7-Day Healthy Meal Plan

This healthy 1,500-calorie 7-day diabetes meal plan is nutritionally balanced and delicious. It features diabetes-friendly foods like low glycemic index carbohydrates, lean protein, and healthy fats like canola oil.

The carbohydrates are balanced throughout each day with each meal containing 30-45 grams of net carbohydrates and snacks containing around 15 grams of carbohydrates. Depending on your goals and lifestyle, your calories and carbohydrates may need to be higher, adjust the number of snacks or portion sizes accordingly.



Recipes available on the Diabetes Canada website are hyperlinked throughout the meal plan and listed at the end of the meal plan.

	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6	Day 7
Breakfast	1 Apricot Oat Muffin 1 cup (250 mL) low-fat milk	1-egg omelette with vegetables (spinach, mushrooms, or other vegetable of your choice) 2 slices whole- grain toast 2 tsp (10 mL) soft margarine ½ cup (125 mL) low-fat milk	Steel-cut rolled oats (1/3 cup/75 mL dry) 1 tbsp (15 mL) peanut butter added to oats after cooked 1/2 cup (125 mL) low-fat milk	2 slices wholegrain or rye toast 1 egg, poached or sunnyside up (cooked to your liking) Quarter small avocado, mashed Salt and pepper to taste	Steel-cut rolled oats (½ cup/75 mL dry) 1 tbsp (15 mL) peanut butter added to oats after cooked ½ cup (125 mL) low-fat milk	1 egg omelet with vegetables (spinach, mushrooms, or other vegetable of your choice) 2 slices wholegrain toast 2 tsp (10 mL) soft margarine ½ cup (125 mL) low-fat milk	Steel-cut rolled oats (½ cup/75 mL dry) 1 tbsp (15 mL) peanut butter added to oats after cooked ½ cup (125 mL) low- fat milk

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Calories Carbs (g) Fibre (g)	282 37 2 2 cups (500 mL) Red Lentil Soup Green salad 1 tbsp (15 mL) light salad dressing	366 36 4 1 serving Farm-Fresh Tofu Frittata 34 cup (175 mL) leftover roasted sweet potatoes	324 37 5 3 oz. (85 g) roast chicken 2 slices wholegrain bread 2 tsp (10 mL) mayonnaise Mustard, lettuce, tomato if desired 1 fruit (e.g. medium-sized apple or small banana)	293 33 5 1 serving Mexican Baked Eggs on Black Beans 1 slice whole- grain bread 2 tsp (10 mL) soft margarine ½ cup (125 mL) low-fat yogurt	324 37 5 3 oz. (85 g) tuna packed in water, drained 1 whole-wheat pita (6 inch/15 cm) 2 tsp (10 mL) mayonnaise Lettuce, tomato, or other vegetable if desired 1 fruit (e.g. medium-sized apple or small banana)	366 36 4 1 serving Garden Veggie Buddha Bowl with Lentils and Tahini Sauce 1 fruit (e.g. medium-sized apple or small banana)	324 37 5 Green salad (lettuce, cucumber, tomato) with 3 oz. (85 g) grilled chicken breast and ¼ cup (60 mL) croutons 1 tbsp (15 mL) light salad dressing ½ cup (125 mL) lowfat yogurt 1 fruit (e.g. medium-sized apple or small banana)
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Dinner

Dinner	1 serving Skillet Chicken Breasts with Tomatoes and Olives (1 chicken breast with ½ cup/125 mL tomato sauce) ¾ cup (175 mL) roasted sweet potatoes (make extra for tomorrow's lunch)	1 serving Roasted Cauliflower Salad (1 cup/250 mL) 3-4 oz. (85-115 g) grilled or baked pork loin chop 1 cup (250 mL) mashed potato	1 serving White Fish with Roast Garlic & Lentil Mash (1 fillet and ½ cup/125 mL lentils) Green salad 1 tbsp (15 mL) light salad dressing ¾ cup (175 mL) cooked couscous	1 cup (250 mL) cooked pasta (e.g. spaghetti, spirals, macaroni) ½ cup (125 mL) favourite pasta sauce 3-4 oz. (85-115 g) grilled or baked chicken	1 serving Oven-Roasted Salmon with Sriracha and Lime 34 cup (175 mL) mashed sweet potato Broccoli, steamed or roasted	1 cup (250 mL) Spinach & Mushroom Barley Pilaf 3-4 oz. (85-115 g) grilled or baked chicken	1 serving <u>Chicken</u> and <u>White Bean</u> Stew (1¼ cups/300 mL) 2 oz. (55 g) wholegrain bread or roll
Calories	610	625	725	405	547	440	450
Carbs (g)	58	52	55	51	53	48	52
Fibre (g)	10	7	13	4	8	8	10

Snack Options: Each of the following options provides approximately 15 g carbohydrate and 100-150 calories. **Include 1 of these snacks per day.**

- 1 medium-sized fruit (apple or orange)
- 1 cup (250 mL) melon or berries
- ½ cup (125 mL) low-fat yogurt with ½ cup (125 mL) berries
- 3 cups (750 mL) popped popcorn
- 1 slice bread with peanut butter
- 5-6 crackers with 2 tbsp (30 mL) hummus

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Recipes for this week:

- Apricot Oat Muffin
- Red Lentil Soup
- Farm-Fresh Tofu Frittata
- Mexican Baked Eggs on Black Beans
- Garden Veggie Buddha Bowl with Lentils and Tahini Sauce
- Skillet Chicken Breasts with Tomatoes and Olives
- Roasted Cauliflower Salad
- White Fish with Roast Garlic & Lentil Mash
- Oven-Roasted Salmon with Sriracha and Lime
- Spinach & Mushroom Barley Pilaf
- Chicken and White Bean Stew

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