

# Southern Tier SNAP-Ed Adult Newsletter SPRING 2021

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## GO FOR GRAINS!!

## Whole Grains are loaded with Fiber! What does Fiber do?



Lowers your cholesterol

Helps you feel "full" after a meal





Supports healthy digestionkeeps things moving!

Helps to control blood sugar levels





Whole grains contain iron, zinc, magnesium and B vitamins

Nutrition Fa 4 servings per container Serving size 1 1/2 cup	
Amount per serving Calories	240
% D	aily Value*
Total Fat 4g	5%
Saturated Fat 1.5g	8%
Trans Fat 0g	
Cholesterol 5mg	2%
Sodium 430mg	19%
Total Carbohydrate 46g	17%
Dietary Fiber 7g	25%
Total Sugars 4g	
Includes 2g Added Sugars	4%
Protein 11g	
Vitamin D 2mcg	10%
Calcium 260mg	20%
Iron 6mg	35%
Potassium 240mg	6%

## How much Fiber do we need each day?

Adults up to age 50

25 grams for women 38 grams for men

Adults older than 50

21 grams for women 30 grams for men



Be a Whole Grain Detective



- Multigrain, Stone-ground,
   100% Wheat, Cracked
   wheat, or Bran may not be a whole grain.
- Brown grain products are not always whole grain. Molasses or coloring may be added.
- Whole grains listed after the first ingredient may only be as little as 1% or as much as 49% whole grain.

# Bran Germ

Whole-grain foods contain the entire grain kernel.
'Refined grains' have been stripped of the bran, germ, fiber and many other nutrients

To choose a whole grain instead of a 'refined' grain, the **first ingredient** should always be one of these:

whole wheat, whole corn whole oats, oatmeal, whole rye-

**brown** rice, **wild** rice, bulgur and popcorn

#### Storing Whole Grains



**Bread**- Store at room temp in a sealed bag. Don't store in refrigerator, it will dry out. Freeze in a freezer bag for up to 6 months.



**Whole Wheat Flour**- Will keep for 1 to 3 months on a shelf.

To keep longer, store in the refrigerator or in the freezer for 2 to 6 months.



**Whole Wheat Pasta**- Dried whole grain pasta will keep for up to 6 months on a shelf or in a pantry.



**Brown Rice**- <u>Dry Rice</u>: Store in a sealed container in the cupboard for up to 6 months. Refrigerate up to 12 months or freeze for up to 2 years.

Cooked Rice: In a container refrigerated for 3-5 days. Freeze for up to 6 months.

BUILD YOUR OWN GRAIN BOWN Choose 1 Whole Grain Power it up with 1-2 Protein choices Whole Wheat Couscous Add 3 -5 Whole Wheat Vegetables Pasta Fresh, Frozen, Brown Rice Quinoa or Canned Savor with flavor! Dress it up ! OTHER GRAINS TO TRY

### Facts Cooking Time

Barley-LG	Look for whole, hulled, or semi-pearled. Great in soups and stews.	45-60 minutes
Bulgur-HG	Quick cooking and high fiber. Used in kibbeh or tabbouleh or as a rice substitute.	10-12 minutes
Farro-LG	Choose whole or "semi-pearled, great in soups, stews, or grain bowls.	25-40 minutes
Quinoa-GF	Complete protein and high fiber, great in any recipe to replace rice.	12-15 minutes
Wild Rice-GF	More protein and fiber than brown rice, use in any rice dish!	45-55 minutes

\*\*\*LG- Low Gluten; GF- Gluten Free; HG- High Gluten

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