# FRUITS & VEGETABLES:

# THIS IS WHAT YOUR GRANDMA NEVER TAUGHT YOU

The vibrant colors of fruits & veggies aren't only nice to look at. They also tell us which special disease-fighting phytonutrients are inside. Learn what the phytonutrients do. And how much of each you need to fight disease and stay stronger for longer.

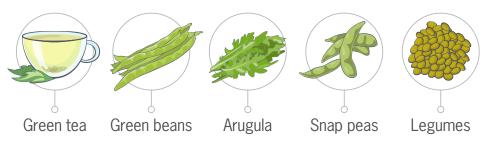
# MOST PEOPLE DON'T GET ENOUGH PHYTONUTRIENTS.

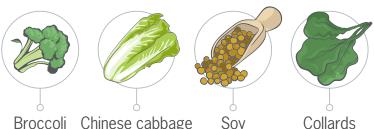
These "color deficiencies" increase our risk of heart disease, osteoporosis, cancer, diabetes, and more.

31% get enough greens	
22% get enough reds	
21% get enough yellows and oran	ges
14% get enough whites	
12% get enough purples and blues	

To maximize your health, EAT







Spinach

Green peas

Salad greens

Chard Brussels sprouts

Kale

Black tea

Parsley

















On average, adults eat

By contrast, they only eat

Cut heart disease risk by

**70lbs** 

of POTATOES per year

of BRUSSELS SPROUTS

22%

with 4 SERVINGS of legumes/week

#### **GREEN FRUITS AND VEGGIES ARE RICH IN THESE PHYTONUTRIENTS:**

EGCG, isothiocyanate, lutein, zeaxanthin, isofl avones, flavonoids, coumestans

### HERE'S HOW TO GET MORE GREENS IN YOUR DIET:

- Drink green tea
- Add kale, spinach, collards, and/or chard to smoothies
- Eat a variety of salad greens
- Make a bean salad with vinaigrette
- Add parsley to hummus
- Microwave frozen green peas
- Add cabbage and green beans to a stir-fry
- Include steamed broccoli



Tomato



Cranberries



Walnuts\*



Persimmon



Cherries



Raspberries

Grapefruit



Watermelon



Chili Powder†



Pomegranates



Red Cabbage



Papaya



With a SPF of

raspberry seed oil can be used as sunscreen

It takes about

cherries to make one cup of cherry juice



**Adults eat** 

pounds of tomatoes/tomato products per year

#### RED FRUITS AND VEGGIES ARE RICH IN THESE PHYTONUTRIENTS:

Lycopene, ellagic acid, caffeoylquinic acids, hydroxybenzoic acids

### HERE'S HOW TO GET MORE REDS IN YOUR DIET:

- Use tomato sauce for veggies, pasta, lasagna, or pizza
- Make a cranberry bread
- Snack on watermelon or grapefruit
- Add raspberries and walnuts to
- Try cherries with cocoa powder in a smoothie
- Make chili with tomatoes and chili powder
- Try red cabbage slaw
- Homemade tomato soup













Squash

Turmeric<sup>†</sup>









Pumpkin



Carrots



Sweet potato



Peaches



Adults eat

of sweet potatoes each year

The bioavailability of beta-carotene increases by

when carrots are cooked

Acorn squash has

of fiber per cooked cup

#### YELLOW/ORANGE FRUITS & VEGGIES ARE RICH IN THESE PHYTONUTRIENTS:

Alpha-carotene, beta-carotene, hesperetin, beta-cryptoxanthin, fl avonols, terpenoids, phthalides

## HERE'S HOW TO GET MORE YELLOWS / ORANGES IN YOUR DIET:

- Eat stuffed squash and pumpkin
- Try carrot and sweet potato soup
- Add turmeric to sauces, soups, dressings
- Add peaches or pineapple to smoothies
- Eat oranges, clementines, and cantaloupe
- Make a mango salad
- Add ginger to sauces, soups, dressings

















Green tea

Parsnips

Garlic<sup>†</sup>

Onions

Coconut\*

**Apples** 

Black tea

Rutabaga

Eating

Before cooking chopped garlic, wait

For an anticoagulant effect, eat

may help to reduce garlic breath

to preserve the phytonutrients

of garlic per day

# WHITE FRUITS AND VEGGIES ARE RICH IN THESE PHYTONUTRIENTS:

Flavonols, allicin, quercetin, sulfides

### HERE'S HOW TO GET MORE WHITES IN YOUR DIET:

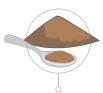
- Add garlic and onions to soup and stir-fries
- Drink some green or black tea
- Snack on apples
- Add coconut to a smoothie
- Make parsnip soup
- Try mashed cauliflower instead of potato



Cranberries



**Beets** 



Cocoa<sup>†</sup>



Eggplant



Wine



Blueberries

Grapes



Peanuts\*



Prunes\*



Blackberries



Strawberries



Purple potatoes



After eating beets,

You can lower blood pressure with

A handful of dried plums has

10-15% 500 ml

of the population develop pink urine

of beet juice

of sorbitol, which has a laxative effect

# PURPLE/BLUE FRUITS AND VEGGIES ARE RICH IN THESE PHYTONUTRIENTS:

Anthocyanins, resveratrol, hydroxycinnamic acids

### HERE'S HOW TO GET MORE PURPLES/BLUES IN YOUR DIET:

- Snack on grapes
- Add blueberries to oatmeal
- Make eggplant curry
- Try a roasted beet salad
- Add blackberries to smoothies
- Snack on strawberries
- Make a cranberry oat crumble

- \*For these foods, a single serving is 1/8 of a cup
- <sup>†</sup> For these foods, a single serving is 1 tsp

For more information and to download our free fruit and veggie cheat sheet, visit www.precisionnutrition.com/color-chart

