

Food Journal

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It is important to keep an accurate record of your usual food + beverage intake as a part of your action plan.

- Please complete this Diet Diary for 3 consecutive days including one weekend day.

- Do not change your eating behavior at this time, as the purpose of this food record is to analyze your present eating habits.
- Record information as soon as possible after the food has been consumed

Describe the food /beverage as accurately as possible. Ex: *Milk*, what kind? (whole, nonfat, 2%, coconut, oat); *Toast* (whole wheat, white, Ezekiel bread, butter, jam, avocado); *Chicken* (fried, baked, breaded); *Coffee* (decaffeinated with sugar and ½ & ½)

Record the **amount** of food or beverage consumed (Ex: 8 ounces of orange juice, ½ cup of white rice, 1 teaspoon of coconut sugar, etc)

Include any **added** items. Ex: 1 tsp honey, sweet potato with 2 tsp butter, toast with ½ avocado

Record all *beverages*, including water, coffee, tea, sports drinks, sodas/diet sodas, juice, etc - Include any additional comments about your eating habits on this form (Ex: craving sweet, skipped a meal and why, ordered take out, ate at a friends/resturaunt, etc)

- Please note all bowel movements and their consistency (regular, loose, firm, etc.)

BOWEL HABITS 2

Bowel movements are essential.

Keep a record of when you have them □ Consistency

- 🛛 Loose
- 🛛 Firm
- 🛛 Regular
- Pebbles
- □ Watery (diarrhea)

Did you evacuate completely?

- □ Increased Urgency?
- Constipation

How many days in between BM?

- 🛛 Odor
 - 🛛 Foul (Mild, Moderate, Severe)
- □ Undigested food?
- 🛛 Fats

Day 1

TIME FOOD/BEVERAGE AMOUNT C

COMMENTS

BRISTOL STOOL SCALE

1	••••	SEPARATE HARD LUMPS	SEVERE CONSTIPATION
2		LUMP & SAUSAGE LIKE	MILD CONSTIPATION
3		SAUSAGE SHAPE WITH CRACKS	IDEAL
4		SMOOTH, SOFT SAUSAGE	IDEAL
5	10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 1	SOFT BLOBS WITH CLEAR EDGES	LACKING FIBER
6		MUSHY CONSISTENCY	MILD DIARRHEA
7		LIQUID CONSISTENCY	SEVERE DIARRHEA

Bowel Movements

NUMBER	COLOR	COMMENTS

Day 2

TIME FOOD/BEVERAGE AMOUNT COMMENTS

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Day 3

TIME

FOOD/BEVERAGE AMOUNT

COMMENTS

