## GOOD MOOD FOOD SWAPS

#### SUFFOLK HOW ARE YOU?

### MENU

- Snacks
- Alcoholic Beverage
  Caffeinated
- Beverage
- Breakfast
- Lunch
- Dinner

Swap this 🛑	For this	Food source	How these foods effect your mood
<b>Chocolate bar</b> Galaxy, 229kcal (42g) Cadbury Dairy Milk, 240kcal (45g)	6 Brazil nuts (30g) 200kcal, 0.7g sugar	Brazil nuts; offal; fish (particularly tuna, cod, salmon, prawns); egg; chicken; beef; wholemeal bread; seeds	Replace a sugary snack with 30g Brazil nuts which provides an adult with their daily requirements for selenium. Selenium deficiency may increase the incidence of feeling depressed and other negative mood states.
	Piece of fruit e.g. 1 orange or 1 banana or 1 apple or 2 satsumas 60kcal or less	Wholegrains, e.g. wholegrain cereals, wholegrain bread, wholegrain pasta, oats, vegetables, fruits, peas, beans, pulses, nuts, seeds, potatoes with skin	Sugar increases blood glucose levels but then when they drop down, you may crave another sugar hit to raise the blood glucose levels again. Fruit contains fibre which slows absorption of sugar, therefore stabilising blood glucose levels. Fibre increases serotonin, which is a messenger chemical in the brain, which improves mood and how we feel.

#### **ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE**

**SNACKS** 

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Glass of wine (175ml) 131kcal	Low alcohol wine (125ml) <sup>36kcal</sup>	Alcoholic beverages	Alcohol is a depressant. Reduce alcohol to stay within the UK recommended guidelines.
Pint of beer 187kcal Alcopop (330ml) 172kcal	<b>0.5% beer (500ml)</b> 115kcal		You can get tips, tools and advice on reducing alcohol, click on One You Drink Less Get medical advice before you stop drinking if you have physical withdrawal symptoms (like shaking, sweating or feeling anxious until you have your first drink of the day). It can be dangerous to stop drinking too quickly without proper support.

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### **CAFFEINATED BEVERAGE**

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Can of coke (330ml) 139kcal, 32mg caffeine Can of energy (237kcal, 160mg) caffeine Red Bull (250ml) 115kcal, 80mg caffeine Diack tea, 2kcal, 63mg caffeine Black tea, 2kcal, 63mg caffeine Black instant coffee, 4kcal, 79mg caffeine	Water         Water, Okcal, O sugar         Water, Okcal, O sugar         Support         Support	Beverages	Caffeine acts as a stimulant which can improve feelings of alertness and reduce feeling fatigued, but after a quick burst of energy, it can make you feel anxious and depressed, particularly in people who are not used to it.

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### BREAKFAST

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<b>30g sugar-</b> <b>frosted corn</b> <b>flakes</b> J05kcal, 11.5g sugar	30g wholegrain 100kcal, 6g sugar	Whole grains, e.g. wholegrain cereals, wholegrain bread, brown rice, wholegrain pasta, fortified breakfast cereals	Sugar increases blood glucose levels but then when they drop down, you may crave another sugar hit to raise the blood glucose levels again. Wholegrain cereals contain thiamine (vitamin B1) which is a co-enzyme helping release energy from carbohydrates. Absorption is inhibited by coffee, black tea and alcohol. Deficiency of thiamine can result in tiredness, feeling depressed, irritability. Wholegrains are also a good source of fibre which slows absorption of sugar, therefore stabilising blood glucose levels. Thiamin (Vitamin B1) increases serotonin which is a messenger chemical in the brain, which improves mood and how we fee.
	40g bowl of porridge oats made with water 152kcal, 0.1g sugar	Wholegrains, e.g. wholegrain cereals, wholegrain bread, wholegrain pasta, oats, vegetables, fruits, peas, beans, pulses, nuts, seeds, potatoes with skin	Sugar increases blood glucose levels but then when they drop down, you may crave another sugar hit to raise the blood glucose levels again. The porridge oats are a good source of fibre which slows absorption of sugar, therefore stabilising blood glucose levels. Increases serotonin, which is a messenger chemical in the brain, which improves mood and how we feel.

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Slice of white bread with a teaspoon of marmalade. Bread, 96kcal & 1.0g sugar Marmalade, 16kcal & 4g sugar = 112kcal & 5.0g sugar total	Boiled egg with a medium slice of wholegrain bread Egg, 66kcal + bread 93kcal & 1.2g sugar = 159kcal, 1.2g sugar total	Meats (liver, chicken, pork, beef, lamb); fish (particularly anchovies, tuna, salmon, mackerel); wheat and maize flour; eggs; dairy products	Conserves such as marmalade contains sugar. Sugar increases blood glucose levels but then when they drop down, you may crave another sugar hit to raise the blood glucose levels again. Eggs contain niacin (Vitamin B3) which is required for the release of energy from food. It can be synthesised from tryptophan. Deficiency can result in tiredness, feeling depressed, irritability. Wholegrain bread contains fibre which slows absorption of sugar, therefore stabilising blood glucose levels. Fibre increases serotonin, which is a messenger chemical in the brain, which improves mood and how we feel.
	Slice of wholegrain bread and an 8g portion of Marmite Bread, 193kcal & 1.2 sugar + Marmite, 21kcal & <0.5g sugar = 114kcal & 1.2g sugar total	Liver; green vegetables; oranges; citrus fruits; beans; fortified foods e.g. yeast extra; fortified breakfast cereals	Conserves such as marmalade contains sugar. Sugar increases blood glucose levels but then when they drop down, you may crave another sugar hit to raise the blood glucose levels again. Yeast extracts, e.g. Marmite contain folate (Vitamin B9) which helps the body form red blood cells, is required for normal cell division, the normal structure of the nervous system, and maintenance of normal blood homocysteine levels (with B6 and B12). Deficiency of folate is often accompanied by insomnia, depression, forgetfulness and irritability.

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## LUNCH

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Battered fish and chips from chip shop Approx 840kcal	Medium baked jacket potato with skin with 56g tuna in spring water Potato, 245kcal & tuna, 61kcal = 306kcal total	Meats (liver, chicken, pork, beef, lamb); fish (particularly anchovies, tuna, salmon, mackerel); wheat and maize flour; eggs; dairy products	Jacket potatoes are a good source of fibre which slows absorption of sugar, stabilising blood glucose levels. Increases serotonin, a messenger chemical in the brain, which improves mood and how we feel. Tuna contains niacin (Vitamin B3) which is required for the release of energy from food. It can be synthesised from tryptophan. Deficiency can result in tiredness, feeling depressed, irritability.
1/2 thin & crispy pepperoni pizza and 100g oven chips Pizza, 401kcal + chips, 162kcal =	Grilled 130g chicken breast without skin with 30g baby leaf salad Chicken, 192kcal + salad, 6kcal = 198kcal	Lean meats, e.g. chicken, turkey; fish; eggs; cheese; legumes; soya products; nuts; seeds; tofu	Lean meats like chicken and turkey are great sources of protein (tryptophan amino acid). Serotonin is a messenger chemical in the brain which improves mood and how we feel. Eating foods that contains the essential amino acid tryptophan can help the body produce more serotonin.
563kcal			Spinach in the baby leaf salad is a source of folate and fibre. Folate helps the body form red blood cells, is required for normal cell division, the normal structure of the nervous system, and maintenance of normal blood homocysteine levels (with B6 and B12).
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### DINNER

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Takeaway sweet and sour chicken (1/2 plastic carton) and small carton of egg fried rice Sweet & sour chicken, 508kcal + rice 679kcal = 1187kcal	Salmon fillet (pan-fried), 100g boiled brown rice, 80g serving of boiled frozen mixed vegetables Salmon, 214kcal + rice 111kcal + veg, 34kcal = 359kcal total	Meats (liver, chicken, pork, beef, lamb); fish (particularly anchovies, tuna, salmon, mackerel); wheat and maize flour; eggs; dairy products	Salmon contains niacin (Vitamin B3) which is required for the release of energy from food. It can be synthesised from tryptophan. Deficiency can result in tiredness, feeling depressed, irritability. Brown rice is a source of thiamine which is a co-enzyme helping release energy from carbohydrates. Absorption is inhibited by coffee, black tea and alcohol. Deficiency of thiamine can result in tiredness, feeling depressed, irritability. Vegetables contain fibre which slows absorption of sugar, therefore stabilising blood glucose levels. Increases serotonin, which is a messenger chemical in the brain, which improves mood and how we feel.
	100g fried chicken liver, 60g French beans boiled and 100g boiled new potatoes with skin-on Liver, 169kcal + beans, 15kcal + potatoes, 74kcal = 258kcal total	Lean meats, e.g. chicken, turkey; fish; eggs; cheese; legumes; soya products; nuts; seeds; tofu	Liver and French beans contain folate (Vitamin B9) which helps the body form red blood cells, is required for normal cell division, the normal structure of the nervous system, and maintenance of normal blood homocysteine levels (with B6 and B12). Deficiency often accompanied by insomnia, depression, forgetfulness and irritability. New potatoes with the skin-on are a source of fibre which slows absorption of sugar, therefore stabilising blood glucose levels. Fibre increases serotonin which is a messenger chemical in the brain, which improves mood and how we feel.

#### **HELPFUL TOOLS**



#### Easy Meal App

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#### **Drink Free Days App**

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