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LOW CARB DIET

In a low carb diet, less than 130 g of carbohydrates should be consumed per day. However, not only the quantity but also the type of carbohydrate is important. Simple carbohydrates initially lead to a rapid rise and later to a rapid fall in blood sugar levels, which can have a negative impact on health. Complex carbohydrates, on the other hand, cause a slow rise and a slow decline in blood sugar levels. Additionally, they provide longer-lasting satiety.

Therefore, prefer foods with complex carbohydrates.

Foods with simple carbohydrates:

- Household sugar
- Syrup, honey
- Sweets, snacks
- Juices, lemonades
- White flour products

Foods that are particularly low in carbohydrates are suitable to eat, including:

- Meat
- Fish
- Eggs
- Vegetables
- Nuts, seeds

Tips for implementing the low carb diet

- Avoid foods with simple carbohydrates
- Avoid ready-made products
- Favour wholemeal products
- Eat plenty of vegetables
- Use sugar substitutes for sweetening
- Spread carbohydrates throughout the day
- Combine fruit with curd or natural yoghurt









Foods with complex carbohydrates:

- Potatoes
- Wholemeal products
- Pulses

Although fruit contains large amounts of simple carbohydrates, it also has many health-promoting properties. Favour fruit with a lower sugar content. This mainly includes berries. Avoid or reduce fruit with a high sugar content and combine it with protein- and fat-rich foods.

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| PREFER | AVOID |
| Mineral water, tea/coffee (unsweetened) | Fruit juices, lemonades, juice spritzers Alcoholic drinks (especially liqueurs, sweet wines) |
| Fresh fruit | Canned fruit, dried fruit, Apples, bananas, pears, cherries, grapes, mangoes, nectarines, peaches, pineapples, figs |
| Wholemeal products (wholemeal pasta, brown rice) Quinoa, couscous, bulgur, amaranth Oat flakes | White flour products (white bread, pretzels) Sweetened muesli, cake |
| Natural nuts | Nuts with dough/sugar coating |
| High-quality unprocessed meat varieties | Breaded/pickled meat |
| Fresh/frozen fish | Tinned fish with sauce |
| All unsweetened dairy products | Yoghurt/curd/ready-to-drink beverages with added sugar |
| All unsweetened milk substitutes | Milk substitutes with added sugar |
| Dark chocolate (min. 70 %) | Sweets, snacks |
| Stevia, erythritol, xylitol Artificial sweeteners | Sugar, honey, syrup |

The table only contains examples of foods and does not represent a complete list.

Notes:

A more detailed table on carbohydrate-rich and low-carbohydrate foods can be found in the flyer "Ketogenic diet".

This recommendation does not consider any other intolerances or allergies. It also does not claim to be exhaustive and serves only as an initial guide. It does not replace the advice of a professional nutritionist.

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