Eye Health

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Sweet Potatoes



Sweet Potato Math

One pound raw fresh sweet potatoes = 3 cups shredded, cubed or sliced = 1 3/4 cups cooked, mashed.

Weekly Challenge:

Try a recipe using sweet potatoes! Check out www.foodhero.org/sweetpotato

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Eye Health Food:

Sweet Potatoes

Sweet Potatoes

have the ability to slow the progress of macular degeneration. Macular degeneration is when a part of the eye deteriorates, leaving people with loss of vision.

<u>Weekly Challenge:</u> Try roasting sweet potatoes drizzled with olive oil. Bake at 400 for 10-20 min. depending on size.



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Sweet potatoes can also help prevent dry eyes, night blindness, and reduce the risk of eye infections.

Try a Microwaved Sweet Potato: Prick the skin of whole sweet potatoes several times. Microwave on high until tender, 5 to 8 minutes for whole sweet potatoes depending on size.

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Eye Health Food:



Salmon

Salmon is a good source of vitamin D, which helps protect against macular degeneration. The macula is a part at the center of the retina that is light sensitive. Risk for impairments increases after age 50. Researchers now believe trans fats have a negative effect on the eye's blood vessels.

Weekly Challenge:

Try a recipe using salmon at least twice this week! Pictured is baked salmon with a side salad.



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Eye Health Food:

Salmon



Research shows they reduce inflammation in the retina. Omega 3's also help keep the heart healthy.

Weekly Challenge: Try a recipe using salmon at least twice this week! Pictured is grilled salmon with vegetables.



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Eye Health Food:



Salmon

Weekly Challenge:

Try a salmon recipe at

least twice this week!

Pictured is raw salm-

on on crackers with

cream cheese.

Eating salmon may help with symptoms of depression and improve cognitive function of patients with mild Alzheimer's disease.

Fish such as salmon helps improve fine motor speed, verbal knowledge, and verbal fluency.



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Eating For Eye Health:

Spinach

Spinach also contains vitamins C and E. These nutrients both work as antioxidants and help prevent cataracts. Check out recipes at www.foodhero.org/spinach

Why are Spinach Leaves Never Lonely? **Because they** come in bunches.



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Eating For Eye Health:

Spinach

Spinach is a great source of vitamin A; this vitamin helps prevent dry eyes and can improve night vision.

It also contains beta carotene which slows macular degeneration.

Weekly Challenge: Buy 8 oz prepackaged spinach and incorporate it throughout the week!



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Eating For Eye Health:

Spinach

There are many ways to add spinach to your diet. It's great in smoothies, as a salad base, add-in to soups and pasta sauce, or add some fresh spinach and feta cheese to scrambled eggs near the

end of cooking for a tasty treat.

Weekly Challenge: Try and eat spinach at least twice this week.



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Eating for Eye Health Did you know...

Spinach and Kale contain antioxidants that protect against eye damage from things like sunlight, cigarette smoke, and air pollution.

These leafy greens are loaded with two of the best antioxidants for eyes, lutein and zeaxanthin.

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Foods to Eat for Eye Health

- Green leafy vegetables like spinach, kale, and collards
- Salmon, tuna, and other oily fish
- Eggs, nuts, beans, and other non-meat protein sources
- Oranges and other citrus fruits



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Eating for Eye Health

Did you know...

Healthy eyes come from the food on your plate. Nutrients like omega-3 fatty acids, lutein, zinc, and vitamins C and E might help ward off agerelated vision problems like macular degeneration and cataracts. To include them in your diet, fill your plate with food rich in these nutrients.

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