacon, sausages, and cold cuts may contain nitrites and nitrates, linked to nerve damage and inflammation.

#### **High Sodium Foods:**

 Canned Soups and Processed Foods: Foods with high sodium content can lead to water retention and negatively impact in health.

## Alcohol:

 Excessive alcohol consumption can magnify symptoms, directly damaging nerves and leading to nutrient deficiencies.



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• Individuals with gluten sensitivity or celiac disease may experience worsening symptoms if they consume gluten-containing foods like wheat, barley, and rye.