7-Day South Asian Meal Plan

These delicious and healthy meals represent dishes from various South Asian kitchens. The carbohydrates are balanced throughout each day, with each meal containing 40-60 grams of net carbohydrates. Snack options contain around 15 grams of carbohydrate each. 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 are hyperlinked throughout the meal plan and are also listed at the end.

	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6	Day 7
Breakfast	2 slices whole-wheat bread Grandma's Indian-Style Omelette 1 cup (250 mL) plain 2% yogurt	2 small idlis (2 inch/5 cm) 1 cup (250 mL) sambhar 1 cup (250 mL) papaya Filter coffee with ½ cup (125 mL) milk and Splenda	1 cup (250 mL) oatmeal 2 tbsp (30 mL) chopped walnuts or almonds 1 cup (250 mL) skim milk 1 cup (250 mL) blueberries	2 whole-wheat rotis (6 inch/15 cm) Methi Anda Bhurji 1 medium-sized orange 1 cup (250 mL) 2% milk	1½ cups (375 mL) upma with nuts, and carrots and peas 1 small peach Chai with ½ cup (125 mL) milk and Splenda	2 chickpea- flour savoury pancakes (6 inch/15 cm) with veggies 1 cup (250 mL) Greek yogurt and ½ cup (125 mL) mixed berries Tea/Coffee	Bombay Egg Breakfast Sandwich 1 cup (250 mL) cantaloupe Tea/Coffee
Calories Carbs (g) Fibre (g) Net carb (g)	498 52 6 46	305 56 10 46	524 62 11 51	491 63 8 55	385 43 6 37	648 64 18 46	457 43 2 41

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Lunch	1 cup (250 mL) khichdi Tossed salad with lettuce, cucumbers, tomatoes and radishes ½ cup (125 mL) plain 2% yogurt 1 cup (250 mL) blueberries	1 cup (250 mL) Home-Style Chicken Curry ½ cup (125 ml) okra sabji 2 whole wheat rotis (6 inch/15 cm) 1 cup (250 mL) 2% raita	2 whole-wheat rotis (6 inch/15 cm) 1 cup (250 mL) Zucchini Curry ½ cup (125 mL) plain 2% yogurt 1 clementine	1 cup (250 mL) brown basmati rice 1 cup (250 mL) saag with tofu Tomato, cucumber and radish salad	1 Egg Kati Roll 2 cups (500 mL) tomato, cucumber and lettuce salad 1 small guava	2 whole-wheat chapatis (6 inch/15 cm) 1 cup (250 mL) gobi sabzi (cauliflower and vegetables, no potato) 1 cup (250 mL) dhal 1 cup (250 mL) green salad	1½ cups (375 mL) vegetable pulao 1 cup (250 mL) palak with tofu 1 cup (250 mL) chaas
Calories	326	561	451	355	555	340	545
Carbs (g)	61	55	64	56	61	56	65
Fibre (g)	7	5	8	8	8	12	13
Net carb (g)	54	50	56	48	53	44	52

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Dinner	2 whole-wheat rotis (6 inch/15 cm) 1 cup Chana Masala 1 cup (250 mL) eggplant curry	1 cup (250 mL) Chicken Biryani ½ cup (125 mL) raita Salad with lettuce, red onion, tomato, and cucumbers	1 cup (250 mL) brown basmati rice ½ cup (125 mL) dhal Masala Egg Kachumber Salad	2 whole-wheat rotis (6 inch/15 cm) 1 cup Indian Spiced Potatoes and Cauliflower ½ cup (125 mL) plain 2% yogurt	½ cup (250 mL) parboiled rice 1 cup (250 mL) rajma 1 cup (250 mL) cooked eggplant Half mango	1½ cups (375 mL) khichdi with lentils and vegetables 1 cup (250 mL) tomato rasam 1 cup (250 mL) spinach raita	2 whole-wheat rotis (6 inch/15 cm) Kerala Coconut Egg Curry Green salad with berries
Calories	383	440	497	339	409	497	538
Carbs (g)	53	47	70	58	75	56	51
Fibre (g)	9	4	9	5	12	7	2
Net carb (g)	44	43	61	53	63	49	49

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

- 1 serving (3 small 2-inch squares) khaman dhokla (made from black gram flour, yogurts, and fat, then steamed and topped with a mixture of oil and spices for a steamed cake.)
- 1 cup (250 mL) sprouted moon salad (with onion, tomato, lemon and chaat masala)
- Sattu drink
- ½ cup (125 mL) roasted chickpeas
- 1 cup (250 mL) moong beans sprout
- ¼ cup (60 mL) soy nuts with 1 clementine
- 1 medium-sized fruit
- ½ cup (125 mL) plain yogurt with seasonal fruits
- 5 whole-grain crackers with unsalted nuts
- 1 slice whole-grain bread with cheese or nut butter

Recipes for this week:

- Grandma's Indian-Style Omelette
- Methi Anda Bhurji
- Bombay Egg Breakfast Sandwich
- Home-Style Chicken Curry
- Zucchini Curry
- Egg Kati Roll
- Chana Masala
- Chicken Biryani
- Masala Egg Kachumber Salad
- Indian Spiced Potatoes and Cauliflower
- Kerala Coconut Egg Curry