The low-FODMAP diet can lead to improvements in the majority of people with irritable bowel syndrome. It also reduces symptoms in various other digestive disorders.

FODMAP stands for "Fermentable Oligo, Di, Mono-saccharides and Polyols." These are small carbohydrates that many people can not digest.

Suitable foods on a low-FODMAP diet

Fruit

Banana, blueberry, grapefruit, melons (except watermelon), lemon, lime, oranges, strawberry, raspberry, kiwi, rhubarb

Vegetables

Alfalfa, bean shoots, bell peppers, bok choy, carrots, celery, corn, eggplant, green beans, lettuce, olives, parsnips, green onions, spinach, sweet potato, squash, white potato, tomato, yam

Grains

Oats, glutenfree products, spelt products

Other

Meats, eggs, good fats



Lactose Alternatives

Butter, hard cheese, brie, camembert, lactose-free products, gelato, nut milks, sorbet

Sweeteners*

maple syrup, molasses, sugar (sucrose), sweeteners that do not end in 'ol'

*small quantities



FODMAP foods to avoid or limit

Fruit

Apple, apricots, cherries, mango, pear, peaches, nectarines, plum, prune, watermelon, canned fruit, dried fruit, fruit iuice

Vegetables

Artichokes, asparagus, avocado, beets, broccoli, brussels, cabbage, cauliflower, garlic, leeks, mushrooms, onions, peas, lettuce, shallots,



Grains

Wheat, rye, gluten containing bread, crackers, cous cous, pasta

Legumes

Baked beans, chickpeas, lentils, kidney beans, soy beans

Lactose Containing foods

Custard, ice cream, margarine, milk (cow, goat, sheep), soft cheeses, yoghurt



Sweeteners*

Honey, fructose, high fructose corn syrup, mannitol, sorbitol, maltitol, xylitol

I believe that food can be medicine and what we choose to put in our bodies is one of the few things we can control today. I would love to assist you with your health journey. Email me at michelle@healthybeet.ca to book an appointment. Be sure to visit www.healthybeet.ca to learn more about my personal health transformation and follow me on Facebook @heatlhybeet.ca to receive daily health tips, recipes and more.



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