# SUSTAINABLE FAT LOSS JOURNEY

EXCLUSIVE SAMPLE VEGETARIAN MEAL PLAN (APPROX. 1500-1800 CALORIES)



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## **DIET PLAN**

# BREAKFAST (APPROX. 350 CALORIES)

- Scrambled Tofu: 1 cup crumbled firm tofu, sautéed with spinach (1 cup) and turmeric.
- Whole-grain toast: 2 slices.
- Nutritional Information: Protein: 20g, Carbs: 30g, Fats: 15g.

# MID-MORNING SNACK (APPROX. 150 CALORIES)

- Greek yogurt (plain, non-fat): 1 cup.
- Almonds: 1/4 cup.
- Nutritional Information: Protein: 15g, Carbs: 10g, Fats: 8g.

## **DIET PLAN**

# LUNCH (APPROX. 450 CALORIES)

- Lentil Salad: 1.5 cups cooked lentils, mixed with roasted vegetables (1 cup, bell peppers, zucchini), and quinoa (1/2 cup cooked).
- Dressing: 1 tablespoon olive oil, lemon juice.
- Nutritional Information: Protein: 25g, Carbs: 50g, Fats: 18g.

# AFTERNOON SNACK (APPROX. 150 CALORIES)

- Apple: 1 medium.
- Walnuts: 1/4 cup.
- Nutritional Information: Protein: 5g, Carbs: 25g, Fats: 8g.

## **DIET PLAN**

## DINNER (APPROX. 400 CALORIES)

- Paneer and Broccoli Stir-fry: 1 cup paneer cubes, stir-fried with 2 cups steamed broccoli, and a light soy sauce and ginger sauce.
- Brown rice: 1/2 cup cooked.
- Nutritional Information: Protein: 22g, Carbs: 35g, Fats: 18g.

### MEAL SUBSTITUTIONS

#### Tofu -

- Tempeh: Provides a firmer texture and nutty flavor.
- Chickpea scramble: A good alternative for those avoiding soy.

#### Greek yogurt -

- Plant-based yogurt (soy, almond, coconut):
  Ensure it's unsweetened and fortified with calcium.
- Cottage cheese: if dairy is acceptable.

#### Lentils -

- Chickpeas: Offer a similar protein and fiber profile.
- Black beans: Another excellent legume option.

#### Paneer-

- Extra-firm tofu: For a vegan option.
- Halloumi cheese: if other cheeses are acceptable.

#### Nuts -

 Seeds: Pumpkin seeds, sunflower seeds, or chia seeds.

## SIMPLE RECIPE

## SCRAMBLED TOFU



- Ingredients: 1 cup firm tofu (crumbled), 1 cup spinach, 1/2 teaspoon turmeric, salt, pepper, 1 tablespoon olive oil.
- Instructions: Sauté tofu in olive oil, add spinach and spices, cook until spinach is wilted.

### SIMPLE RECIPE

### LENTIL SALAD



- Ingredients: 1.5 cups cooked lentils, 1 cup mixed roasted vegetables (bell peppers, zucchini, onions etc.), 1/2 cup cooked quinoa, 1 tablespoon olive oil, lemon juice, herbs (parsley, cilantro).
- Instructions: Roast vegetables until tender.
  Combine all ingredients in a bowl, dress with olive oil and lemon juice.

# IMPORTANT CONSIDERATIONS

- · **Hydration:** Drink plenty of water throughout the day.
- · **Variety:** Rotate your vegetables and protein sources to ensure you get a wide range of nutrients.
- · **Portion Control:** Pay attention to portion sizes to maintain your calorie goals.
- · Individual Needs: This is a general meal plan. Consult with a registered dietitian for personalized advice, especially if you have any health conditions or dietary restrictions.
- · **Vitamin B12:** Vegetarians should ensure they are getting sufficient Vitamin B12, through fortified foods, or supplements.
- I hope this detailed meal plan and substitutions are helpful!

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