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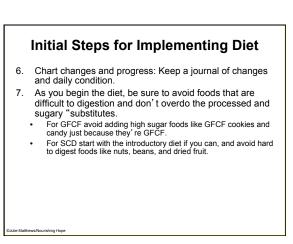
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MSG

✓ Avoid Nitrates/nitrites

# Initial Steps for Implementing Diet

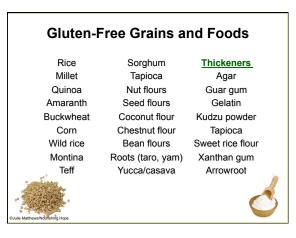
- Experiment. Before removing anything, introduce diet compliant alternatives (example: rice pasta, GF waffles, and other GFCF foods and snacks)-this will support the elimination portion later.
- 2. Explore diet resources (books, cookbooks, videos, autism websites).
- 3. Create a meal plan—list foods, meals, and snacks your child will eat or that you would like to make on new diet.
- 4. Shop for foods according to meal plan.
- 5. Then, begin diet:
  - With GFCF, eliminate one at a time: 1)Start with the elimination of casein—for two weeks, then 2) Remove gluten and continue both (GFCF) for 3-6 months
  - With SCD consider the intro diet and evolve through stages



#### **GFCF** Tips

- ✓ Substitute the same foods your child likes with gluten/casein-free options. For example, if they eat waffles every morning, buy rice flour waffles.
- Do not increase the amount of sugar in the diet. When going GFCF, it is common to start substituting anything gluten-free, including high sugar cookies. Avoid this.
- ✓ If the package does not say Gluten-free and Casein-free, call the manufacturer to be sure. Wheat-free and Dairy-free, do not necessarily mean GFCF.
- ✓ Put gluten and dairy free options into your usual containers, i.e. put rice milk in the milk container. Make this transition slowly diluting the dairy to nondairy over a week or two.
- ✓ Make sure your child's nutritional needs are met. Calcium, protein, etc.
- ✓ Once your child is GFCF, begin to strategize on how you can introduce healthier foods such as vegetables and fresh vegetable juices, fermented foods, antioxidant-rich foods and other nutrient-dense choices.

Healthy GFCF		
Eat	Avo	id
Protein at breakfast and throughout day	Sugar cereals	
Fresh fruit	Loads of GFCF cookies and high sugar foods	
Get creative with adding vegetables	Just "kids foods" without many nutrients - hotdogs, fries, pizza	
Healthy snacks with protein and/or vegetables - chicken pancakes, carrot chips	Processed snacks/reinforcers - chips, pretzels, gummy bears	
Fresh made vegetable juice	Fruit juice	
Fermented foods	Food ruts and jags (add new health foods)	



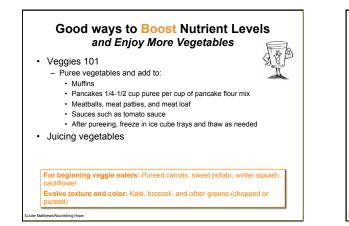






# Vegetables

- Work on getting them in where ever you can
- Puree them and add them to other foods
- Try them raw
- Make them crunchy
- Steam them
- · Add a dipping sauce
- Work on them in therapy (if necessary)



#### Good ways to Boost Nutrient Levels and Enjoy More Vegetables

· Crunchy texture

- Make vegetables into chips (like potato chips). Use carrots, sweet potatoes, butternut squash, beets, parsnips, or other roots or dense vegetables.
- Vegetable latkes
- Shredded vegetables:
  - Add shredded beets to chocolate cake for birthdays
  - Add shredded carrots or zucchini to muffins or bread
  - Shred zucchini and other vegetables, and add to vegetable/potato hash browns

Broths

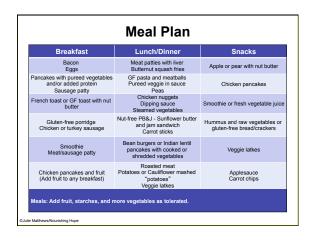
- Use broth for soups or stews. Cook grains or pasta in broth. Add concentrated homemade broth to sauces.
- Seaweed, nettles and greens Add to cooking grains, soups,
- tomato sauce, even boiling pasta to impart nutrients
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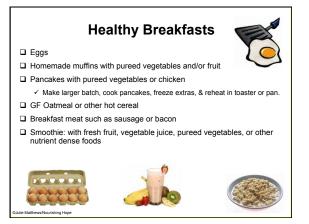
#### **Kid-Friendly Fermented Foods**

- · Add non-dairy yogurt to fruit and puree into a smoothie
- · Use a small amount of fruit and yogurt to make a fruit-
- yogurt dipping sauce for fruit kebabs.Apple Kraut: Shred apple and add 50/50 with raw
- Apple Naul. Since apple and add 50/50 with naw sauerkraut to reduce sourness. Serve as shredded fruit salad.
- Puree raw sauerkraut or other cultured vegetables in food processor with apple sauce (or other fruit sauce)
- Fermented drinks: Young coconut kefir, non-dairy kefired sodas, kombucha









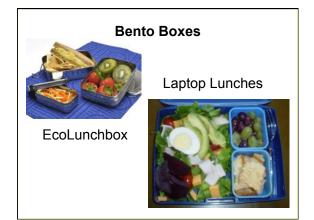
# Healthy Snacks 🍋

- Fruit kebabs with nut yogurt dipping sauce
- · Nut butters (almond, cashew, sunflower seed) on apple or celerv
- Smoothie or homemade popsicles with pureed vegetables, vegetable juice, fresh fruit, nut yogurt
- · Hummus with vegetables or pita
- · Chicken pancakes
  - Blend 1 cup cooked chicken breast with 2 eggs. Pour in pan like pancake batter and cook.
- · Homemade carrot or butternut squash chips





- GF chicken nuggets or burger
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# **Bento Lunches**

- Traditional Bento
- ChickenRice
- Green beans or Freeze-dried veggie mix
- Pear with sunflower butter
- GFCF
- Sausage
- Potato pancakes with shredded veggies
- Frozen peas
- Strawberries with chocolate nut butter dipping sauce SCD
- Beef burger
   Fruit such as golden delicious apple sliced with sunflower butter
- dipping sauce
- Spaghetti squash

- Nut or coconut muffin

## **Healthy Dinner**

- Protein:
  - Meatballs or meatloaf
  - Hamburgers or meat patties
  - Chicken nuggets (GFCF or SCD)
  - Roasted meat
  - Beans and bean burgers
- Vegetables
  - Cooked vegetables
  - Raw salad vegetables
  - Pureed into soups and dishes
  - Starches or mock starches
  - Potatoes or SCD "mashed cauliflower potatoes"
  - Rice or pasta for GFCF
  - Butternut squash fries



# **Rotation Diet**

- · Supports consuming food when mild to moderate sensitivities are present (not food allergies)
- · Helps prevent further food sensitivities from developing
- Typical rotation diet is once every 4 days
- A "day" can be one calendar day from morning to night, or dinner to lunch/snack the next day

4-Day Rotation Diet					
	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	
	Chicken Grain-free Almond	Beef Rice Sunflower seeds	Turkey Potato Cashew	Pork GF oats Egg- & Nut-free	
Breakfast	Almond flour pancakes Berries	Muffin with rice flour and pureed pumpkin Apple with sunflower butter	Eggs Turkey sausage Blueberries	Bacon GF Oatmeal or oat flour muffin	
Lunch	Chicken nuggets Peas Fruit	Hamburger w/ GF bun Pickle Fruit	Sliced turkey Hummus & carrots Fruit	Pork sausage Carrot chips Fruit	
Snack	Chicken pancakes Pear	Rice bread and sunflower butter Banana	Potato/veggie latkes Cashews	Apple sauce with pureed raw sauerkraut Bacon from AM	
Dinner	Roasted chicken Butternut squash fries Broccoli	Beef stir-fry with vegetables Rice	Turkey meatballs with pureed veg. Dipping sauce Potato	Pork chop or patty Sweet potato fries or pureed in patty Green beans	

# **Let's get ready to cook!** Kitchen & Cookware

# **GFCF Cooking Staples**

- Vinegar. Rice vinegar, apple cider vinegar, red and white wine vinegars, and balsamic vinegar are gluten-free. Distilled vinegars are also gluten-free because of the manufacturing process. Be careful at restaurants; cheap brands of vinegar that use colors or flavors may contain gluten.
- Ketchup and mustard are made with vinegar so check to ensure they' re gluten-free. French's mustard is gluten-free. Dijon mustard is also glutenfree. Heinz and Westbrae ketchups are gluten-free.
- Vanilla extract may or may not be gluten-free depending on the alcohol used. Frontier and McCormick's are gluten-free.
- Herbs and Spices. Good quality herbs and spice brands such as Frontier, Penzy, even McCormick are gluten-free for the most part. For these brands, herbs and spices that are single spices such as basil, cinnamon, or onion powder, are gluten-free. However, spice blends, are typically not glutenfree, such as apple pie spice, Mexican seasoning, and chili powder (such is a blend of chilis).
- Baking powder Rumford brand is GFCF and aluminum-free

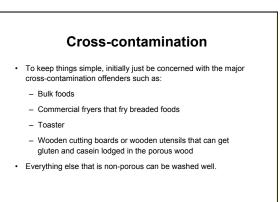
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# Cooking Oils

- Cold: Olive oil, unrefined nut/seed oils, flaxseed oil
- · Light/medium heat: Olive oil, raw coconut oil
- High heat/frying: Ghee, Lard or other animal fat (grass-fed only), Expeller pressed coconut oil
- · Baking: melted ghee, coconut oil, palm oil

Not: corn, soy, cottonseed, or canola

4	Avoiding Toxins in the Kitchen				
	Toxins Around the Kitchen	Safer Cooking Alternatives			
	Avoid aluminum cans	Buy in glass			
	Avoid storing in plastic	Store in glass w/metal or plastic lid			
	Avoid Teflon, copper, and aluminum pans	Use stainless steel (attracts a magnet), cast iron or enameled cast iron			
	Avoid the microwave, do not reheat in plastic	Heat in oven or on stove			
	Avoid plastic wrap & aluminum foil	Use wax paper or glass with lid			
	Be careful of lead in slow cookers	Consider Le Creuset Dutch oven			
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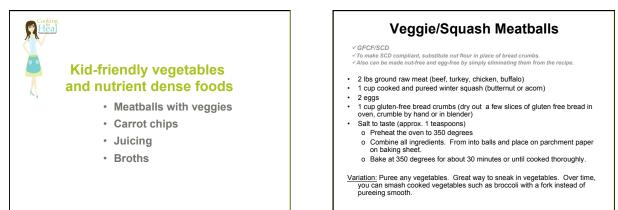


# Cook free of **Food Sensitivities**

- ✓ All recipes are gluten-free, casein-free, soy-free and corn-free
- ✓ Substitutes are available for egg-free and nutfree for most recipes
- ✓ Many recipes can be made grain-free and SCD compliant









✓GFCF/SCD/BED/FG/FS ✓EGG-FREE/NUT-FREE

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- · Cut carrots into thin discs or curls with a vegetable peeler.
- · Deep fry in coconut oil or grapeseed oil until lightly brown around edge.
- Remove from oil and place on paper towel to absorb excess oil. Salt chips.
- $\checkmark\,$  They are still a little soggy when they first come out, but they will firm up as they cool.
- ✓ You can use butternut squash, parsnips, or beets, as well as other vegetables (if dietary compliant). Parsnips are not SCD.



· Drink or dilute with 50% mineral water.

How to choose a juicer: www.discountjuicers.com/compare.html



#### **Broths: Chicken**

1 whole pastured chicken Gizzards, head and feet from one chicken (optional) 4 quarts cold filtered water 2 tablespoons vinegar Add any vegetables desired

- Cut whole chicken. Place into a large stainless steel pot with water and vinegar. Let stand 30 minutes to 45 minutes.
- Add vegetables. Gently bring to a boil. Skim any scum that rises to the top. Reduce heat, cover and simmer for 6 to 24 hours.
- $1\frac{1}{2}$  2 hours in, remove chicken that easily falls off the bone and use in chicken soup or a chicken dish. Add the greens 30 minutes before the stock is complete.
- Strain the stock and cool in your refrigerator. Once fat has hardened and congeals on the top, scoop it off and save it for cooking. Store broth in refrigerator or freezer depending on length of storage.



· Vegetarian Protein: Bean **Burgers** 

# Chicken Nuggets (Egg-Free)



Chicken breasts or thighs 2/3 cup GF flour (I use 2/3 brown rice flour and 1/3 potato starch or tapioca starch or a combo of both) 2 tsp apple cider vinegar or other GF vinegar 1/2 tsp baking soda 1/3 cup water 1/2 tsp sal

- Cut up the chicken into nugget sized pieces
- · Measure out your ingredients so you can combine everything fairly rapidly. Mix the flour and salt in the bowl you will use for dipping the chicken. Combine the soda and vinegar and quickly add it to the flour as it fizzes.
- Quickly add the water next. Mix it together with a fork. Heat oil in a pan. Dip the chicken in the batter. When the pan is hot, place the nuggets in the pan. Turn them over half way through cooking so they cook on
- both sides.
- Drain on paper towel. Serve alone or with a dipping sauce. Freeze leftovers.
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# **Chicken Pancakes**



✓ GECE/SCD/I OD/BED

- 1 chicken breast precooked (season as desired while boiling) 3 eggs
- Using a food processor, blend ingredients together until completely smooth. Mixture will look just like thick pancake batter.
- Use 1/4 cup of the mixture and cook in hot greased skillet like a pancake. Batter may need to be spread out a bit so that it is not too thick.
- These cook much faster than nut flour pancakes. Watch them closely.
- Makes 4-5 pancakes.



# **Burgers with Liver**

✓GFCF/SCD/LOD/FG ✓EGG-FREE/NUT-FREE

- 1lb ground beef
- ¼-1/3 cup ground liver (put liver in food processor and blend until smooth) about 2-3 oz. Avoid any liver that is not thoroughly blended
- 1-2 teaspoons onion powder
- Rosemary, white pepper, or other herb or spice (white pepper is lower oxalate)
- Salt. dash
- · Mix together and form into patties. Cook as usual.

✓ Make it FG without herbs and spices except salt.

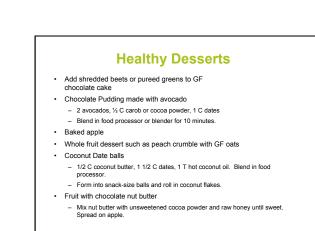
✓ Liver has a high level of iron, vitamins A & C, zinc, etc.











# Soaking "Seeds" - Easy to do Grains, nuts, seeds, beans · Breaks down phytic acid and oxalates · Fermenting grains breaks down lectins Nuts - Soak in water (with or w/o salt) for 7-12 hours. Drain and refrigerate, use to make nut milk, or drain and dehydrate (eat or make nut butter)

## Nut milk

- 1 C nuts/seeds (any)
- Filtered water for soaking nuts
- 3 C filtered water

· Let it rise

Vanilla extract

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- · A sweetener a few dates, maple syrup, or honey
- ✓ Soak nuts in water for around 8 hours. Strain water used to soak nuts.
- ✓ Combine nuts, fresh water, dates (if used) and blend until creamy.
- ✓ Strain the milk by pouring the liquid through a vegetable juicer (which strains out the pulp), or with a muslin or other cloth.
- ✓ Sweeten and flavor with vanilla and sweetener to taste.
- ✓ Nut milk will keep two to three days in the refrigerator (no longer).

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### **Nutritious Dessert - Date Balls**



1/2 cups pitted dates
 1/2-3/4 cup coconut butter
 1/4 cup finely shredded dried coconut
 1 cup finely shredded dried coconut (used for rolling the balls).

1. In a food processor, blend the dates into paste

- Add the coconut butter or nut butter and pulse a few times until the ingredients are mixed. If too difficult/sticky to pulse with nut butter, mix by hand.
- 3. Add dried coconut and process for 5 to 10 seconds more.
- 4. Melt coconut oil and add to processor.
- 5. Roll into balls
- 6. Melt additional coconut oil. Coat the ball with oil then roll in shredded coconut.
- 7. Store in a cool place, such as the refrigerator.

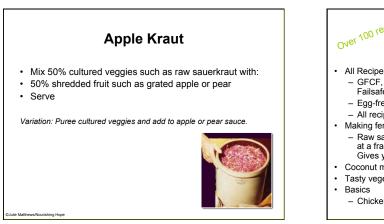
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#### **Date Ball Variations**

- ✓ Use coconut butter instead of nut butter (not coconut oil). Sometimes called coconut spread. Found online: wildernessfamilynaturals.com
- ✓ Use sunflower seed butter instead of nut butter if allergic to nuts (if seeds are allowed)
- ✓ Add chopped fruit
- ✓ Add sultans
- Add chopped nuts
- ✓ Roll in sesame seeds
- ✓ Add GF chocolate chips for a treat
- ✓ Coat in cocoa powder

 Kid-Friendly Fermented Foods
 Fruit kebabs with (dairy-free) yogurt dipping sauce
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- Chicken stock, chicken nuggets, juicing recipes





