Protein

Prioritize fresh, lean, minimally processed sources of protein, and consider limiting red meat to $^{\sim}18$ oz (or 4 palms) per week or less.

EAT MORE



Eggs and

egg whites





Shellfish



Duck breast and thighs



Turkey



Lean beef

Chicken





Bison

Lean pork







Wild game goat, camel, horse kangaroo, crocodile

Plain Greek yogurt





Tofu



Edamame

Tempeh



Cultured cottage cheese





Lentils and beans

These only count as your protein source if a more protein-rich option (such as above) is not in the meal. Otherwise, they count as a carbohydrate source (as they contain more carbohydrates than protein).

EAT SOME





Uncultured cottage cheese

Medium-lean

meats





Canadian bacon







Minimally processed lean deli meat



Poultry

sausage





Protein powders



Seitan



Tempeh bacon



Textured vegetable protein





burgers

Traditional veggie burgers

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EAT LESS





Fried meats

Chicken fingers, nuggets, and wings





High-fat meat

High-fat sausages





Processed deli meats

Protein bars



Pepperoni



High-mercury

sticks





Burgers, sausage, hot dogs, tofurky, etc.

This includes items such as Impossible, Beyond, Gardein, Boca, etc. Most of these are made from a highly-processed plant protein, along with added oils, salts, sugars, flavors and colors.



Vegetables

When eating vegetables (and fruits), try to "eat the rainbow." Different colors imply different nutrients and health benefits.



