

# How to Build an Anti-Inflammatory Power Salad

## 1) Start with a Leafy Green Base

- Arugula
- Lettuce, Mixed greens
- Spinach

## 2) Top with at least 2 other vegetables/ fruits

- Asparagus, beets, broccoli, cabbage, carrots, cauliflower, celery, cucumber, mushrooms, onions, peppers, radish, snap peas, tomatoes
- Apple slices, blackberries, blueberries, figs, grapes, mango, pear, strawberries

## 3) Add Whole grain

- Brown Rice
- Wild Rice
- Quinoa

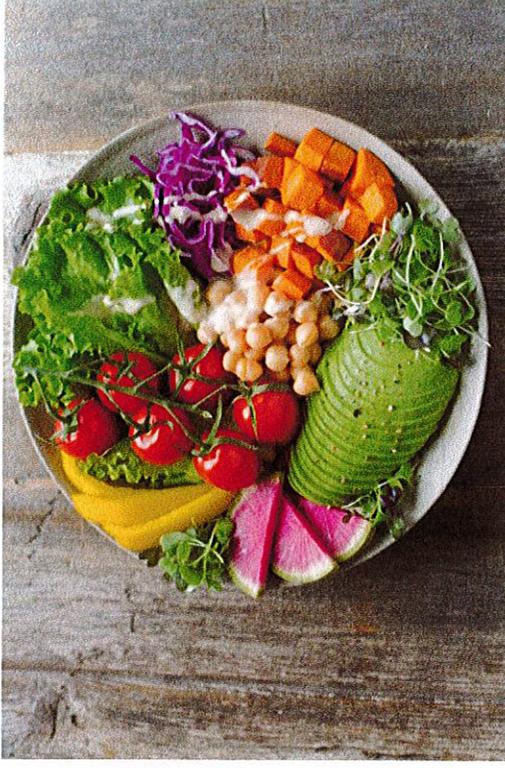
## 4) Add Protein

- Salmon\*, tuna\*, chicken, egg
- Tofu, chickpeas, black beans
- Cheese, yogurt

## 5) Healthy Fats

- Olive oil, vinegar, herbs
- Avocado
- Nuts, seeds (walnuts\*, flaxseed\*, chia seed\*)

\* = Good source of Omega-3 Fatty Acid



# Food and Eating Strategies to Improve Mental Health

## 1) Anti-inflammatory Diet:

- Limit Sugar
  - ~Added sugar
  - ~Sugar beverages
- Include Omega-3 Fatty Acids
  - ~Salmon, tuna, sardines
  - ~Walnuts, Flaxseed
- Include Probiotics and Phytochemicals
  - ~Vegetables, Fruits
  - ~Beans
  - ~Nuts, Seeds



## 2) Mindful Eating:

- Paying attention, on purpose, moment by moment, without judgment
- BASICS
  - Breathe and belly check
  - Assess your food
  - Slow down
  - Investigate hunger throughout
  - Chew thoroughly
  - Savor your food
- Use all 5 Senses to Savor
  - Sight
  - Sound
  - Smell
  - Touch
  - Taste

## Resources:

Food and Mood: How do diet and nutrition effect mental well-being? <https://www.bmj.com/content/bmj/369/bmj.m2382.full.pdf>

National Institute of Health: Omega 3 Fatty Acid Fact Sheet. <https://ods.od.nih.gov/pdf/factsheets/Omega3FattyAcids-Consumer.pdf>

Mindful Eating: The Art of Presence While You Eat. <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC5556586/>