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THE RAINBOW JUICE CLEANSE

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—JJ Virgin, CNS, CHFS, celebrity nutrition and fitness expert, and New York Times bestselling author of JJ Virgin’s Sugar Impact Diet
“The Rainbow Juice Cleanse provides a path to a life free of sugar addiction and unhealthy eating habits. Following this seven-day juice cleanse will give you access to more energy, clearer skin, a slimmer waistline, and the tools you need to continue discovering your healthiest self.”

—Vani Hari, activist, founder of FoodBabe.com, and author of The Food Babe Way

“Dr. Ginger’s rainbow approach to juice cleansing is so unique and comprehensive. She offers accessible information and tasty recipes that will help you reclaim your health and have fun!”

—Tess Masters, author of The Blender Girl

“The Rainbow Juice Cleanse is a revolutionary program that utilizes the incredible benefits of phytonutrients to support weight loss and detox, and is an important book in today’s unhealthy Standard American Diet world.”

—Danielle Omar, MS, RD, author of Skinny Juices

“Today's confusing field of nutrition can paralyze a health seeker’s progress. Dr. Ginger’s Rainbow Juice Cleanse will clarify, guide, and comprehensively lead the reader into maximum health and happiness.”

—Brian Clement, PhD, NMD, LN, international speaker, author, and co-director of the Hippocrates Health Institute

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—Robert M. Goldman, MD, PhD, DO, FAASP, co-founder and chairman of the A4M (American Academy of Anti-Aging Medicine)

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—Andrea Donsky, RHN, author of Unjunk Your Junk Food and radio host of Naturally Savvy Radio on RadioMD.com

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—Ray D. Strand, MD, bestselling author of Healthy for Life and What Your Doctor Doesn’t Know About Nutritional Medicine May Be Killing You
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“Eat your fruit; juice your veggies.”

—DR. GINGER

WHAT’S UP WITH JUICING?

EVEN IF YOU ARE NOT FAMILIAR WITH THE CONCEPT of “juicing,” you can’t own a television and not have heard of Jack LaLanne. For years on end, his infomercials about his Jack LaLanne Power Juicer aired at all hours of the day and night. He was still going strong late into his nineties and attributed his great health to decades of consistent juicing and exercising.

But juicing isn’t something new. In fact, it is a practice that dates back to the ancient cultures of the world. In the biblical era, juices for healing were promoted by the Essenes in the Dead Sea Scrolls. In ancient India, Ayurvedic practitioners utilized various “pressed” herbs and vegetables, as well as consuming various fruits for healing purposes. The healing powers of juices and other foods have been recognized for centuries. But foods have not become part of mainstream healing in the Western world, even though Hippocrates, the ancient Greek physician and the father of modern medicine, famously said, “Let food be thy medicine and medicine be thy food.”

Over the past century, many have blazed the juicing trail under the mainstream radar. Dr. Max Gerson (author of A Cancer Therapy) is said to have healed both himself and others suffering from ailments as diverse as migraines, diabetes, and cancer with juicing. Dr. Norman W. Walker (and his Walker Press Juicer),
Patricia Bragg and Paul C. Bragg (authors of Bragg Healthy Lifestyle), Jay Kordich (author of The Juiceman’s Power of Juicing), Ann Wigmore (author of The Wheatgrass Book), Kris Carr (author of the Crazy Sexy Cancer book series), and the directors of the Hippocrates Health Institute, Drs. Brian and Anna Maria Clement (who have made raw green juices a staple of the nutritional protocol for their guests) have all put their own “squeeze” on the healing powers of juicing. Political leaders, clergy, athletes, supermodels, and, more recently, cancer survivors and talk show hosts like Dr. Mehmet Oz have all made a significant impact by helping others learn about the power of juicing.

As I progressed through my own career as a health and healing expert and passionately learned and witnessed firsthand how juices and “real” food can radically transform one’s health, weight, family, and entire life, I decided to make a conscious choice to look at everything I eat and drink from a healing mindset. And that’s how the idea for this book began. Today, you can find hundreds of books on juicing. There are juice shops on every corner, it seems, and a juicing infomercial airing every hour on television. But the frustrating part, from a true healing perspective, is that many of them are missing a crucial component.

The Rainbow Juice Cleanse boldly revamps the entire thought process behind the popular juicing trend because it is written from the perspective of how juicing with fruit and a few popular high-glycemic vegetables affect the intricate physiology of the body. Weight loss, detoxification, and even reversing the progress of disease cannot take place without this basic understanding, but sadly most popular juicing books neglect to address it.

If you want to lose weight and detoxify your body, if you have diabetes or any type of blood-sugar issue, or even if you have a disease like cancer—you should not be juicing fruit. Juiced fruit is basically a glass of sugar, and yet fruit is usually the major component—and sometimes the only component—in almost all the recipes in the popular juicing books and juice bars out there, because we, as a society, are all addicted to sugar.

In my health seminars and my private sessions with clients, when it comes to juicing, I always say, “Eat your fruit; juice your veggies.” In this book you will learn why.

The Rainbow Juice Cleanse is a revolutionary program that employs the nutritious, slimming, and healing properties of juicing delicious vegetables, not fruit, to kick-start weight loss and improve health. In just seven days, you will begin to detoxify your body and lose up to seven pounds! Each day of the program focuses on a different color of the rainbow, utilizing savory veggies and detoxifying herbs and spices you may never have thought of juicing, as well as Rainbow boosts you can add to your juice (pages 62–65), ensuring the best possible nutritional profile and guaranteeing positive results.

This book will teach you how to choose the right juicer, properly shop the rainbow of nutritious, alkaline produce that Mother Nature provides, and avoid the common pitfalls and ticking sugar bombs that we often ignore, to the detriment of our health. It guides you on how to “drink the rainbow” with a plan that entails consuming phytonutrient-rich, colorful juices and drinking a different color each day of the cleanse. It then shows you how to reach your pot of gold at the end of the rainbow after just seven days. It’s a jump start on losing weight, detoxifying your body, countering the effects of aging, gaining abundant energy, reversing the progress of disease, and balancing your body and its pH overall.

For those who have never tried a juice cleanse before, two options are offered before you transition into the juice-only, seven-day Rainbow Juice Cleanse.

The first option is a two-week program called the Rainbow Warm-Up, during which you continue with your regular diet (with some major encouragement to give some Rainbow food recipes a try), and you also...
start incorporating one Rainbow Cleanse juice per day into your diet.

The second option is the one-week Rainbow Rev-Up, during which you consume one juice per day (or more if you like), and consume only the Rainbow foods and the Rainbow food recipes. With this approach, you do away with all your unhealthy food habits and no longer follow the Standard American Diet (SAD)—a highly appropriate acronym, don’t you think? For one day a week during the Rainbow Rev-Up phase, you will consume only juice the entire day—as much as you want—a little taste, if you will, of what to expect during the full seven-day Rainbow Juice Cleanse.

You may choose to start with the warm-up and then ease into the rev-up, or you may be feeling braver and start with the rev-up and then proceed to the Rainbow Juice Cleanse. Or, you may just want to skip both beginner phases altogether and jump right into the juice-only Rainbow Cleanse. Any one of these options is fine—do what works for you!

But when you move on to the juice-only, seven-day Rainbow Juice Cleanse, the Rainbow rewards really kick into high gear. For four days before and four days after the cleanse, you will eat very easily digestible foods from the Rainbow foods list as you ease into and then ease out of the juice cleanse.

OK, are you ready? You’re about to turn into a rainbow juicing trailblazer in your own home and community. Let’s go; let’s learn; let’s juice!
I even have memories of childhood elders saying, “Eat the colors of the rainbow, and you will allow the sunlight to shine through you,” or “Eat the colors of the rainbow and watch your life explode with beauty and color.”

As an adult and a physician who has extensively studied food, nutrition, disease, and the human body, I can say that both the symbolism and the childhood sayings ring true. Eating the foods of the colors of the rainbow—red, orange, yellow, green, blue, indigo, and violet—indeed can lead to the promise of a brighter future for both our weight and our overall health.

Why Color?

One word: phytonutrients. Nature’s naturally colored plant foods—with their vibrant red, orange, yellow, green, and other bright colors—contain phytonutrients (also known as phytochemicals). These are classes of
THE COLOR GROUPS

Below are the colors we use for the Rainbow Juice Cleanse with some of their most important phytonutrients, benefits, and the foods where they’re found listed for each one, as well as the percentage of American adults not consuming adequate amounts of these life- and health-giving nutrients.

RED

**PHYTONUTRIENTS:**
- Lycopene
- Carotenoids
- Ellagic acid
- Quercetin
- Hesperidin
- Anthocyanins

**BENEFITS:**
- Supports urinary tract, prostate, and DNA health
- Protects against heart disease and cancer

**FOUND IN:**
- Tomatoes
- Raspberries
- Red cabbage
- Cranberries
- Red peppers

**74% fall short**

**ORANGE**

**PHYTONUTRIENTS:**
- Alpha-carotene
- Beta-carotene
- Beta-cryptoxanthin

**BENEFITS:**
- Supports eye health, healthy immune function, and overall health, growth, and development

**FOUND IN:**
- Carrots
- Orange peppers
- Sweet potatoes
- Pumpkin
- Turmeric
- Ginger

**80% fall short**

**YELLOW**

**PHYTONUTRIENTS:**
- Lutein
- Zeaxanthin

**BENEFITS:**
- Supports retinal and overall eye health

**FOUND IN:**
- Spaghetti squash
- Yellow peppers
- Lemons
- Pineapple

**80% fall short**

**Count Colors, Not Calories**

Nature’s foods of the same color do not necessarily contain the exact same vitamins, minerals, or phytonutrients, but many do share predominant phytonutrients. Oftentimes, the phytonutrient gives the produce its vibrant color. So clustering colors together, as the Rainbow Juice Cleanse does, not only loads the body with essential vitamins and minerals, but also supercharges it with the dominant phytonutrients (and there are lots of them) of that color. Keep in mind that it’s not about eating just two or three superfoods; it’s about consuming a diet comprising a wide array of colorful plant foods on a daily basis because they are all super for health, vitality, cleansing, and weight loss. Most of us don’t consume enough fruits and veggies on a daily basis, which means most of us don’t consume enough phytonutrients. In fact, 76 percent of us are not getting enough of them in our diet; that’s eight out of ten Americans shortchanging themselves of these vital nutrients. Clustering colors creates a fun way to remind us that colors equal health. By consuming a different color each day, you will be sure to get all the colors of the rainbow in just seven days.
**THE RAINBOW JUICE CLEANSE**

**WHY THE RAINBOW?**

**Slimming Colors**

The Rainbow Juice Cleanse strips away pounds, eliminates nasty toxins, and slows down the aging process by establishing the right environment in the body for natural and sustained weight loss, detoxification, and anti-aging. In addition, it promotes great health overall. The cleanse accomplishes this in several ways.

**PHYTONUTRIENTS**

More and more studies are showing that phytonutrients aid in weight loss. A study published in a 2008 issue of the *Journal of Agricultural and Food Chemistry* shows that the class of phytonutrients called anthocyanins helps stimulate the fat-burning process and significantly counters obesity. Another study in the November–December 2010 issue of *Biofactors* found that phytochemicals, particularly flavonoids, potentially inhibit the transformation of the fat cells’ precursor cells into actual fat cells. They also stimulate the breakdown of fats and thereby reduce the girth of the amount of overall fat tissue. Many other phytonutrients of different families have similar effects. This means that consuming large quantities of phytonutrients, as we do in the Rainbow Juice Cleanse, will help promote weight loss.

**ALKALINITY, HYDRATION, AND DETOXIFICATION**

Remember high school chemistry and the pH scale? Believe it or not, the pH scale has important implications for both health and weight loss. If you recall, the scale runs from 0 to 14, with 7 being neutral. The numbers below 7 are considered acidic and those above 7 are considered alkaline. Your body likes to be just slightly alkaline, at a pH of about 7.36–7.45, and it can be if you consume nature’s foods in their least processed form. Unfortunately, most of us are very acidic and dehydrated, due to an unhealthy lifestyle involving stress, no exercise, and consumption of highly cooked and highly acidic foods, such as coffee, alcohol, processed meats, fried foods, chips, ice cream, sodas, and artificial sweeteners. This kind of lifestyle makes the body very acidic, which is the ideal breeding ground for disease. In this acidic state, you also store in your fat cells all the acids and toxins you consume.

**GREEN**

**PHYTONUTRIENTS:**
- Sulforaphane
- Chlorophyll
- Indoles
- Lutein
- EGCG (epigallocatechin gallate)
- Isothiocyanate
- Isoflavones

**BENEFITS:**
- Supports artery function, liver function, eye health, and cell health
- Promotes gum health and wound healing
- Keeps bones and teeth strong

**FOUND IN:**
- Leafy greens
- Sprouted grasses and algae
- Cucumber
- Zucchini
- Peas
- Avocado
- Asparagus

69% fall short

**BLUE/INDIGO/VIOLET**

**PHYTONUTRIENTS:**
- Resveratrol
- Flavonoids
- Anthocyanins

**BENEFITS:**
- Supports brain, bone, heart, and artery health
- Boosts memory
- Protects against cancer
- Counters aging

**FOUND IN:**
- Purple cabbage
- Blueberries
- Blackberries
- Eggplant
- Beets

75% fall short

83% fall short

**WHITE/TAN/BROWN**

**PHYTONUTRIENTS:**
- Allicin
- Sulfides
- Anthoxanthins

**BENEFITS:**
- Anticancer and anti-inflammatory properties, boosts immunity, helps to lower blood pressure and cholesterol

**FOUND IN:**
- Garlic
- Onions
- Scallions
- Cauliflower
- Bananas
- Mushrooms
- Ginger

NOTE: Although not among the colors of the rainbow, white/tan/brown and their corresponding foods have many incredible health benefits and are found in the Rainbow Juice Cleanse recipes.

**Phytonutrients will help promote weight loss.**

70% fall short
making it very difficult for you to lose weight. Consuming hydrating, detoxifying, alkaline produce, as we do in the Rainbow Juice Cleanse, allows the body to release toxic weight easily and safely.

CONSUMING THE RIGHT SUGARS AND BLOOD SUGAR STABILIZATION
The type of sugars we consume and our blood sugar levels throughout the day determine whether we store the food we eat as fat or burn it as energy. We will learn more about this in chapter 2. The trick to losing weight and keeping it all off are to consume foods with what’s called a low glycemic index (GI) throughout the day and to consume the right types of sugars, as we do in the Rainbow Juice Cleanse. This keeps your blood sugar on an even keel.

The Rainbow Juice Cleanse juices and the Rainbow Juice Cleanse foods are all loaded with very hydrating, alkaline, low-glycemic, fat-busting phytonutrients, as well as vitamins, minerals, amino acids, enzymes, oxygen, and organic water, creating an absolutely perfect environment for massive detoxification, incredible nourishment, and subsequent weight loss to occur in a short period.

So, let’s get started exploring the rainbow and the pot of gold that awaits you at its end!

CHAPTER 2
PITFALLS TO FINDING THE TREASURE AT THE END OF THE RAINBOW

LET’S TALK ABOUT some of the pitfalls, speed bumps, and traps you may fall into during the Rainbow Juice Cleanse program.

- **Juices versus Smoothies versus Shakes**
  When you first learn about juicing, you might confuse a juice with a smoothie or a shake. It’s important to differentiate among these because, from a healing perspective, each one has particular health benefits associated with it. I recommend incorporating all three into your regular diet over time. Everyone seems to have a different definition, so here is how I define each in my recipes.

  **JUICES**
  Fresh-made juices are made in a juicer, which extracts the juice from the fibrous pulp, providing massive amounts of
SHAKES
Shakes are a great way to add healthy plant-based proteins (yes, plants do have protein!) and the good-for-you fats to your diet without any of the chemical additives found in commercial “muscle building” formulas. No hormones, steroids, antibiotics, or cholesterol in these “milk” shakes; just dairy-free, creamy-blended nuts, seeds, or sprouted grains, chock-full of highly absorbable protein, vitamin E, bioavailable calcium, great flavor, and the good fats your body needs. Got nut milk?

SMOOTHIES
You’re sure to get your daily dose of fiber and more in a cool, refreshing smoothie. Unlike juices, smoothies are made by tossing the entire vegetable into a high-speed blender (along with filtered water), which keeps the fiber in the final product. Fiber acts like a magic sponge that pulls out toxic wastes—and even cholesterol—from our bodies. So smoothies are an excellent, natural way to lower high cholesterol. This is where I give you a little more leeway in consuming fruit, although I still want to remind you of my mantra: Eat your fruit; juice your veggies. If you incorporate fruit in your smoothie, make it less than 10 percent of your total daily calorie intake. Smoothies give you a feeling of fullness, more so than juices, due to their massive amounts of fiber. Refreshing, filling, energy-giving, and addictive, a smoothie works well as a snack or a meal substitute.

What Is a Fruit?
The infamous debate—Is it a fruit or a vegetable?—has pervaded society and even the courts as far back as the 1800s. In 1893, the law actually had to step in to decide a case regarding tomatoes, thus perhaps fueling our confusion today on the tomato’s proper designation.

Nix v. Hedden, a U.S. Supreme Court case, resulted in a unanimous ruling that imported tomatoes should indeed be taxed as vegetables and not as fruits, which, at the time, were taxed at a lower rate. The High Court drew on the “ordinary” kitchen definitions of fruits and vegetables to define a tomato, although the justices did concede that a tomato, botanically speaking, is classified as a fruit.

You may think you’ve known since you were five years old how to differentiate a fruit from a vegetable, but unless you are a gardener or a chef or a lawmaker, your view may fall somewhere in between.

According to the study of plants (botany), a fruit is the sweet and fleshy product of a tree or other plant that contains seeds. All the other parts of the plant—the leaves, stems, and roots—are considered vegetables.

By that definition, gardeners would define avocados, cucumbers, squash, and tomatoes as fruits. By contrast, leafy plants, such as lettuce, spinach, and kale; and stem plants, such as broccoli and celery; and root plants, such as beets, potatoes, and jicama would all be categorized as vegetables.

From a culinary perspective, however, the definition is more nuanced. Foods that may be botanically considered fruits, but which taste less sweet and more savory, are considered vegetables by the culinary world. So chefs would classify botanical

It is important to make your juices fresh and to use only organic produce.
fruits, such as bell peppers, eggplants, and tomatoes, as vegetables.

In the Rainbow Juice Cleanse, we generally follow the chef’s definition of fruits and veggies, and consider bell peppers, cucumbers, avocados, and tomatoes as vegetables. But, more importantly, we look at them from another perspective: the weight loss, cleansing, and healing perspective. In doing that, we take into account three important factors.

TOXICITY TO THE BODY
We know fruits and veggies, in general, are not toxic to the body, although there are a few specific health challenges that call for avoiding certain produce until the condition is under control. What I’m referring to here is pesticides, herbicides, and fungicides. In the Rainbow Juice Cleanse, the foods, recipes, and particularly the juices should incorporate only organic or chemical-free produce. This is a cleanse, and your body absorbs these juices immediately without the usual sequence of processing, so you want to keep your body totally free of dangerous and potentially cancer-causing substances.

GLYCEMIC INDEX/LOAD AND TYPE OF SUGAR
The glycemic index (GI) is a measure of how fast and how high your blood sugar rises (and then falls) after you have eaten a carbohydrate-rich (especially sugary) food. For example, white sugar has a GI of 100, which is very high. This is the standard against which all other foods are measured. The scale runs from 0 to 100.

Low GI value = 55 or less
Intermediate GI value = 56–69
High GI value = 70 or more

The GI value of a baked potato is 85, a Cookies and Cream Clif Builder’s Bar is 101, and orange-flavored Gatorade is 89. On the other hand, an avocado, cauliflower, celery, cucumber, leafy veggies (spinach, kale), and nuts all have a GI value of 0. Fruits have higher GI values, as do certain veggies, such as carrots (47) and beets (64).

Eating fruits and higher-glycemic vegetables should cause no problems; whole carrots, beets, and all fruits are on the Rainbow Juice Cleanse foods list. When you eat them whole, their overall glycemic impact is negligible, for the most part, but I still recommend keeping them at about 10 percent or less of your total calorie intake.

Why? Because, most likely, your diet has always revolved around a sea of sugar, and we are here to get that under control.

When you start juicing the high-glycemic fruits and veggies (keep in mind that you can juice an entire bag of carrots and fill just one glass of juice), this can become a problem, especially for sugar-sensitive individuals. (And remember: I’m coming at this entire program from a healing perspective.) Lower-GI foods keep insulin levels low; thus, by consuming these foods you won’t stimulate fat storage, and you’ll maximize weight loss.

The other key feature to consider is the fructose content, which is the main type of sugar in fruits and root veggies. Oddly enough, fructose doesn’t raise blood sugar, as you would expect. But what it does do, which you will learn later in this chapter, is turn into fat. Ugh! And we are not interested in that happening during this cleanse.

Remember my rule: Eat your fruit; juice your veggies (except carrots and beets).

Now here is where it gets tricky and why the GI value (or even the GI load, another measurement that considers the food serving sizes) is not the best or the only factor to look at in your overall diet. A hot dog has a lower GI value than a pineapple, but I would never recommend eating a hot dog or feeding one to your kids, or even your dog, for that matter!

PHYTONUTRIENT AND OVERALL MICRONUTRIENT CONTENT
Although the GI has been scientifically validated as a tool in helping to control conditions such as diabetes, and has been around since about 1981, it can’t be used in isolation. You have to look at other key factors during the cleanse and its warm-up and rev-up phases. You need to consider the overall phyttonutrient and micronutrient content in what you consume.

All the foods and juices in the program are so alkaline, nutritionally dense, and jam-packed with phyttonutrients, they innately give off the following side effects: They decrease previously uncontrollable food cravings; they speed up weight loss and cleansing; and they harness incredible disease-protective qualities. And who doesn’t want all that?
THE SUGAR RUSH
In the nineteenth century, only the aristocracy and the most affluent in the community consumed processed sugar—it was almost like a delicacy. Ironically, today’s sugar subsidies have the poorest members of our society consuming the largest amount of sugar, because so many of the foods made with it are so cheap. Today, sugar has become such a staple in the average American diet that many people are completely unaware of how much of it they are actually consuming. But let me start by saying we eat 75,000 percent more sugar than our ancestors did. Yikes!

According to the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), the United States is the world’s largest consumer of sweeteners, one of the largest sugar producers, as well as one of the largest producers of sugarcane and sugar beets, particularly from Florida and Louisiana.

The worldwide consumption of sugar continues to rise every year. According to George Washington University’s Face the Facts project, on average, American adults consume almost thirty teaspoons (150 ml) of the sweet stuff per day (almost five hundred calories); that’s one hundred pounds (45.5 kg) of sugar and sweeteners each year, and nearly half of that, they say, comes from carbonated sodas and fruit drinks. The American Heart Association recommends consuming no more than six teaspoons (30 ml) per day (one hundred calories).

Since 1990, the World Health Organization (WHO) has advised that intake of free sugars should be less than 10 percent of total energy (calorie) intake per day. “Free sugars” are sugars that are added to foods by the manufacturer, the cook, or the consumer. The term free sugars also encompasses honey, fruit concentrates, and processed fruit juices.

The WHO further notes that reducing the intake of sugar to below 5 percent would have additional benefits. Five percent of overall calorie intake would equal about six teaspoons (30 ml) of sugar per day for an adult. Keep in mind that one tablespoon (15 ml) of regular ketchup contains one teaspoon (5 ml) of sugar (5 ml), and a can of soda contains ten teaspoons (50 ml) of sugar. So with today’s Standard American Diet, someone would be hard-pressed to meet these suggested guidelines, much less the older ones.

One hundred pounds (45.5 kg) of sugar—our current average annual intake—certainly translates into a lot of additional weight in one year. Is it surprising that obesity and so many other diseases have become such dominant health issues?

THE SUGAR INDUSTRY
The sugar industry is a multibillion-dollar business, supported by substantial government subsidies. Today it is receiving its fair share of criticism from those who think the U.S. sugar policy artificially inflates sugar prices to benefit the sugar producers at the expense of consumer health. Many are also saying Big Sugar has become the new tobacco, deploying some of the same tactics used by Big Tobacco decades ago to downplay and misrepresent that too much of a sweet thing can be a very dangerous thing to your health and longevity.

The sugar industry is a multibillion-dollar business, supported by substantial government subsidies. Today it is receiving its fair share of criticism from those who think the U.S. sugar policy artificially inflates sugar prices to benefit the sugar producers at the expense of consumer health. Many are also saying Big Sugar has become the new tobacco, deploying some of the same tactics used by Big Tobacco decades ago to downplay and misrepresent that too much of a sweet thing can be a very dangerous thing to your health and longevity.

In order to fully understand sugar in all its gooey glory, we need to have a little lesson in terminology to fully appreciate its pervasiveness.

In the 30,000-foot (9,145 m) bird’s-eye view of nutrition, you have the macronutrients—fats, proteins, and carbohydrates. These are broken down in the body into the micronutrients—fatty acids (and glycerol), amino acids, and glucose, respectively. Sugar fits into the category of carbohydrates.

CARBOHYDRATES
Good carbs, bad carbs, no carbs, low carbs, high carbs, Atkins diet. I know you’ve heard of all these terms in relation to carbohydrates, but what is a carb, really? Simply put, it’s...
the sugary (think birthday cakes and fruit) or starchy (spaghetti, bread, potato) part of foods. Sugars can be further classified as simple or complex carbohydrates.

**SIMPLE CARBS**

These are naturally occurring carbohydrates, like the lactose in milk and the fructose in fruit. But simple carbs also include human-manipulated sugars, the sugary bad carbs we all love to indulge in, like high-fructose corn syrup (and its many aliases) and sucrose. Also called “refined carbs,” these simple carbs encompass white flour and everything that’s made from it as well, plus white rice, which is rice stripped of its fiber. Simple carbs may have started as one of nature’s whole foods, but no more. After we toyed with them—removing the fiber and destroying the minerals, vitamins, phytonutrients, and enzymes as we transformed them into white sugar, white flour, rice, pack-aged cookies, baked goods, candies, sodas, fruit juices, snack foods, and even that blueberry muffin you have every morning with your coffee—they became a dangerous burden to our brains and our bodies. These fast-absorbing, fast-energy sugars can cause a major spike in blood sugar, especially if consumed in high amounts, as most of us do in our society today.

**COMPLEX CARBS**

Unrefined, fiber-rich vegetables, legumes, and truly whole, unrefined grains (not stripped of their bran and germ) are called complex carbs. Because they are unrefined, these starches are full of vitamins, minerals, phytonutrients, enzymes, proteins, and other good stuff (unless you mess with them), and they take longer to digest. Thus, they do not cause a high spike in your blood sugar. Starch metabolism begins in your mouth, as the enzymes in your saliva convert these complex carbs into the sugar maltose. When maltose reaches the small intestine, it’s converted into glucose. Since this is a longer process than the metabolism of simple carbs, complex carbs are considered time-release carbs; they don’t offer that immediate spike in your blood sugar and give you long, sustained energy.

**From Food to Fuel**

There are other types of and many other ways to describe carbs, but for the purposes of the Rainbow Juice Cleanse, let’s look at the sugars glucose, fructose, and sucrose. Your tainted tongue may not be able to tell the difference between these sugars, but your body certainly can. They all give you the same amount of energy per gram, but are processed and used differently throughout the body.

**GLUCOSE**

The energy source you were intended to run on, glucose—a simple sugar—is also referred to as blood sugar. It’s the only source of sugar your brain can use, and it is the preferred source of energy for your cells. As the body breaks down the carbs you consume into glucose, glucose builds up in the blood and is burned up and used immediately by the brain and the cells in your body. If it is not needed at that time, it is stored in muscle cells and the liver (as glycogen) for later use. All of this action is guided by insulin, a hormone released by the pancreas, which sits behind your stomach. Glucose also stimulates leptin, a hormone that helps to suppress your appetite. But just because you (over)ate it doesn’t mean you can use it, and that’s where having too much sugar—and thus too much circulating insulin—can cause problems like diabetes.

**FRUCTOSE**

Found naturally in many fruits and vegetables, fructose is also added in massive amounts to various foods and beverages in the form of high-fructose corn syrup (HFCS). Keep in mind that almost all HFCS is genetically modified and appears under the guise of many other names. Sodas and many carbonated drinks, fruit juices, yogurts, frozen diet meals, energy drinks—almost all processed foods—are loaded with fructose. This sugar has become an anathema in nutrition circles. It is very different from glucose in its metabolic pathway, and it is not the preferred energy source for the brain or the muscles. Fructose, unlike glucose, is metabolized 100 percent in the liver, and it is considered more fat-loving and fat-producing than glucose. It does not
cause insulin to be released (so it doesn’t promote an increase in blood sugar) or stimulate leptin, the good hormone that regulates energy intake, energy expenditure, and satiety.

Fructose is broken down into free fatty acids (FFAs), very-low-density lipoprotein (VLDL, or bad cholesterol), and triglycerides, which are stored as, ugh, fat. This can cause fatty liver disease (the sugarholic type), as well as insulin resistance and metabolic syndrome. Fructose also prompts the production of nasty waste products, such as uric acid, raising your blood pressure and leading to gout, which often manifests first as big toe pain. More than any other type of sugar, fructose precipitates all types of chronic disease, as well as wrinkles and signs of aging. If you only ingested fructose from fruits and veggies, as our ancestors did, there wouldn’t be such a problem, but that is simply not the case today. Our society consumes fructose in massive, previously unheard-of quantities. Fructose has become our main source of sugar and our number one source of calories. As Dr. Robert Lustig, professor of pediatrics in the Division of Endocrinology at the University of California, San Francisco, says, “Consuming fructose is essentially consuming fat.” Enough said!

Note: About 80 percent of ethanol—the alcohol found in alcoholic beverages—is metabolized by the liver (just as fructose is), stimulating the same formation of fat-free fatty acids, VLDL (bad cholesterol), and triglycerides. So, alcoholic beverages are not part of the Rainbow Juice Cleanse!

**How Do Fruits and Veggies Fit In?**

Fruits contain mainly sugar (simple carbs) and mostly in the form of fructose, and most veggies contain mainly starches (complex carbs) with a few exceptions, such as corn and most root veggies, which also contain higher amounts of fructose than glucose.

**Sucrose**

More commonly called “table sugar,” sucrose is harvested from sugarcane and sugar beets, most of which today are genetically modified. Sucrose is a disaccharide (meaning its molecular structure comprises two sugars—the prefix di means “two”). This is in contrast to glucose and fructose, whose chemical structure is made up of just one sugar molecule (called monosaccharides—the prefix mono means “one”). When sucrose is consumed, it is further broken down into its component sugar units, glucose and fructose (that is, sucrose = glucose + fructose). The body uses glucose in its usual manner, as its preferred energy source, and the fructose, considered extra energy if it’s not immediately needed, is poured into the fat-making process, which was stimulated by insulin in response to glucose.
Thanks to today’s chemists, the sugar nomenclature has exploded into many unrecognizable yet seemingly innocuous names. Sugar in its various high-sweetness guises graces the ingredient lists of hundreds of thousands of commonly consumed food products and store-bought juices. You have to really make a conscientious (and educated) effort to stay away from it and not be fooled. Go grab something off the pantry shelf or out of the fridge and see if any of these sneaky names for sugar are on this list. Most of these aliases are provided courtesy of the movie Fed Up:

**THE SWEET SCIENCE OF ADDICTION**

The addictive nature of sugar is no secret, for many of you experience it on a daily basis. You love it; you hate it; you crave it. You’re depressed about it. You are going to rid yourself of it once and for all, but you have no willpower. You make it through the day without any. Then somehow you find yourself in line at the drive-through of a local fast-food joint with a supersized soda in your hand, and you don’t know how it got there. You have lost all control! You are addicted!

Sugar, the ultimate frenemy and legal drug, hijacks your brain, specifically the reward centers of your brain. Your brain on sugar reacts just as if you’d taken a hit of cocaine.

It’s as if you have become a (legal) drug addict. The actual substance of abuse may be different and the relapses and eventual consequences may not be as severe, but the feeling and the effect on the brain are exactly the same.

All because of sugar.

**SUGAR AND HORMONES**

There is much to say about sugar—fructose, in particular—and its effect on hormones, the body’s messenger molecules. But I just want to make a few key points.

**Fructose doesn’t make you feel full.** Recall that when fructose is metabolized, it does not trigger the normal insulin and leptin responses, as glucose does. These are the hormones that tell the brain you have had enough to eat, so if they’re not working, you don’t feel full and you just keep on eating.

**Fructose makes you gain fat weight.** Since your internal stop button is never triggered, you keep eating or drinking fructose-laced food and drinks. All the while your liver synthesizes that fructose into a fatty mess of free fatty acids, bad cholesterol, and triglycerides.

In addition, the whole insulin catastrophe causes the adrenal glands on your kidneys to produce more of the hormone cortisol, aka the stress hormone. Cortisol may bring on thyroid hormone issues, sleep issues, sex hormone issues (leading to infertility in both sexes and low testosterone in men), hair loss, and cancer. The list goes on and on.

All because of sugar.
SUGAR AND NUTRIENT DEPLETION
Just as most drugs (over-the-counter and prescription) deplete your body of nutrients, so does this legal drug—refined sugar. Like a thief in the night, sugar taps into your body’s supply of B vitamins, such as B₆, B₁₂, and folic acid (B₉), and vitamins C and E, as well as a host of others, and strips them clean. It also leeches calcium and magnesium from your teeth and bones.

All because of sugar, the antivitamin.

SUGAR: FEEDING MODERN DISEASE
Our love affair with sugar is slowly killing us. We are fatter than ever—many of us morbidly obese; our immune system is shot; our teeth are falling out; our skin is saggy and wrinkled; our blood sugar is through the roof; our bones are weak; our heart is failing; but, hey, cancer is thriving, and so are the Big Disease industries.

All because of sugar.

SUGAR AND OBESITY: POURING ON THE POUNDS
According to the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), more than one-third of American adults, or 78.6 million people, are obese. Almost 40 percent of these obese adults are in the forty- to fifty-nine-year-old age range, with Louisiana having the highest prevalence of any state at 34.7 percent (Louisiana is one of the top sugar-producing states, too). No state has less than 20 percent of obese adults.

Our number one source of calories contributing to this obesity epidemic is soft drinks (fructose). We are, as a populace, pouring on the pounds (and the associated diseases) with soft drinks, sweet teas, and fruit juices, and we are digging our own graves at the same time. And the liquid candy industries are moving in on us in ways you never dreamed possible. Dayton, Ohio; Ocean City, Maryland; and Miami Beach have all inked deals making Coke the official soft drink of their cities. Talk about a takeover! If these cities aren’t on Gallup’s Fattest Cities list already, they certainly will be very, very soon.

I’m not going to sugarcoat it. Soft drinks are something you really need to stop consuming, cold turkey, now. We just learned how they (and their fructose) are turned into fat. What better reason do you need? And if you allow your children to drink them, you need to get a handle on that as well.

Remember, our number one source of calories is soft drinks. According to the CDC, 70 percent of our obese youth already have at least one risk factor for cardiovascular disease and are more likely to have prediabetes, sleep apnea, low self-esteem, and psychological problems. We are killing our children and ourselves.

All because of sugar.

SUGAR AND THE IMMUNE SYSTEM
Few people realize that ingesting the high quantities of sugar that we do has an immediate effect on our immune system, our body’s protective mechanism. With a blood sugar level at 120 (high, but very common today), the ability of our knight-in-shining-armor protector cells (aka white blood cells) to destroy bacteria and viruses may be reduced by well over 50 percent. Whoa! So, taking that into consideration, based on the 2014 National Diabetes Statistics Report of those with diabetes and prediabetes, including seniors, 115.1 million people in the United States possess an immune system that pretty much couldn’t protect them from a pack of flies. Totally pathetic.

All because of sugar.

SUGAR AND TOOTH DECAY
Sugar is notorious for promoting tooth decay and causing cavities. You may even have a mouthful of fillings from your childhood years.

It might surprise you to know that fruit juices are not your friend, either, when it comes to your teeth. According to Marvin Pantangco, DDS, a holistic dentist and head of the Center for Natural Dentistry in Encinitas, California, “A key to preventing tooth decay is to avoid sugars and acids found in our foods and drinks. Fruit juices are even a major contributor because of their high sugar content.”

Over time, the sugar-bacteria relationship in our mouth can lead to bleeding, inflamed gums, a condition called periodontal disease. In the worst cases of periodontal disease, the gum tissue actually begins to pull away from your teeth, and the bacteria go to work destroying the underlying bone.
that helps support your teeth. There is also a link between periodontal disease and a number of other chronic health issues, such as heart disease, diabetes, and rheumatoid arthritis—all inflammatory diseases.

All because of sugar.

SUGAR AND DIABETES
I’m sure everyone reading this knows someone, even many people, with diabetes. It might even be you. Diabetes has become a global epidemic. The American Diabetes Association’s 2014 annual report states that 29.1 million Americans have diabetes; that’s about 9.3 percent of the population. Prediabetes affects some 86 million (51 percent of them seniors). What’s going on here?!

I don’t want to minimize the importance of obesity and excess body fat as some of the most significant contributors to diabetes, nor the fact that insulin works much less effectively with a diet consisting of fatty foods, but for our purposes here, we are going to talk the sugar side of the equation.

Brian Clement, PhD, NMD, LN, co-director of the amazing Hippocrates Health Institute in West Palm Beach, Florida, helps diabetics balance their bodies daily at the institute. He notes that not only may diabetes be one of the most devastating diseases of all time, but also children are now being diagnosed with it at younger ages each year. Says Dr. Clement, “Diabetes just starts to eat up the body because the body cannot handle the high amounts of sugar in the blood all the time without erosion of the cells of the body. These poor kids—ten to fifteen years old—are now dealing with type-2 diabetes, where just two and three generations ago, we used to see sixty years of bad living before a person had that disease. Now it takes ten or fifteen years.” Shocking!

Despite the toll diabetes is taking on our population and despite the conventional wisdom about diabetes, diabetes is reversible and no one knows that better than Gabriel Cousens, MD, a homeopathic physician and the founder of the Tree of Life Rejuvenation Center in Patagonia, Arizona. He wrote a book called There Is a Cure for Diabetes and starred in the 2009 documentary Simply Raw, which followed six people through a thirty-day program in an attempt to reverse their diabetes without medication. Check out the movie and see what happens to these six subjects. It’s astounding.

Keep in mind that diabetes is not just a disease about blood sugar. Serious long-term complications, including heart disease, kidney failure, blindness, stroke, infections, amputations, erectile dysfunction, depression, and dementia, are prevalent among diabetics long term.

All because of sugar.

SUGAR AND OSTEOPOROSIS
Osteoporosis was traditionally a disease we didn’t see until later in life, but today we are setting our children up for this condition much sooner by allowing them to consume too much liquid candy and sugar overall. Sugar destroys bones, as it is highly acidifying. Studies have shown that consuming excessive quantities of sugar causes a large increase in urinary calcium excretion (pulled from the bones!), both in healthy subjects as well as those who are prone to kidney stones.

All because of sugar.

SUGAR AND CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE
There is also a link between sugar and cardiovascular disease, as well as all its inflammatory relatives, including stroke, high blood pressure, high cholesterol, and even erectile dysfunction. Yes, I’m sorry to have to report that last one.

Sugar makes your blood sticky and more likely to clot. As Harvard Medical School pointed out in February 2014 on their Harvard Health Blog, “Over the course of a 15-year study, participants who took in 25 percent or more of their daily calories as sugar were more than twice as likely to die from heart disease as those whose diets included less than 10 percent added sugar. Overall, the odds of dying from heart disease rose in tandem with the percentage of sugar in the diet and that was true regardless of a person’s age, sex, physical activity level, and body mass index.”

All because of sugar.

SUGAR AND CANCER
Sugar feeds cancer. Numerous studies show that cancer cells can readily metabolize fructose, sparking their growth. That should be enough to stop you in your tracks and make you drop your soda.

All because of sugar.
and inflexible, like a scar. These scars are called advanced glycation end products (AGEs) and show up not only on the skin, but also internally. There is a correlation between these accumulating toxic AGEs and many diseases, including chronic inflammatory diseases, like diabetes, heart disease, cancer, and autoimmune diseases. Research even suggests that fructose is upwards of ten times more proficient than glucose at creating AGEs.

Linda Chaé of Chaé Manufacturing, creator of skin and body products that "do no harm," gives a few of the greatest analogies I’ve ever heard on this topic: “It’s like when you are baking cookies and the dough develops a harder texture than what it was before it was put in the oven. Or, if you leave a rubber band out in the sun, it becomes hard and brittle, causing breakage—this is what also happens to our collagen. These examples illuminate the heat and enzyme breakdown that happens to the skin when large amounts of sugar are consumed. Younger, healthier skin can be achieved by eliminating sugar and a high glycemic diet. Avoiding sugar is one of the single most important rules for looking and feeling younger.”

Linda also points out, “Sugar feeds yeast and bacteria, which contribute to numerous skin conditions, including acne, eczema, psoriasis, and dermatitis.” So the bottom line: That nasty enzyme elastase can be stimulated by consuming sugar. By eliminating sugar, you reduce inflammation, and you reduce the amount and activity of elastase, preventing skin from aging and preventing the onset of wrinkles. Many medicinal plants, as well as many of the powerful phytoneutrients, such as quercetin, found in the Rainbow Juice Cleanse, are thought to do just that! Let’s start youthing!

ARTIFICIAL SWEETENERS
I’m sure it won’t surprise you that I don’t approve of or consume any artificial sweeteners. “If man made it, don’t eat it,” said good ol’ Jack LaLanne. Artificial sweeteners are worse for you than fructose in many ways. They are also neurotoxins, meaning they are toxic to your nervous system—your brain, your spinal cord, and your nerves. The blue packets, the pink packets, the yellow packets—I stay far away from all of them. So should you.
We’ve Come for the Fruit!
Wow! With all this information, it should be obvious that you need to eliminate sugar from your diet now, in all its devilish forms, especially during the Rainbow Juice Cleanse. And I hope you will continue this trend afterward as well! I feel the same way about fruit-only juices: Give them up. Remember that the primary sugar in fruit is fructose. I do not recommend drinking fruit juice, especially store-bought, pasteurized fruit juice, but even if you just made a glass yourself with your own juicer, I’m not a fan. From a healing perspective, and that’s where I come from, it is not ideal. There are so many better and equally delicious options. We just learned how fructose acts in the body, so it shouldn’t be hard to see what that tall glass of orange juice is doing to you.

Fruit and fruit juices seem to be the common go-to foods for someone transitioning to a healthier diet, most often because that person already has a sugar addiction and these are just healthier versions (as I’ve been told by clients) of the same thing. But as with the bad sugars, people also tend to overdo and overeat fruit and fruit juices and consume fewer greens, sprouts, vegetables, and other less fructose-containing healthy foods. (Note: Eating too many fats, as in nuts, is another trap many fall into when transitioning to healthier eating.) Why people aren’t just craving their greens, I will never know, but you will once you overcome your sugar addiction. I know I did.

Fruit today is not the way it was back in the days of the Garden of Eden. Some of our fruit is much bigger, easier to eat, and much, much sweeter (that is, packed with fructose). Over the past two hundred years or so, we, as a society, have played Food God, turning once heavenly health-givers into too much of a sweet thing. We’ve been breeding certain fruits selectively. As a result, grapefruit and seedless (and sterile) watermelons and grapes fill our grocery stores and farmer’s markets today. They are a far cry from their wild and crazy ancestors.

Dr. Clement tells me, “The hybridized fruit of today has, on average, thirty times more sugar than its ancestral forebears.”

### STEVIA: MOTHER NATURE’S MIRACLE SWEETENER
Stevia, derived from Stevia rebaudiana (aka the sweetleaf plant), is a natural sweetener and the only one I recommend in the Rainbow Juice Cleanse, due to its negligible effect on blood glucose. Its glycoside extracts are about three hundred times as sweet as sugar, so it only takes a small amount to produce the same sweetness as sugar. Stevia has been used as a sweetener for centuries in many cultures, including Japan, where today it accounts for 40 percent of the Japanese sweetener market.

Dr. Clement notes, “The sugar and sugar substitute industries have spent millions worldwide on preventing stevia’s entrance into the marketplace. They actually resorted to fabricating propaganda claiming this healthy plant caused diseases like cancer. Only recently has it gained acceptance as a sugar substitute in the United States, but in many countries stevia is still outlawed. If it were not for the giant soda companies, who began to utilize it as a no-calorie additive, it would have been outlawed in the United States as well.”

Stevia comes in several forms—plant, powder, and liquid drops. Does it taste exactly like sugar? No, and don’t expect it to. But as your taste buds balance out, you will come to love it. I especially love the real stevia leaves fresh off the plant, which is very easy to grow. Be cautious of store-bought brands that use stevia along with table sugar or other added ingredients. The fresh stevia leaf, taken directly from the plant, is always best!

For those who choose to purchase it from the store or online, Donna Gates spells out the conversions from sugar to stevia in her book The Stevia Cookbook.

### SUGAR-TO-STEVIA CONVERSIONS

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“The hybridized fruit of today has, on average, thirty times more sugar than its ancestral forebears.”
On top of what we’ve already learned about fructose, that should get you thinking.

Let me make it clear: I’m not banning fruit here. I eat fruit myself, and fruits are part of the Rainbow Juice Cleanse foods and the Rainbow Juice Cleanse recipes. What I am doing is creating the awareness that eating whole fruit, with its fiber and full nutritional and phytonutrient package, is entirely different than drinking a glass of condensed fruit juice or even adding a few pieces of fruit in your veggie juice. This is especially true for someone facing a health challenge (as most of us are today) and for those trying to lose weight.

From a healing and weight loss perspective, try to keep your total fruit consumption between 5 and 10 percent of your total daily calorie intake. The cleaner and healthier you become, the better your body can handle fruits and even fruit juice. But most of us could use the sugar break. Work on building your health through greens and sprouts, soaked and sprouted nuts and seeds, and phytonutrient-rich veggies and their juices. And consume your fruit whole: Don’t juice it!

Avoid Pasteurized Juices

You may be all pumped up and ready to “get your squeeze on” with the Rainbow Juice Cleanse, and that’s terrific! But don’t think running to your local grocery or convenience store and picking up a bottle of juice you find there is going to cut it. I’m sorry to inform you that it won’t. Store-bought juices have many issues, the first of which is that they have been pasteurized.

Commercial juice manufacturers and grocery and convenience-store retailers can thank Louis Pasteur for inventing the commercial pasteurization process. It prevents slow spoilage that is caused by microbial growth and allows for a much longer shelf life and a much higher bottom line for those industries.

But you can’t thank Mr. Pasteur, because this high-heat—almost sterilization—process does nothing for your health or even your bottom line. Heating juice destroys its nutrients, particularly water-soluble, heat-sensitive...
nutrients like vitamin C and all the B vitamins like thiamine (B₁), riboflavin (B₂), niacin (B₃), pantothenic acid (B₅), pyridoxine (B₆), biotin (B₇), folic acid (B₉), and cobalamin (B₁₂), and these are nutrients we definitely want in our juice! Heat also destroys phytonutrients, such as polyphenolics/phenols, as well as all the enzymes found in nature’s foods, essentially giving you a dead juice. Don’t waste your money on pasteurized juices.

**Shop Smart When Choosing Your Produce**

The Environmental Working Group (EWG), a nonprofit, nonpartisan consumer advocacy group, always has loads of great consumer health information on its website, Ewg.org. I particularly like the organization’s yearly analysis of which nonorganic produce is the most laden with pesticides and which is the least.

In 2014, in single samples, EWG researchers found that grapes contained fifteen different pesticides, and cherry tomatoes, celery, and imported snap peas contained thirteen!

According to the EWG, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has not complied in full with the congressional mandate to “assess pesticides in light of their particular dangers to children and to ensure that pesticides posed a reasonable certainty of no harm to children or any other high risk group.” Nor has the EPA complied with the Consumer Right to Know Act, which requires the EPA to publish and distribute consumer information about this in grocery stores (the EPA stopped doing this in 2007). So, for the past decade, the EWG has published this information for consumers in its “Shopper’s Guide to Pesticides in Produce.” Here are the EWG’s latest rankings.

**THE DIRTY DOZEN**

Buy these organic. They are the most pesticide-laden produce tested in 2014.

- Apples
- Celery
- Cherry Tomatoes
- Cucumbers
- Grapes
- Nectarines (imported)
- Peaches
- Potatoes
- Snap Peas (imported)
- Spinach
- Strawberries
- Sweet Bell Peppers

**THE CLEAN FIFTEEN**

Try to buy these organic, but you could get away with not buying these organic in a pinch. No single fruit sample from this list tested positive for more than four kinds of pesticides, which still makes me want to buy them organic or grow my own!

- Asparagus
- Avocados
- Cabbage
- Cantaloupe
- Cauliflower
- Eggplant
- Grapefruit
- Kiwi
- Mangoes
- Onions
- Papayas
- Pineapple
- Sweet Corn
- Sweet Peas, frozen
- Sweet Potatoes

**Juice Fresh, Organic Produce**

The Rainbow Juice Cleanse juices do not require any processing in your body; they are absorbed into your bloodstream very quickly. So it is important to use pesticide-, fungicide-, and herbicide-free produce—that means organic. In addition, it has been found that organic produce contains more nutrients than conventional, chemically “sprayed” produce. I only recommend juicing with organic produce.
Watch Your Grocery Costs Plummet

One of the complaints I hear when I talk to people about eating healthy is that they cannot afford it. I get where they are coming from. Fast-food (or fat food) is cheap. But what you need to understand—and, I assure you, Big Food understands it—is this: Unhealthy food is nutritionally void, leaving you constantly hungry, constantly eating, and constantly purchasing more food. Healthy food, on the other hand, is so nutrient-dense it leaves your body and cells satisfied, so you are not hungry and you purchase less food.

Decipher the PLU Sticker

You know that little sticker you find on the produce you buy? That’s called the PLU sticker, and you need to become an expert at interpreting it. The numbers on the PLU, or the “price look-up” sticker, reveal the most important thing you need to know about your precious food—how it was grown. Was it organically grown, sprayed with toxic chemicals, or genetically modified? See the PLU code rules below.

For example, the sticker on the banana I just bought reads 94011; this means it is organic. If it was sprayed with chemicals, the sticker would say 4011, and if it was genetically modified (and most likely also sprayed with chemicals), the sticker would read 84011.

Armed with this information, you are one step closer to good health.

- **4011**: Four-digit number, usually beginning with a 4 or a 3
  - Conventionally grown, i.e., sprayed with toxic synthetic chemicals, including pesticides, fungicides, and herbicides

- **84011**: Five-digit number, beginning with an 8
  - Genetically modified and may also be sprayed with the above toxic chemicals

- **94011**: Five-digit number, beginning with a 9
  - Organically grown; not genetically modified, so no toxic chemicals were used in its cultivation
THE RAINBOW JUICE CLEANSE

HOW TO SHOP THE RAINBOW

Here are the various types of juicers on the market:

• CENTRIFUGAL JUICER: This popular style of juicer is found in many department and discount stores. It works at high speeds, pushing produce through its shredder disc, grating it, and then expelling the pulp through a strainer basket and squeezing out the juice—much like your washing machine spin cycle. This juicer will not juice wheatgrass, and you must roll leafy greens into a ball and push them through for juicing. This type of juicer tends to have the fastest cleanup, is usually less expensive, and runs at higher RPMs (revolutions per minute), producing juice fast.

• HYDRAULIC PRESS JUICER: This type of juicer slowly presses the juice out of produce and introduces the least amount of oxygen into the juice. Thus, it is said to produce the least amount of oxidation and a very high-nutrient juice.

• WHEATGRASS JUICER: This is specifically for making wheatgrass juice and comes in electric and manual models. This is not for juicing fruits or veggies. Some of the masticator juicers and presses will also juice wheatgrass.

• CITRUS JUICER: This type of juicer is exclusively for juicing citrus fruits, such as oranges and grapefruit, and is not used in this book’s juicing recipes. However, it can be used in some of the food recipes (see chapters 10 to 13). Alternatively, you can juice citrus fruits by hand.

THE RAINBOW JUICE CLEANSE

HOW TO SHOP A JUICER

When buying a juicer, there are two schools of thought:

1. Buy a great-quality juicer that costs a little more, but will last a lifetime.
2. Buy a lower-priced juicer, because if it’s anything like my treadmill, chances are I won’t stick with it.

I’m here to motivate you to stick with it and to make juicing part of your normal, daily routine, even after the cleanse. But I do understand your desire to buy an affordable juicer in the beginning, so as not to make this new venture too costly.

There isn’t any one “right” juicer when you start out. I just want you to buy one you will use! Juicers can range in price from $50 for a low-end model to $2,000 for a commercial-grade juicer found at juice bars, but any juicer can get you started. Choose one that fits your budget and lifestyle. Just realize that over time the motor in an inexpensive juicer will most likely burn out, and you will have to buy another one. In addition, with the very low-priced models, you may have to re-juice the pulp several times to get all the juice out of the fiber. Perhaps the second time around, when you become a veteran “juicer,” you will be ready to invest in a better-quality juicer for your juicing future.

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YOUR BODY IS CONTINUOUSLY PRODUCING TOXINS and metabolic wastes on a daily basis, and your natural detoxification systems can handle this when you eat nature’s diet of mostly raw, organic, alkaline foods. If you’ve been riding a bit too long on the highly toxic Standard American Diet (SAD) train, though, you may encounter a few bumpy patches and layovers along the way to your final destination: the Rainbow. Remember what Dolly Parton says: “If you want the rainbow, you’ve got to put up with the rain.”

American Diet Disasters
Americans have, let’s just say, a puzzling love affair with food. The Standard American Diet (SAD) is characterized by its gluttonous excesses of sugar—particularly fructose—and other refined carbohydrates, trans and saturated fats, mucus-forming dairy, massive amounts of processed meats, acrylamides, aspartame, and MSG, with a piece of pesticide-laden iceberg lettuce and a slice of genetically modified tomato on top. This is certainly a lesson in the value of quantity over quality. Yes, a pretty sad state for the Standard American Diet.
But don’t forget its creative spin-off for the real explorers of food—the State Fair Diet. In this eating regimen, fairgoers choose from tempting “delicacies” like Kool-Aid Pickles, Pop Rocks Doughnuts, Pickle Pops, Beer Gelato, Hot Beef Sundaes, Krispy Kreme Burgers, Beer-Battered Bacon, any kind of food you can imagine on a skewer like Porkabella Kabobs or even Elvis on a Stick. And don’t forget the merciless deep-fried everything, including Deep-Fried Twinkies, Deep-Fried Pineapples, Deep-Fried Bacon, Deep-Fried Bubble Gum, for which fairgoers spend a fortune.

Just reading those lists is enough to make me have a reversal of my own fortune. You would think we would be nutritionally thriving, living in the land of the plenty, but that’s just not the case. The danger of being stuffed has been realized, but so has the danger of being starved.

Deanna Latson, MA, CCN, nutritionist, founder, and chief product officer at Ariix, a company with innovative and leading-edge health and wellness products, points out, “You don’t have to live in a developing country to be starving. We as a nation are overfed and certainly overweight and obese, but we are woefully malnourished. The foods most people subsist on comprise an unnatural diet and empty calories that actually deplete our body’s vital nutrients and leave us constantly walking around hungry.”

Many of our fad diets have the same effect. Whenever my good friend Woodson Gardner was on a diet—and she’s tried them all, from the Thin Mints Diet to the Dude, Where’s My Gut? Diet, even the Let’s Lose the Caboose Diet (I know, where does she find these?)—she would always say to me, “Stay back, girlfriend, I’m on a new diet this week and I’m hangry!” What she meant was she was hungry and angry! I could tell this was not a good combination at all. Her diets were tasteless, super-restrictive, and provided no real nourishment whatsoever (Thin Mints?). She couldn’t stop cheating because she was always hungry. Or hangry, rather. Not a fun way to live.

So when you finally decide you’ve had enough of the Jelly-Belly roller coaster and you want to try the Quit Eating the Crappy Foods Diet or, better yet, the Rainbow Juice Cleanse, you’ll need to jump over a few small hurdles on your way to reaching the treasures at the end of the rainbow.

### The Healing Crisis Explained

On the road to becoming healthier and reaching the pot of gold at the end of the rainbow, it is not uncommon for people to experience what is called a “healing crisis” (also called Herxheimer Reaction), a natural and normal process of “spring cleaning,” so to speak, that your toxic body may experience when you give it a rest from the SAD and begin your healthy eating and juicing journey. When you stop shoveling in heavily processed, pesticide-laden foods and drinks, and you give your cells a breather, they can finally celebrate and begin to unload their wastes into circulation for final elimination.

In addition, a massive die-off and purge of pathogenic organisms (Candida yeast, viruses, bad bacteria) may occur. Some times, however, the debris expulsion is so fast that the organs of elimination—the skin, liver, bladder, kidneys, lungs, sinuses, and GI tract—cannot keep pace. During this period, every system in the body is working to elimin ate toxins and set up for healthy regeneration, so you may experience some cleansing symptoms for a few days.

Keep in mind, the longer the toxins and pathogens stay in your body, the worse your overall health, and the faster you develop disease and gain weight. You have set up the perfect internal environmental storm for disease to thrive and your fat cells to distend so you cannot lose weight. And then, of course, you won’t fit into that Herve Leger bandage dress.

### COMMON DETOX SYMPTOMS

The healing crisis symptoms are unique to each individual and all over the map—some mild, some more severe—and some lucky ducks experience none at all.

Here’s the good, the bad, and the ugly:

**The Ugly:** Worst news first, and this may never happen to many of you, but since your body uses every outlet available to get clean, I need to mention the possibilities. You may feel nauseated. Ugh, not the best feeling in the world, but this can happen.
when you eliminate sugar, caffeine, and other toxins, as they look for their proper exit signs. You may experience a little more frequent bowel activity. OK, that was a nice way of saying possible diarrhea, but if the Big Pipe hasn’t been cleaned in a while, the broom (fibrous fruits and veggies) is surely going to sweep it clean. This is not a bad thing. Stagnant eliminations get reabsorbed back into the bloodstream. Get ‘em out!

You may see skin eruptions. No, this is not the most glamorous part of the healing crisis, but pimples or redness is something you may experience as you eliminate harmful substances from your diet, especially dairy and gluten. It might surprise you to know that high and low emotions may also get stirred up and flushed outward. Your loved ones might find you just a little bit grumpy. If you experience any of these reactions, alert your household members to come out from their hiding places, because the symptoms should diminish after a few days.

Once your blood sugar stabilizes and your body goes through its first round of housecleaning, all these symptoms should subside.

The Bad: You may experience a runny nose as toxins use every available escape route. Let it flow; get it out! Use a neti pot, if you must! You may feel fatigue and low energy, especially if you’re eliminating sugar from your diet; your body is using all its available mojo to rid itself of rubbish. You may have mild headaches, particularly if you are eliminating caffeine (which is highly recommended), as your blood vessels are rebounding back to their normal and healthy circumference, having been forever diluted from the multiple daily cups of Joe or soda caffeine IV drips.

The Good: You’re bursting with energy! You have a strong sense of emotional freedom: You feel clearer, more alert, and in control! You feel cleaner inside and out. You are supercharged and ready to kick-start life! You may not start in this phase, but you certainly should end up here after the cleanse, so everyone should look forward to this.

HELP FOR THE HEALING CRISIS
The Herxheimer Reaction is usually just a bump in the road and resolves itself within a few days. In rare cases, however, if these symptoms are too much to bear, you may need to see your doctor. You may have a previously unknown underlying issue that is rearing its ugly head and needs to be addressed. Most of you, however, will want to slow down the symptoms just a bit or help further facilitate your body’s own natural cleansing systems. There are many steps you can take to do so that will still keep you on track to the rainbow’s pot of gold. Many of these steps are utilized by renowned healing centers and spas.

Start dry skin brushing. Your skin plays a huge role in daily detoxification and receives a third of all the blood that circulates throughout your body. So help it along with a natural bristle brush. You’ll shed dry skin cells, improve vascular and lymphatic circulation, and stimulate nerve endings. This will get the impurities moving along.

Get chiropractic adjustments and acupuncture treatments. Utilizing the body’s innate intelligence, both of these modalities help align and restore the body’s nerve signals and/or energy pathways, bringing your body back in balance. We are vibrations of energy, yet most of us ignore or forget to take care of this vital aspect of our being, which can aid in cleansing and balancing the body as a whole.

Indulge in a massage. Now here’s your excuse to get a massage, and it’s a good one: Think of your muscles, tissues, and organs as sponges holding stagnant wastes. A massage squeezes out those sponges and...
gets those nasty wastes moving and flowing into the circulatory system for a major exodus. Keep calm and go book a massage! Massage day is my favorite day of the week.

Utilize aromatherapy and essential oils. According to the National Association of Holistic Aromatherapy, aromatherapy is “the art and science of utilizing naturally extracted aromatic essences from plants to balance, harmonize, and promote the health of the body, mind, and spirit.” And who doesn’t need all of that during a cleanse? Pick out a scent that appeals to you, or try some of the more well-known calming and detoxifying aromas, like lavender, eucalyptus, or bergamot fruit oil. Place a few drops, mixed in a base oil, on the back of your neck or temples, through your hair, on your pillow, on the bottom of your feet, in a warm bath, or use it as a body lotion—the uses are endless!

Zen out in hot yoga classes. This is one of my favorite past times. You get a killer workout, a big-time sweat detox, stimulation and cleansing of every internal organ, and your mind snags a serene meditative state—all in one hour. I feel like a new woman in an invincible state of bliss when I leave my daily hot yoga class. Give it a try!

Tranquilize in hot epsom salt baths. Epsom salt contains magnesium sulfate, a known detoxifier that will also help ease stress and muscle aches.

Unwind in infrared sauna sessions. Some of the best things in life make you sweat, and this is one of those things. Unlike traditional saunas, infrared saunas heat you, not the air, and it is a totally breathable and bearable heat. The infrared waves penetrate several inches deep into your muscles, increasing the circulation and getting oxygen into tissues and toxins out. Make sure it is also a low-EMF (electromagnetic frequency) sauna. I spend at least thirty minutes in mine, three to five times a week—sometimes more.

Simmer in steam baths. Detoxification of our water-based organs—lungs, kidneys, and bladder—takes place in a steam bath. Utilize geranium rose flower oil or other aromatherapy essential oils while you steam as well.

Luxuriate in whirlpool baths. The whirlpool action puts significant pressure on the lymphatic system, a major part of your immune system, which has no pump to move itself. You have lymph vessels and lymph nodes all over your body that suck metabolic wastes from the extracellular spaces, but the lymph can get congested and stagnant if it doesn’t move. Whirlpool baths promote that circulation. Be sure chlorine or other harmful chemicals aren’t used in the bath. Ozone would be one of the best options.

Jump on a rebounder. This is another excellent mover and shaker of the lymphatic system. Just a twenty-minute session on this personal mini-trampoline should be enough to get your detox machine moving, as you work against consistent gravitational pressure while bouncing.
Perform some kind of exercise. Any time you sweat, including while engaging in mild exercise, you increase your body’s circulation. This prompts your skin, colon, and lymphatic system to release toxins. Those new to cleansing, however, may not be able to maintain their normal energetic pace during the seven-day Rainbow Juice Cleanse, so the decision about whether or not to exercise during this phase should be based on your energy levels and how you feel. Avoid strenuous exercise for sure, and stay well-hydrated. You should, however, be able to go for a brisk walk, jump on the rebounder, or even do some stretching or take a yoga class—at your own pace. But if you feel you must rest during the seven days because you are feeling the effects of the healing crisis, reserve your exercise regimen after the cleanse, when you are bouncing out of bed and feeling up to the task.

Take a colonic. Yes, I know this is a touchy subject for some, and it is certainly not required. But if you’re one of those brave souls who do choose to engage in colon hydrotherapy during the seven-day Rainbow Juice Cleanse, you will notice a difference. Healthy bacteria cannot colonize in a toxic colon, so the removal of long-standing, blocked, toxic waste matter from the colon will allow the good bacteria to recolonize and flourish. After a colonic, your large intestine is better equipped to assimilate nutrients and eliminate toxic wastes quickly and efficiently. Many experience increased energy after a colonic—I know I do.

Get some sun. Exposing our skin to direct sunlight allows it to make that vital nutrient vitamin D, which boosts our immune system and protects us against various cancers. It’s also a great way to commune with nature. Try to get at least fifteen to thirty minutes of sunshine a day; the best way to get vitamin D into your body is on skin without sunscreen. This should give you enough radiation to produce about 10,000 international units of the vitamin. (If you are concerned about sunburn or have any medical concerns, avoid the peak UV periods of the day between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. For times when you spend more than thirty minutes in the sun, Ewg.org has a great list of non-toxic sunscreens you may want to try.)

Drink more clean water. Make sure the water you drink is nonchlorinated, nonfluoridated, filtered water. (I use a water filter with a zeolite wall that attracts bacteria, viruses, parasites, and protozoa and kills them and also destroys heavy metals, chlorine, fluoride, pharmaceuticals, and other toxins. See FatFuneralDetox.com for more information.) Keep the clean water flowing to help carry off toxins. Infuse it with lemons to further increase the elimination effects and get things moving. Carry that filtered lemon water with you everywhere in a BPA-free and phthalate-free bottle (plastic toxins that can seep into the water and your body) and keep flushing!

Eat mildly cooked, healthy foods. Cooked food slows down cleansing, and raw food speeds it up. If you are feeling some of the healing crisis symptoms and want to slow down the cleansing effects, eat some steamed broccoli or some sprouted bread with almond butter to slow down the healing crisis until you feel you can get back on the cleansing train again.

Consume juice-boosting extras. Certain supplements and foods are known to help minimize detox symptoms as well as facilitate cleansing. Many of these can be added to your Rainbow juices or included in the foods you eat. I’ve divided them into two categories: juice-boosting supplements and juice-boosting foods.
JUICE-BOOSTING SUPPLEMENTS

Here are some of the things I look for in good cleansing supplements, all of which can enhance your progress in the Rainbow Juice Cleanse. Add them to your juice or consume separately.

• **ENZYMES**: Found naturally in unprocessed raw fruits, veggies, nuts, seeds, and sprouts, enzymes have many roles in the body. More than three thousand enzymes have been identified. Your pancreas also produces enzymes. Some (called proteolytic enzymes) gobble up debris intracellularly; others (known as digestive enzymes) microchomp your food into highly absorbable chunks extracellularly to aid in digestion. You can also find these enzymes in supplement form. Many people consume them on a daily basis, particularly during a cleanse.

• **HOMEOPATHIC FORMULAS**: Over two hundred years old, homeopathic remedies aid and stimulate the body’s defense and immune responses, and reinforce the body’s own natural healing capacity. You can find some great homeopathic weight-loss formulations on the market—and note, these are hormone-free. Some that I’ve worked with significantly control hunger pangs and overeating, especially during the first few days of the cleanse or during the Rainbow Warm-Up and the Rainbow Rev-Up.

• **PEA PROTEIN, CRANBERRY PROTEIN, or ALMOND PROTEIN POWDER**: These easily digestible powders are high in plant-based proteins and colon-cleansing fiber. In my plant-powered protein powders, I like to incorporate a blend of probiotics (good bacteria that aid in bad pathogen die-off), prebiotics (food for probiotics), and enzymes (to aid in digestion). Look for dairy-free, soy-free, gluten-free, low-glycemic, and genetically modified organism (GMO)-free versions with no artificial colors or flavors, and make sure the product has been heavy-metal-tested (free from mercury, lead, arsenic, and other health-poisoning metals contaminating our food, water, air, and many commercial products).

• **PSYLLIUM HUSKS**: The outer hull of the seeds of the *Plantago ovata* plant, psyllium husks are a soluble fiber that acts like a big broom in your intestines. Be sure to load up on the clean, filtered water when you’re consuming psyllium husks. You can add a scoop to your juice. Psyllium husks absorb water and expand in the intestines, so this supplement scrubs down the intestinal tract as it makes things move out freely. Be sure to use only a small amount (about a tablespoon) and load up on water throughout the day to keep it moving through.

• **SPIRULINA, CHLORELLA, AND AFA (APHANIZOMENON FLOS-AQUAE) FRESHWATER ALGAE**: These superfood algae are incredibly nutrient-dense. They have more protein per serving than any other organism (plant or animal) and provide tremendous nutrition in its simplest form. They help to balance blood sugar, aid in oxygen processing, extract heavy metals, and cleanse and detox the liver, bowel, and bloodstream.

• **ZEOLITE**: Used for hundreds of years throughout Asia, zeolite, a volcanic mineral, has a negatively charged honeycomb structure, which literally traps positively charged harmful elements—such as heavy metals, radioactive chemicals, and even lactic acid from sore, overworked muscles—and eliminates them from the body. Be sure to look for micronized (therapeutic quality), not milled (commercial grade) zeolite.

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THE RAINBOW JUICE CLEANSE

THE RAIN BEFORE THE RAINBOW

• OREGANO: This herb’s oils inhibit the growth of bacteria and Candida, and help clear mucus from the respiratory system, so it’s great for that runny nose you may be experiencing during your healing crisis. Use it in your juices and on your food, and even put a few drops of oregano oil on your toothbrush for a fresh, clean, bacteria-free mouth.

• SEA VEGETABLES: These veggies are high in protein and easily absorbable, plus they’re alkaline, and filled with bone-building trace minerals. Add a teaspoon of dulse, kelp, alaria, laver, nori powder, or any other veggie of the sea in place of salt or as a great flavor enhancer. Powerful sources of iodine and chlorophyll, sea veggies have a mucilaginous fiber that stabilizes blood sugar and hauls heavy metals from the body.

• SPROUTS: Sprouting releases loads of nutrients that would normally stay dormant in the seed, creating an incredible, living superfood! Anytime a seed is about to grow into a plant, it has the most nutrition it will ever have in that one little inch-long (2.5 cm) sprout. Take advantage of that, and use sprouts everywhere! I’m not talkin’ boring alfalfa sprouts, either. I’m talkin’ sunflower sprouts, broccoli sprouts, pea sprouts, cabbage sprouts, radish sprouts, wheatgrass sprouts—the list goes on and on. Do a little research, and get those sprouts in your juice and in your daily diet.

Here’s how to sprout: Put the nuts/seeds/legumes in a mason jar, fill it with filtered water, and put on an airtight lid. Let it sit overnight or for a few hours so the water can soak in. Strain the water off (you can use a mason jar sprouting lid for this) and fill the jar with filtered water once again to rinse your nuts/seeds/legumes. Then discard the water. Put the jar top-side down and place it in the refrigerator in a bowl or tray or some-thing that can catch any dripping, excess water. Rinse and drain the nuts/seeds/legumes every six hours or so (this timing doesn’t have to be exact—just rinse them twice a day) for one to four days, or until you see the sprouts start to pop. Store them in the fridge and enjoy them on salads, in juices, or as added super-nutrients in any of your meals.
ONCE YOU HAVE INFUSED YOUR BODY with lush foods and liquid sunshine juices, scraped the sludge from your pipes, and developed a new attitude and mind-set—game on! Your pot of gold awaits you! Wonderful things are happening!

This is what you have to look forward to. Read it now so you know what to expect. Use it as motivation throughout the Rainbow Juice Cleanse, but be sure to come back to it after the cleanse, read it again, and see how many apply to you! You may even have some new treasures of your own to add.

Let’s open that treasure chest now.
Weight Loss and Inches Lost

OMG! You just tried on that dress, that shirt, or those skinny jeans, and now they fit! Just one week ago you looked like a stuffed sausage in them, and now you can at least feel good wearing them in public. If you continue eating the Rainbow Juice Cleanse foods and following the Rainbow recipes, along with drinking a Rainbow juice on a daily basis, those clothing items might actually become too big! Imagine that! It’s certainly possible—it happened to me! No more diets; no more counting calories. This is your new way of life.

Your system is clean; you’ve jumped on the weight loss train; and that train is moving at full speed ahead! If you eat the way you’ve always eaten, you will have the body you have always had—there’s no way around it! So end the vicious cycle now.

Taste Bud Transformation

Your taste buds have reset! Having been off processed foods for at least a week now, you will notice, if you slip back into an old food or drink habit, the foods and drinks you previously relished just don’t taste right anymore. Don’t go back! This is your inner voice (and your taste buds) screaming, “No more!” Don’t slither back to the dark side. You have given your body the chance to finally appreciate real, clean, natural food, and it’s thanking you!

Blood Sugar Balancing

There is no doubt that your blood sugar has stabilized. This program delivers a solid right hook to the sugar demons. If you are following the program, your blood sugar should become stable within just a few days. It’s liberating not to feel those manic highs and terrible lows throughout the day, and not to be running to find your next sugar fix for a quick pick-me-up.

Increased Energy and Improved Men’s Stamina

You are bouncing off the walls with energy! You are crushing it in your workouts! You feel exhilarated and liberated, and you are totally addicted to this new path to abundant health. You want to learn more about this way of living and plan to immediately cut down on your consumption of bad foods you may still be hanging on to (coffee; that chocolate bar you pick up while you’re in line at the grocery store; the bag of chips you eat while watching The Biggest Loser). If you’re a man, you may also have noticed improved stamina in the bedroom. Hmm, think about it: Erectile dysfunction is nothing but heart disease in another location (you know where), so if you have a detoxed body and clean blood, it can flow everywhere! And women, if you like the sound of that, get your man on the program with you now!
Dramatically Improved Skin
I love this one. When you consume Rainbow foods and juices, your skin will totally glow! Your skin cells turn over pretty fast, so if you give your body nourishing food, the next batch of skin cells you make will be nourished, glowing, and as soft as a baby’s bottom. If you experienced some skin eruptions during the cleanse, remember that this is your body pushing out impurities and toxins by every means possible. Keep the toxins flowing, and there will soon come a day when people stop you on the street and ask you, “What do you use on your skin? It’s glowing!” It happens to me all the time.

Emotional Stabilization and Mental Clarity
Once you get off the sugar roller coaster and have stable blood sugar, a sense of emotional balance and mental focus takes over. Keep in mind, it took years to toxify your body, so it may take some time to work through the deeper layers of muck. It’s like peeling an onion, and, thanks to you, the first layer is now long gone. The next layer may push out more than just old Doritos and birthday cake; it may push out some unexpected emotions as well. For many, this cleanse can be an emotional journey and transformation. This is common when the body undergoes a cleanse. Those emotions you stuffed away with that chocolate milk shake, supersized fries, and apple pie on the way to pick up your kids from school now desperately need an escape route so you can feel at peace again and in line with your new lifestyle. Go for a run, do some hot yoga, take a CrossFit class, or just cry it out. Let those old emotions go and make way for happy!

Overall Body Balancing
When you feed your body the proper foods and it finally gets nourishment at a cellular level, as you do in the Rainbow Juice Cleanse, your body’s systems become balanced and operate optimally. I’ve seen it happen over and over again. You may notice that various symptoms you had in the past are no longer apparent or are starting to dissipate fast. Chronic issues resolve. If you are taking any kind of medication, do not stop taking it on your own. Be sure to work with your doctor, as there are many medications that have to be tapered down slowly. If your health begins to improve and you see great results on your bloodwork (as I expect), your doctor should be very happy and willing to work with you on getting you off your meds.

Improved Spirituality and Deeper Connections
Raw, unprocessed foods and juices have an energy, a vibration, and an aura to them that is not found in dead, processed foods. You may feel that your connections to the earth, God, and others have deeper meaning, and you may feel more. Eating and drinking the rainbow may feel innately right to you. Go with it; explore it more. This is the perfect time to make quiet time for yourself, get centered, and turn off the constant static of life.

Supreme Confidence
Look at yourself! You are hot! And many of you are wearing your skinny jeans now! But even if you haven’t reached your final weight-loss goal or those skinny jeans don’t fit you quite right just yet, keep going. You have made great progress, and you are just bursting with pride! Confidence is the best accessory and a powerful force. They say, “It ain’t what they call you; it’s what you answer to,” and you will be answering to the “OMG, you got hot” comment from someone, for sure. Confidence is beautiful; insecurity is ugly; and when you feel good about yourself, everything changes. This is the foundation of all great success. Don’t lose this feeling. Don’t go back to your old habits, even if you are having a bad day. You know what to do now. And know you are loved—I love you—and I want you to thrive in your new body and your new natural lifestyle! Hooray for you!

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NOW THAT YOU HAVE SOME EDUCATED BACKGROUND information under your belt, it’s time to learn the details of the program options and what to do next to get to the end of that rainbow.

- The Weigh-In

Yes, the dreaded weigh-in. You won’t, however, dread it in a week. In fact, if you continue to consume the Rainbow Cleanse juices, foods, and recipes, and make them more a part of your lifestyle than the foods you may be currently eating, you will love weigh-in days!

Keep in mind that the scale measures everything—all your muscles, bones, organs, fat, the meal you just ate, the meal you shouldn’t have eaten, the meal you are thinking about eating, and even the glass of water you just drank. So each time you weigh yourself, be sure to weigh in at the same time of day, preferably first thing in the morning before you have consumed any food or drink.
THE RAINBOW JUICE CLEANSE PROGRAM

THE TWO-WEEK RAINBOW WARM-UP

If you have a health challenge or are not quite ready to give up your unhealthy food habits all at once, this may be the phase for you. The Rainbow Warm-Up begins the taste-bud transition by introducing the Rainbow Cleanse juices, one each day, but allows you to continue with much of your usual diet. However, it is strongly recommended that you start making positive changes toward a healthier diet during this warm-up period. Here, we slowly introduce the dietary color concept of the revolutionary Rainbow Cleanse juices, Rainbow Cleanse foods, and Rainbow Cleanse recipes as you start to crave more and more of the rainbow and its magical phytonutrients. If you are starting to get hangry, keep in mind that this phase is not necessarily about eating less. When you are hungry, or even hangry, eat. This phase is about eating better, getting away from dead, acidic food, and finally starting to nourish your body at the cellular level.

Measuring Up with an Unexpected Tool

Your success isn’t just about what it says on the scale. Your inches (cm) lost may trump your pounds (kg) lost in measuring your success. Many times, especially if you are exercising, you will see a loss in inches (cm) before you see a loss in pounds (kg). Don’t worry: Measuring up doesn’t have to require any fancy equipment, not even a tape measure (unless you prefer to take measurements). We are going to perform the “Skinny Jeans Test.” Simply pull out those skinny jeans that haven’t fit you since your Jane Fonda workout video days and try them on. If that is just too horrifying a thought, pull out that dress that splits open and pops off a button every time you button it up and breathe. Squeeze yourself into that item of clothing, and note how it feels and how it can’t button or zip up. Torturous, I know.

Now maybe even take a picture of yourself in that outfit. Oh, come on, it’s not that bad! Wait and see what happens in a week and more! This is probably the worst part of the entire program, and now you are done. The next time you put those jeans on, they are going to feel different—and better! I know this step can be incredibly frustrating, but, as alternative-medicine advocate Deepak Chopra, MD, says, “All great changes are preceded by chaos.” You will be making some great changes with this program, and clothing can be a very useful and very motivating tool in tracking your weight-loss progress during the cleanse.

Getting with the Program

This is a juice cleanse, a detox, a fast, and for many that may seem a bit daunting. So, for those who have never undertaken a cleanse before or for those who have never gone more than a few hours without satisfying their oral fixation with solid food, I offer two phases to transition yourself into the full-on, seven-day Rainbow Juice Cleanse.

The idea is for you to make your digestive system, your body, your scale, and, most likely, your doctor very happy by starting to eat less from the box and more from the earth. Let’s ease into the concept of eating real food, not heavily processed food. Start off simply by incorporating some of the Rainbow foods (page 173) and Rainbow recipes (page 121) in place of what you are currently eating. But always have one Rainbow Cleanse juice (page 89) each day as a snack, or even—if you dare—a meal replacement. You may or may not lose weight during this learning curve phase (but still do the “Skinny Jeans Test”).

Many times, especially if you are exercising, you will see a loss in inches (cm) before you see a loss in pounds (kg).
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Note: Don’t go overboard on the fruits, fatty fruits (avocados, olives), nuts, and seeds (and their milks, butters, and cheeses) when transitioning off the Standard American Diet. For many, these are the go-to, healthier, “comfort” foods. Yes, they are healthy and they can certainly be a part of your diet, but you want to try to move more to the greens, sprouts, superfoods, veggies, and veggie juices to achieve optimal health, to curb sugar cravings, to detox, and to promote weight loss.

The One-Week Rainbow Rev-Up

If you are starting the Rainbow Rev-Up phase, you have either successfully completed the Rainbow Warm-Up, or you are a daredevil who is ready to cut the cord and ditch your old habits all at once. Either way, I am proud of you!

The Rainbow Rev-Up phase speeds up the transition process quite a bit by utilizing only the Rainbow Cleanse juices for seven days, and also incorporating only the Rainbow Cleanse foods, which are light, phytonutrient-rich, delicious, and full of vibrant color. The Rainbow Cleanse foods allow you to munch on a wide range of scrumptious, colorful, raw, organic, easy-to-digest, health-giving, disease-busting, and weight loss-promoting foods—does it get any better than that? This allows your digestive system to transition off the overly cooked and processed foods you may have been consuming. You can consume breakfast, lunch, dinner, snacks, and desserts from the Rainbow Cleanse foods list and from the scrumptious recipes provided. You can expect to start reaping the weight loss, pH balancing, detoxifying, energy-increasing, and disease-busting benefits in this phase.

On days 1-3, consume only the Rainbow Cleanse foods, recipes, and juices. On day 4, consume only Rainbow Cleanse juice (all day), and then resume the foods and juices on days 5–7. This one-day juice fast in the middle of the week gives the digestive system a rest and helps in transitioning to the Rainbow Juice Cleanse itself. After seven days on the Rainbow Rev-Up, you can completely shift to the full-on, seven-day, all-juice Rainbow Juice Cleanse.

So here’s what to do over the next two weeks during The Rainbow Warm-Up:

1. Weigh in and skinny jeans up. Record your findings in a notebook, no matter how shocking or depressing.
2. Give up at least one bad habit each day—soda, coffee, ice cream, fried fish, French fries—whatever vices you are finally ready to abandon. Write down the changes you make over the next two weeks.
3. Start eating more foods from the Rainbow foods list, and preparing them with the least amount of processing possible. Remember, the more processed a food is, the less nutrition it possesses; the more toxins it contains, the more toxic you become; the harder it is to lose weight, the more depressed you become; the more you hit the drive-through, the less likely your fat feet will fit in your Louboutins. Your old ways simply won’t open new doors or get you any glamorous new shoes.
4. Incorporate some of the Rainbow food recipes into your daily diet as you taper off the foods that little voice inside your head always tells you you shouldn’t be eating. There are delicious recipes for breakfast, lunch, dinner, and snacks to choose from. You can start with dessert, if you must—just start somewhere! You won’t feel deprived!
5. Drink one Rainbow Cleanse juice each day. You can choose from the twenty options provided.
6. Stop complaining. If you are reading this book, you know you have to make some changes! Based on twenty years of experience, I know that if you change some of your habits, over time you will end up disliking some of the very food vices you right now consider your favorites. You will develop new favorites. So don’t give up: Your stomach shouldn’t be a wastebasket. Remember that the difference between try and triumph is a little oomph. So, give yourself a little oomph, and get your booty moving! This is your chance. Go pick out some recipes and eat!
7. If you get hungry, just eat more, but try your best to eat or drink from the Rainbow foods list and the Rainbow recipes.
8. After the two weeks are up, weigh in, skinny jeans up, celebrate, and move on to the Rainbow Rev-Up phase.
The Seven-Day Rainbow Juice Cleanse

Congratulations! You have either worked your way up to this final phase, or you are just ready to jump in feet first. Regardless, you are about to embark on an exciting seven-day cleansing journey. I love your spirited nature! You are all-in!

During the Rainbow Juice Cleanse, you will be consuming only phytonutrient-loaded, low-glycemic Rainbow Cleanse juices for seven days, and you will reap the rainbow of benefits. Drink one color of the rainbow each day to supercharge your body with the predominant phytonutrient family of that day’s juice color. Consume only Rainbow Cleanse foods and recipes four days before beginning this phase to allow the digestive system to transition away from cooked and/or processed foods. Your body needs light and easily digestible foods to ease into and out of the full-on juice cleanse.

You will consume the Rainbow foods and recipes for four days after the cleanse, as well, to ease back onto solid foods. The Rainbow rewards kick in full force during this cleanse, unveiling the pot of gold: detoxifying your body, combating disease, banishing the signs of aging, gaining energy, and achieving the ultimate in weight loss—reaching your seven-pound goal in seven days. If you follow a healthy diet and/or have performed cleanses in the past, I encourage you to jump right in to the seven-day Rainbow Juice Cleanse phase.

Here is your schedule for the next seven days on THE RAINBOW REV-UP:

1. Weigh in and skinny jeans up. Record your findings in a notebook. Be sure to record your weight each day. In addition, keep a daily food and juice journal to track your progress.

2. Consume at least one Rainbow juice per day. On day 1, start with a red juice; day 2, orange; day 3, yellow; day 4, green; day 5, blue/indigo/violet. You can have more than one juice each day, if you choose, just keep them all the same color during that particular day. On days 6 and 7, you choose what color juice you wish to have that day. You can choose colors you found to be your favorites, but I encourage you to boldly go where no one has gone before and choose a juice you haven’t had yet during the week, so as to flood your body with as much varied nutrition as possible. You can drink your juice first thing in the morning to get you going, as a midafternoon pick-me-up, or even as a meal replacement, and you can have more than one a day, if you are feeling adventurous.

3. The rest of the food you will be consuming throughout the day will come only from the Rainbow foods list or the Rainbow recipes. Pick out foods that appeal to you, but try not to eat the same thing each day. This is not meant to be a restrictive phase, so when you are hungry, eat! Just be sure to stick with a wide variety of unprocessed, nourishing, and very easy-to-digest, blood sugar–stabilizing Rainbow foods and Rainbow recipes. These are designed to detoxify your body and prepare your digestive system for the seven-day Rainbow Juice Cleanse.

4. If you get hungry, eat! But only from the approved foods, recipes, and juices lists.

5. Day 4 is your first experiment with an all-day (one-day) juice cleanse. Don’t be afraid. You can drink as many juices throughout the day as you desire from the twenty available Rainbow juices, or you can stick with the day 4 green theme. You should not be hungry or hangry. If you are, drink!

6. To recap, consume Rainbow foods, Rainbow recipes, and Rainbow juices on days 1–3 and days 5–7. Consume only Rainbow juices on day 4.

7. Weigh in, skinny jeans up, and celebrate!

8. Once you’ve completed the seven-day Rainbow Rev-Up, it’s off to the seven-day Rainbow Juice Cleanse!
After the Cleanse and Over the Rainbow

If you love your new transformation—don’t stop! You have invested in your hot little self this far, and you are on the right track! The Rainbow Juice Cleanse foods, recipes, and juices are a very healthy way of living. In fact, you can do this cleanse again in another six months. In the meantime, you can even do what many healing centers advise: Cleanse one day a week with nothing but fresh, organic juices. You can also incorporate juices each day along with all the healthy foods and recipes. Don’t lose the progress you just gained!

Now that you have lost weight, booted the sugar cravings, and feel totally in control, focus on losing the mindset and the unhealthy lifestyle that got you there in the first place. Your new healthy habits can be just as addicting as your old ones, but with much better side effects: more energy, great health, glowing skin, and don’t forget that feeling when you were able to slide into those skinny jeans. Not much feels better than that. This is what it feels like to be over the rainbow! Being truly healthy is not about constantly counting calories and feeling hungry and deprived; it’s about cleansing and then nourishing your body with real food, as untainted by food manufacturers as possible, so you are energized, satiated, feeling confident, and ready to take life’s bull by the horns! Isn’t that what life is all about, anyway?

Here are some additional tips to help you on your Rainbow journey:

Juice those leafy greens. When juicing leafy greens, you quickly discover that they spin through your juicer (particularly in a centrifugal juicer), oftentimes without even juicing. The trick is to roll a handful of the leaves (spinach, romaine, etc.) into a tight ball and then push it through, so the juicer has something to “catch” as it juices.

Your new healthy habits can be just as addicting as your old ones, but with much better side effects.

Note: Leafy greens work very well in a blender when making the smoothies in this book.
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Consume at least thirty-two ounces each day for optimal health. In order to get the most from your juicing, you need to infuse your body with enough juice, especially during the cleanse. Don’t just make six or eight ounces (177–236 ml) and call it a day. Instead, work up to consuming a minimum of thirty-two ounces (946 ml) of juice throughout the day.

Understand your tainted taste buds. If you’ve been eating the Standard American Diet for a while, your taste buds have become accustomed to sugary, salty, and chemically enhanced foods. So your initial sip of a veggie juice may taste a bit odd. Stick with it. Once you cleanse your body and detoxify it of all chemical and synthetic additives, your taste buds will bounce back to life, and you will once again appreciate all of nature’s foods as you were meant to!

Use a straw. In the beginning, you may find it best to use a straw to drink your juice. Again, those tainted taste buds play tricks on your innate tendencies to crave nature’s foods, but this will subside and before long you will be chewing your juice.

Chew your juice. Once your taste buds have reset and you don’t feel you need a straw to drink your juice, swish it around in your mouth and chew your juice—yes, chew—to stimulate the enzyme salivary amylase to begin the digestive process. Carbohydrate digestion begins in the mouth, and this will aid in adequate digestion.

Drink your juice soon after it’s made. Due to the oxidation process, which causes a loss of nutrients, it is best to consume your juice fresh and not long after you make it. We all know that when we slice open an apple and don’t eat it immediately, it turns brown. This is the oxidation process in action. This also happens to your fresh-made Rainbow juice, although it’s harder to tell because the juice is a vibrant color. My good friend Lenore Vassil likes to tell her disciples to “drink your green juice within fifteen minutes, or it loses its magic.”

Store your juice properly. If you cannot drink all your juice right after making it or if you are making a big batch to use throughout the day, be sure to store the juice in an airtight container, filling it all the way to the top. That way, no oxygen can get in. This will help to minimize oxidation. Then store it in the refrigerator.

Try some juice-boosting extras. Increase the nutrition of your juices even more by adding a juice-boosting extra (see pages 62–65).

Reuse the fiber. The fiber that comes out of the end of your juicer can be reused in various ways and does not need to be thrown out. You can compost it, mix it into your dog’s food (dogs need fiber, too), or do what my friend Chef Terry Botel (author of Vegan Up) from Switzerland does, and add it to soups, salads, or other recipes (for example, use carrot pulp in raw carrot cake). Keep in mind that if you are using a low-end juicer, these often do not have the power to “pull” as much juice from the produce as the higher-end models. So you may want to rejuice the pulp several times if it feels wet to extract as much juice from it as possible.

Juice in your workplace. I have worked with countless clients who juice at the workplace. Many companies have a breakroom and will purchase a juicer for their employees to use while at work. Just bring your own organic veggies with you, and your new daily juicing routine won’t be interrupted. You may even inspire your coworkers to forgo the coffee and juice with you.

Juice when traveling. With a little preplanning, it is still possible to keep up with your juicing routine while you’re traveling so you don’t feel tempted to buy pasteurized juice. Go online and scope out the local health food stores in the area you will be visiting, as well as healthy restaurants. In some cities, you will see “raw food” restaurants that will know exactly what a raw veggie juice is and will be happy to serve you theirs.

Another great way to keep up your juicing regimen while traveling is with organic green powders. These are organic greens that have been dehydrated and blended into a fine powder. You can purchase these at your local health food store. Simply mix a spoonful of green powder in a glass of filtered water, stir, and drink. Many of my clients keep a container of green powder

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in their desk drawer at work for a quick pick-me-up snack when there is no time for lunch or real juicing.

**Juice when dining out.** Dining out during any of the phases of the Rainbow Juice Cleanse is not difficult; it just requires a little extra thought—and your health is worth it! Here are some tips to help you keep up with the program while dining out:

1. **Try to choose a restaurant with a varied menu and one you know will have the right options for you.** Regardless of where you go, stick to the approved foods list (pages 174–80). You know what you should be eating. Just do it!

2. **Plan ahead.** Check out the restaurant’s menu online, so you know ahead of time what you will order.

3. **Make a special request.** I do this often. You are always safe with a large veggie salad. Ask the waiter to make a big bowl of greens with all the veggies they have in the kitchen—I call it the “Kitchen Sink Salad.” They are usually happy to accommodate.

4. **Watch out for dressings and sauces.** This is where dining out can rain on your rainbow. Avoid creamy dressings and sauces, as well as toppings like bacon bits and (fried) croutons. You can ask for an orange or a lime and squeeze the juices over your salad or even bring your own dressing or sea veggies to add to the salad.

5. **Order several veggie side dishes or a veggie-based soup, but ask the chef not to add salt.**

6. **Wear your skinny jeans or an item of clothing that either fits you just right or may be a little snug or form-fitting.** This may prevent you from overeating, especially if you go to an all-you-can-eat restaurant.
ALL THE RAINBOW CLEANSE JUICES in this chapter require a juicer, unless otherwise indicated. If this is your first time making veggie juices, and you feel they are too strong for your Standard American Diet-programmed taste buds, you can dilute them by adding a milder-tasting cucumber to the mix or even filtered water. You can also add some lemon, lime, or stevia to sweeten them. Or just stick a straw in it and suck it down within twenty minutes of making it, and let it do its magic!

Note: Juicing the rind of citrus fruits is totally acceptable; in fact, some studies have shown that antioxidants in citrus peels are twenty times more powerful than the juice. But, for some, the oils can be tough on the stomach. So perhaps try half the peel and see how you respond, and only juice the rind if you are using an organic lemon or lime (which you should be). Here we go!
A Taste of Italy

Flush your body with a taste of Italy, and bathe your cells in heart-protective phytonutrients and loads of vitamins A and C, as you savor the flavors and aromas of the Old Country. Load up on more cilantro if you like the taste; it’s a whole-body detoxifier.

SERVES 1

4 large tomatoes, sliced in half
2 red bell peppers, cored and seeded
½ handful parsley
½ handful cilantro
½ handful oregano
¼ small onion, peeled
2 garlic cloves (or to taste), peeled

After juicing:
Dulse and kelp flakes, to taste
Stevia, to taste (optional)

Juice all the ingredients. Pour into a glass, add the dulse and kelp flakes and stevia (if desired), and “cin cin”!
Apple Cider Lime Tonic

No juicer needed with this healing tonic made from raw, unpasteurized, fermented apples, proven to lower blood glucose levels. This tonic also includes lime juice for a big shot of easily absorbable vitamin C and flavonol glycosides, shown to stop cell division in various cancers. You will definitely feel its energizing effects!

SERVES 1

1 cup (200 ml) filtered water, very cold, or 1 cup (200 ml) coconut water
2 teaspoons (10 ml) apple cider vinegar, raw, organic, and unpasteurized (I like Bragg’s)
Juice from two limes (squeezed by hand)

Pour cold, filtered water into a large glass, add the apple cider vinegar, and add about half the lime juice. Give it a taste test. If you are satisfied, drink up; otherwise, add the rest of the lime juice and enjoy!

Rhubarb Gingerade

Tart rhubarb is packed with vitamin K and bioavailable calcium, necessary for healthy bone growth, along with vitamin C and vitamin A. It’s known to help lower the bad cholesterol. The potent compounds called gingerals, found in the gingerroot, are known for relieving arthritis pain and overall inflammation.

SERVES 1

1 stalk red rhubarb, roughly chopped
(1 Note: Do not juice the leaves. Choose ripe, deeply colored stalks.)
½ head red cabbage, roughly chopped
1½ inch (4 cm) fresh gingerroot, unpeeled

After juicing:
Fresh mint leaves, crushed
Stevia, to taste (optional)

Juice the rhubarb, red cabbage, and gingerroot. Then add the mint. Add stevia, if desired, and enjoy the pleasant pucker!
Red Pepper-Mint Juice

Restore and rejuvenate yourself with this soothing, minty juice, containing vitamin E, manganese, and over thirty known members of the carotenoid phytonutrient family! Impressive!

SERVES 1

2 red bell peppers, cored and seeded
2 stalks celery, roughly chopped
1 inch (2.5 cm) fresh gingerroot, unpeeled

After juicing:
Fresh mint leaves, crushed
Stevia, to taste (optional)

Run the red peppers, celery, and gingerroot through the juicer. Pour the juice in a glass along with a crunched up handful of mint and add stevia, if desired.
Autumn Sunrise

Awaken your groggy eyes in the morning with this mild but sweet and vibrant juice. It harnesses anti-inflammatory carotenoids and immune-boosting vitamins C, A, and B₆.

SERVES 1

2 orange bell peppers, cored and seeded
1 large cucumber, cut into chunks

After juicing:
Dried cilantro
Stevia, to taste (optional)

Juice the peppers and cucumber. Pour into a glass and then add cilantro and stevia, if desired.
Cinnamon Pumpkin Pie

Fragrant and sweet, this juice is loaded with potassium, pantothenic acid, magnesium, vitamin C, and alpha- and beta-carotene from the pumpkin. Cinnamon contributes high manganese, plus anticlotting, anti-inflammatory, blood sugar-stabilizing, and triglyceride-lowering effects.

SERVES 1

2 cups (400 ml) chopped pumpkin pulp
¼ teaspoon (1.3 ml) ground ginger or 2 inches (5 cm) fresh gingerroot, unpeeled

After juicing:
¼ teaspoon (1.3 ml) ground cinnamon
Stevia, to taste

Juice the pumpkin pulp and gingerroot, and pour into a glass. Add cinnamon and stevia.

Minty Pepper Orange Juice

This simple yet refreshing drink is loaded with over thirty different members of the phytonutrient carotenoid family, as well as vitamins A and C.

SERVES 1

3 orange bell peppers, cored and seeded
1 head white endive, cut into chunks

After juicing:
Fresh mint leaves, crushed

Juice the peppers and endive, and pour into a glass. Add the mint leaves, and enjoy!
Indian Spiced Cauliflower

Loaded with the phytonutrient glucosinolate from the cruciferous cauliflower and potent anti-inflammatory, anticancer properties of the turmeric, this natural liver and kidney cleanser is also packed with debris-digesting enzymes for excellent cleansing support. Don’t forget the pepper; the piperine in it is needed to help increase the absorption of the turmeric.

SERVES 1

1 head cauliflower, cut into chunks
¼ lemon
1 inch (2.5 cm) fresh gingerroot, unpeeled
2 inches (5 cm) turmeric root, unpeeled, or 1 teaspoon (5 ml) turmeric powder

After juicing:
Black pepper, to taste
Coriander, to taste
Cumin, to taste

Juice the cauliflower, lemon, and gingerroot. Add the turmeric root as well, or if using turmeric powder, add it to the finished juice. Pour the juice into a glass, and sprinkle in desired amounts of the black pepper, coriander, and cumin.
Thai One on Tonic

Topped off with the delicate and refreshing flavor of lemongrass, this zucchini-based juice is packed with lutein and zeaxanthin, which support the eyes against age-related macular degeneration and cataracts. It’s also packed with many of the B vitamins, zinc, magnesium, and omega-3s, which promote healthy sugar metabolism, helping with blood sugar stabilization.

SERVES 1

½ head cauliflower, cut into chunks
2 zucchini or yellow summer squash, cut into chunks
1 inch (2.5 cm) fresh gingerroot, unpeeled

After Juicing:
1¼ teaspoons (7.5 ml)
very finely grated lemongrass
Fresh basil leaf

Juice the cauliflower, zucchini, and gingerroot, and pour into a glass. Garnish with lemongrass and basil.
Cha Cha Cha Chia Summer Delight

Chia seeds are prized for their energy-sustaining, anti-inflammatory, detoxifying and high-protein properties, as well as for being high in omega-3s. This juice is also bursting with the antioxidants vitamin C and manganese, known for helping the body produce healthy collagen and essential for wound healing.

SERVES 1

2 zucchini or yellow summer squash, cut into chunks
½ lemon
After juicing:
2 teaspoons (10 ml) chia seeds
Stevia, to taste

Juice the zucchini and lemon. Pour the juice into a glass, and add the chia seeds and stevia. Stir and enjoy.

Pot of Yellow Pepper Gold

You’ve reached the pot of gold with this juice. Loaded with vitamins A, B, and C; magnesium, copper, potassium, and manganese; and phytonutrients like zeaxanthin, beta-cryptoxanthin, and lutein, it’s satisfying to both your taste buds and your blood sugar, as well as beneficial to your eye and retinal health.

SERVES 1

1 yellow winter squash, cut into chunks
3 yellow bell peppers, cored and seeded
1 inch (2.5 cm) fresh gingerroot, unpeeled
After juicing:
Juice from two limes (squeezed by hand)

Juice the squash, peppers, and gingerroot. Pour into a glass, and add the lime juice.
Creamed Yellow Pepper

Loaded with vitamin K, one of the hallmark anti-inflammatory nutrients, as well as omega-3s, vitamins C and E, and heart-healthy phytonutrients, this juice offers great cardiovascular support, keeping the arteries clean and the blood flowing!

Serves 1

1 head cauliflower, chopped into chunks
2 yellow bell peppers, cored and seeded
1 lime

Juice the cauliflower, peppers, and lime (rind on lime is optional). Pour into a glass, and enjoy.
Cabbage Patch Greens

Made with spinach, one of the top nutrient-rich greens, and cucumber, whose alkalizing and detoxifying properties are well known, this juice is also filled with some of the most powerful antioxidants found in cruciferous veggies, thanks to its ulcer-relieving, bad cholesterol-lowering green cabbage and broccoli.

SERVES 1

¼ wedge green cabbage, cut into chunks
2 stalks broccoli, cut into chunks
1 cucumber, cut into chunks
Large handful spinach leaves
Small handful parsley
Small handful basil leaves

Juice the cabbage, broccoli, and cucumber. Roll the spinach, parsley, and basil into a ball and run them through the juicer. Pour into a glass, and drink up.
**Kale Lemon Aid**

Light and refreshing, this lemonade features kale, the queen of greens, and is jam-packed with highly absorbable anticancer phytonutrients; vitamins A, C, and K; the minerals copper, potassium, iron, and manganese; and sun-kissed chlorophyll.

SERVES 1

1 head green endive, cut into chunks
1 cucumber, cut into chunks
5 green kale leaves
¼ lemon with the peel
2 inches (5 cm) fresh gingerroot, unpeeled

*After Juicing:*
Lemon slice

Juice the endive and cucumber. Roll the kale leaves into a ball so the juicer has something to catch, and run them through the juicer. Juice the lemon and gingerroot. Garnish the finished juice with a lemon slice, and knock it back!

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**Green Fennel Cooler**

This juice contains very light and cleansing ingredients that are full of vitamin C, beta-carotene, and folate, as well as electrolytes like potassium and phosphorus. The fennel greens, known to reduce water retention and ease stomach cramps, contain the oil anethole, which gives this juice a really refreshing aftertaste.

SERVES 1

1 cucumber, cut into chunks
½ green zucchini, cut into chunks
½ yellow summer squash, cut into chunks
Large bunch fennel greens

*Juice all the ingredients, pour into a glass, and lap it up.*
Hippocrates Health Institute’s Famous Green Juice

My favorite juice of all time—and an alkaline nutritional powerhouse at that!—this juice delivers the right hook to a toxic body. The high-protein sprouts are more nutritious than your most nourishing veggies, so enjoy them in this juice and add them to others for extra nutrients. Add the garlic and/or ginger for added nutritional properties.

SERVES 1 (BIG GULP SIZE)

3 stalks celery, roughly chopped
1½ cucumbers, cut into chunks
2 cups (400 ml) sunflower sprouts
2 cups (400 ml) pea green sprouts
Juice from 1 garlic clove, peeled, or 1 inch (2.5 cm) fresh ginger root, unpeeled (optional)

Juice all the ingredients and sip it down!
**Minty Mauve Cabbage Magic**

Packed with aromatic, stomach-soothing mint and blood pressure-regulating celery, this juice gets its oomph from the gentle, cleansing, and intestinal-healing properties of the purple cabbage. The vibrantly colored cabbage is loaded with anticancer phytonutrients and vitamins A, B₁, B₂, B₆, C, E, and K, plus folate.

**SERVES 1**

- 4 purple cabbage leaves
- 2 stalks celery, roughly chopped
- 1 bunch fresh mint leaves
- ½ small lime (or more, to taste)

Chop the cabbage leaves into smaller pieces and juice them along with the celery, mint leaves, and lime. Pour into a glass, and enjoy.
**Purple Sea Asparagus**

Slightly sweeter than green asparagus, purple asparagus brings on the super-nutrition in this juice, along with the mineral-loaded sea veggies dulse and kelp, known for their high mineral content and bone-building properties.

**SERVES 1**

1 bunch purple asparagus
1 lemon

After juicing:
Dulse and kelp flakes,
to taste
Stevia, to taste

Juice the asparagus and lemon, and pour into a glass. Add dulse and kelp flakes and stevia, as desired.

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**Purple Punch**

Light, refreshing, and polyphenol-rich, this juice gives a big antioxidant knock-out punch to cancer, heart disease, premature aging, and toxic heavy metals.

**SERVES 1**

1 head purple Belgian endive, cut into chunks
1 cucumber, cut into chunks

After juicing:
Dulse and kelp flakes,
to taste

Juice the endive and cucumber. Add dulse and kelp flakes, stir it up, and imbibe.
Purple Lemonade

A big star in the kale family, the purple kale in this juice has beneficial anthocyanin phytonutrient properties, which protect against the oxidative stress of various toxins. A great addition to your cleanse!

SERVES 1

1 head purple cauliflower, cut into chunks
4 purple kale leaves
1 cucumber, cut into chunks
½ lemon

After juicing:
Stevia, to taste

Juice the cauliflower. Roll the kale leaves into a ball, and juice them along with the cucumber and lemon. Pour into a glass, and add stevia.
CHAPTER 8

SMOOTHIES

PULL OUT YOUR BLENDER and get ready to whip up some nutritious and delicious health-giving smoothies!
Cinnamon Zucchini Smoothie

Creamy and filling, this low-GI zucchini (fruit) smoothie with a zing of cinnamon is delicious! You can even add a little unsweetened carob powder for a little chocolaty taste.

SERVES 1

½ cup (100 ml) filtered water
2 cups (400 ml) chopped zucchini
1 tablespoon (15 ml) alcohol-free vanilla extract or ground vanilla bean
1 tablespoon (15 ml) ground cinnamon, plus more for dusting
Stevia, to taste

Place all ingredients in a blender, and pulse until silky-smooth. Pour mixture into a glass, sprinkle a dusting of cinnamon on top, and enjoy!

Green Cilantro Smoothie

The ultimate low-calorie, high-nutrient green detox smoothie.

SERVES 1

Juice from one lime, (squeezed by hand)
2 cups (400 ml) filtered water
1 cup (200 ml) kale or spinach leaves
1 cup (200 ml) chopped fresh pineapple
½ cup (100 ml) fresh cilantro
½ inch (1.3 cm) fresh gingerroot, unpeeled
1 cup (200 ml) ice

Place all ingredients in the blender, pulse, and enjoy!
Minty Spirulina Kiwi Smoothie

Mean, green, and refreshing, this high-protein spirulina smoothie is sure to get your cells primed and ready for cleansing. The kiwi skin contains vitamin C and fiber, so I never peel them before using.

SERVES 1

1 cup (200 ml) filtered water
3 kiwis, halved, unpeeled
1 cucumber
5 fresh mint leaves
1 tablespoon (15 ml) chia seeds
1 tablespoon (15 ml) spirulina

Place the filtered water, kiwis, cucumber, and mint in the blender, and pulse. Pour in a glass. Add the chia seeds and spirulina. Stir, and imbibe.

CHAPTER 9

IF YOU LIKE NUT BUTTERS, YOU WILL LOVE these filling, high-plant-protein, dairy-free, hormone-free, and cholesterol-free shakes. Soak the nuts (and all seeds) in water overnight or for a few hours before using them to soak off the enzyme inhibitors and make them more easily digestible. Pull out your blender, and get shakin’!
Blueberry Almond Shake

Cool, creamy, and filling, this shake uses phytonutrient-rich blueberries and heart-protecting, high-protein, vitamin E–loaded almonds.

SERVES 1

¾ cup (150 ml) almonds
2 cups (400 ml) filtered water
1 cup (200 ml) fresh blueberries, plus more for garnish

Soak the almonds in water for a few hours or overnight. Drain the liquid and discard. Place the almonds, filtered water, and blueberries in a blender. Pulse and drink.
Cinnamon Walnut Shake

High in omega-3 fatty acids and the highest antioxidant profile of all nuts, the buttery-tasting walnuts in this recipe won’t disappoint. Add to that the blood sugar-stabilizing and metabolism-boosting cinnamon, and you’ve got yourself a shake!

SERVES 1

1 cup (200 ml) walnuts
2 cups (400 ml) filtered water
1 tablespoon (15 ml) ground cinnamon

Soak the walnuts in water for a few hours or overnight. Drain the liquid and discard. Place the walnuts and filtered water in a blender and pulse until smooth. Add cinnamon and pulse again.

Pumpkin Pie Shake

Bright orange and festive-tasting, this fiber-filled pumpkin, cinnamon, and nutmeg shake will bring on that holiday feeling, in a healthy way, any time of year.

SERVES 1

¼ cup (50 ml) pumpkin seeds
2 cups (400 ml) filtered water
1 cup (200 ml) pumpkin pulp, skinned and seeded
1 teaspoon (5 ml) alcohol-free vanilla extract or ground vanilla bean
¼ teaspoon (1.3 ml) ground cinnamon
¼ teaspoon (1.3 ml) ground nutmeg
1 teaspoon (5 ml) chia seeds

Soak the pumpkin seeds in water for a few hours or overnight. Discard the liquid, and pour the seeds into a blender with the filtered water. Slice up the pumpkin and add the pulp to the blender. Add vanilla, cinnamon, and nutmeg and pulse. Add chia seeds to the mixture and give one or two pulses to the blender, then pour in a glass, and lap it up.
NO SOUP FOR YOU! WELL, NOT IN THIS CASE. For you, delish, cleansing, alkaline, nourishing soups inspired by nature’s gardens. These are a great first food after the seven-day Rainbow Juice Cleanse to break the fast. Keep in mind, these are no-cook soups, intended to harness and not destroy the full bounty of enzymes, vitamins, minerals, and phytonutrients found in the ingredients. If you decide to heat them, use a very low setting. Some blenders will even slightly warm as you purée if you leave them running for a few minutes. Even better, just warm up the water used in your soup in a tea kettle (not the microwave), or put your soup bowl in the warming drawer or oven for a few minutes, then pour in your raw soup.
Creamy Basil Asparagus Soup

The creaminess of pine nuts, the pepperiness of basil, and the earthy tones of the fresh asparagus will make you go back for seconds.

SERVES 1

2 cups (400 ml) filtered water
2 bunches asparagus
Handful fresh basil leaves
¼ cup (50 ml) pine nuts (do not need soaking)
1 garlic clove, peeled
1 tablespoon (15 ml) Namo Shoyu or Tamari

For garnish:
Basil sprig
Lemon zest
Turmeric powder

Place all the ingredients in a blender and pulse until creamy. Pour into a bowl. Garnish with a sprig of basil, some lemon zest, and a sprinkle of turmeric powder.

Cream of Curry Cauliflower Soup

Begin your love affair with curry in this smooth, nutrition-packed soup. With up to twenty spices, herbs, and seeds that are pulverized to make curry, you can imagine the goodness you are getting with each sprinkle!

SERVES 1

½ cup (100 ml) almonds
2 cups (400 ml) small cauliflower chunks
2 cups (400 ml) filtered water
¼ cup (100 ml) peeled and chopped sweet onion
1 tablespoon (15 ml) chickpea miso
1 garlic clove, peeled
1 tablespoon (15 ml) curry powder, plus more for garnish

Soak the almonds in water for a few hours or overnight. Discard the liquid, and place the almonds in a blender. Add the cauliflower, filtered water, onion, miso, garlic, and curry powder. Pulse until creamy, and pour into a bowl. Garnish with a sprinkle of curry powder.
Minty Cucumber Soup

Mint, cucumber, and scallions conspire with the nut or seed milk of your choice to produce a delicious, cleansing soup.

SERVES 1

Place all the ingredients in a blender and blend until smooth. Pour into a bowl. Garnish with the cucumber slices and mint leaves.

1 cucumber, cut into chunks, unpeeled
1 cup (200 ml) nut or seed milk of your choice
½ cup (100 ml) fresh mint leaves
2 tablespoons (30 ml) finely sliced scallions

For garnish:
4 cucumber slices
3 fresh mint leaves

Spinach and the Sea Soup

This almost instant energy–giving, phytonutrient-packed soup brims with spinach’s highly absorbable antioxidant vitamins and alkaline sea veggie minerals to keep you strong for life.

SERVES 1

Pulse all the ingredients in a blender until smooth. Pour into a bowl, and enjoy.

2 cups (400 ml) filtered water
2 cups (400 ml) spinach leaves
½ cup (100 ml) peeled and chopped sweet onion
½ teaspoon (2.5 ml) dulse powder
½ teaspoon (2.5 ml) kelp powder

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Pumpkin Pleasure Soup

Filled with fiber and flavor, this savory soup’s pumpkin seeds are high in zinc, magnesium, iron, protein, and essential fatty acids. Pumpkin seeds are known to promote men’s fertility and help prevent prostate issues.

SERVES 1

½ cup (100 ml) pumpkin seeds, plus more for garnish
1 cup (200 ml) filtered water
1 cup (200 ml) pumpkin, peeled
2 pitted dates
Nama Shoyu or Tamari, to taste

Soak the pumpkin seeds in water for a few hours or overnight. Discard the liquid and pour the seeds into a blender with the filtered water. Add the pumpkin, dates, and Namu Shoyu and pulse. Pour into a bowl, garnish with additional pumpkin seeds, and serve.
Cool Ginger Melon Soup

Revitalize yourself with this fresh, chilled soup. The melon of your choice, which is the basis of this soup, boosts your immune system and stabilizes your blood pressure.

SERVES 1

½ ripe melon (your choice of watermelon or any other melon in season), peeled, seeded, and chopped into chunks
Filtered water, as needed
½ inch (13 mm) fresh gingerroot

For garnish:
Handful fresh mint leaves

Place the melon, water, and gingerroot in a blender and pulse until smooth. Pour the soup into a bowl. Crumble several mint leaves to bring out the menthol and sprinkle atop the soup.

Broccoli and Leek Soup

Take the strain off an overstressed digestive system, and infuse your body with the liquid vitamins of the phyttonutrient-rich cruciferous broccoli, the fertility-boosting healthy fats of the avocado, and the mild flavors of leek without feeling deprived.

SERVES 1

1 head broccoli, chopped into chunks (2 cups [400 ml]), plus a few more chunks for garnish
2 cups (400 ml) filtered water
3 medium leeks, chopped, plus 1 for garnish
1 avocado, peeled and pitted
1 tablespoon (15 ml) Nama Shoyu or Tamari
1 tablespoon (15 ml) fresh lemon juice

Place the broccoli, filtered water, leeks, avocado, Nama Shoyu, and lemon juice in a blender and blend. Pour into a bowl and top with a few small pieces of broccoli and a leek stalk.
Cream of Celery Soup

Stress hormone-reducing celery contains coumarins that help to lower blood pressure, reduce the risk of blood clots, and help regulate the body’s water balance. Combine that with the blood sugar-balancing properties of zucchini, and you have yourself one heck of a detox soup!

SERVES 1

1 ½ cups (300 ml) chopped celery
2 cups (400 ml) filtered water
1 zucchini, cut into chunks
1 small garlic clove, peeled
1 tablespoon (15 ml) Nama Shoyu or Tamari
1 teaspoon (5 ml) ground fennel

For garnish:
1 celery stalk

Place the celery, water, zucchini, garlic, Nama Shoyu, and fennel in a blender and pulse until creamy. Pour into a bowl, and garnish with a celery stalk.

CHAPTER 11

ENTRÉES AND SIDES

THESE FOODIE-PLEASING ENTÉES AND SIDES will tempt any taste buds and satisfy your hunger without that overstuffed feeling. They are delicious, filling, and the indisputable winner in nutrients over their heavily processed versions.
Cinco de Mayo Stuffed Peppers

This is one of my favorite recipes! It’s absolutely delicious and easy to make. The secret is the cilantro, lime juice, and lime zest and the way these flavors blend with the rest of the veggies—yum! I could eat this every day. Sometimes I just make a big bowl of the stuffing and eat it all in one sitting!

SERVES 1

| ½ cup (100 ml) finely sliced carrots | Juice and zest from one lime (squeezed by hand), with zest reserved |
| 1 orange bell pepper, cored, seeded, and chopped into bite-size pieces | 1 teaspoon (5 ml) celery powder |
| ½ cup (100 ml) bite-size broccoli florets | 2 red bell peppers, cored, seeded, and cut in half length-wise |
| ½ cup (100 ml) bite-size cauliflower florets | 1 teaspoon (5 ml) fresh thyme |
| 4 stalks scallions, finely sliced | For garnish: |
| ½ cup (100 ml) fresh peas | Crushed red pepper, to taste |

Place the carrots, orange bell pepper, cilantro, broccoli and cauliflower florets, scallions, and peas in a large bowl, and mix well. Scatter the lime zest across the ingredients in the bowl, and pour in the lime juice. Sprinkle the celery powder throughout, and toss all the ingredients thoroughly. Stuff the mixture into the red pepper halves, and eat!

Chee-Z Cauliflower Mash

Sorry, Mom, but I don’t miss your old-school mashed potatoes ‘n’ gravy after having this delicious, healthy version. And the best part? I can have seconds, guilt-free!

SERVES 1

| 3 cups (600 ml) chopped cauliflower florets | Combine all the ingredients in a blender and pulse until smooth. (Or feel free to keep this dish a bit chunky, if you prefer!) Scoop into a bowl and add crushed red pepper. |
| ¼ cup (50 ml) pine nuts | NOTE: If you’d like to add more nutritional yeast for more chee-z flavor, go for it! |
| Juice from one lemon (squeezed by hand) | 1 garlic clove, peeled |
| 2 tablespoons (30 ml) filtered water | 2 tablespoons (30 ml) nutritional yeast |
| 2 tablespoons (30 ml) nutritional yeast | 2 teaspoons (10 ml) chopped chives |
| 2 teaspoons (10 ml) chopped chives | 1 teaspoon (5 ml) fresh thyme |

For garnish:
Crushed red pepper, to taste
Collard-Wrapped Veggie Burger

This easy-to-make veggie burger beats the pants off those seemingly healthy store-bought frozen ones that actually have loads of unwanted chemicals and additives—check the box. But not in this version. What you see is what you get, and that’s pure, clean, nutritional goodness!

SERVES 1

2 cups (400 ml) chopped mushrooms
1 red bell pepper, cored, seeded, and finely chopped
1 scallion, chopped
4 carrots, unpeeled and chopped
⅓ cup (67 ml) chopped fresh basil leaves
1 garlic clove, peeled and finely chopped
½ teaspoon (2.5 ml) dried oregano
½ teaspoon (2.5 ml) celery salt
2 collard greens

Prior to making this dish, chop and soak the mushrooms in Nama Shoyu for a few hours or overnight. Combine all the ingredients, except for the collard greens, in a bowl, and mix thoroughly. Form the mixture into thick, burger-size patties. Top each collard green leaf with a veggie patty, fold over the edges, and enjoy.
Hearts of Romaine Stuffed with Summer Squash Hummus

A delicious spin on traditional hummus and a great way to use up your summer harvest, this recipe uses yellow summer squash (or zucchini) and is a great source of manganese, found to alleviate monthly PMS mood swings and menstrual cramps.

SERVES 1

1 cup (200 ml) diced yellow summer squash (or zucchini)
½ cup (100 ml) raw tahini
Juice from one lemon (squeezed by hand)
2 garlic cloves, peeled
1 tablespoon (15 ml) Nama Shoyu or Tamari
1 teaspoon (5 ml) cumin powder
1 teaspoon (5 ml) turmeric powder or 2 inches (5 cm) turmeric root, grated
Black pepper, to taste
2 hearts of romaine leaves

Place all the ingredients except the black pepper and romaine leaves in a blender and pulse until smooth. Add black pepper to taste. Scoop the mixture into the hearts of romaine leaves.

Zucchini and Carrot Spaghetti with Sun-Dried Tomatoes and Red Pepper Sauce

Here’s a guilt-free, nutrient-dense spaghetti that doesn’t make you want to go take a nap, but actually gives you energy! And, no, there isn’t any cooking with this spaghetti!

SERVES 1

Spaghetti:
1 zucchini
5 carrots

Sauce:
3 sun-dried tomatoes
½ cup (100 ml) filtered water
2 red bell peppers, cored, seeded, and chopped
1 date
1 bunch fresh basil
1 garlic clove, peeled
Juice from ½ lemon (squeezed by hand)

For garnish:
Oregano, to taste
Thyme, to taste
Dulse powder, to taste

Place the sun-dried tomatoes in a bowl of filtered water and soak for 20 minutes (this is separate from the filtered water on the ingredients list). Use a vegetable slicer or mandoline to slice the zucchini and carrots very finely or a spiral vegetable slicer and make a big plate of veggie spaghetti. Set aside.

Put all the ingredients for the sauce in a blender and pulse until velvety. Pour the sauce over the “spaghetti,” and garnish with the spices and dulse powder.
Jicama Fries with Cayenne and Red Pepper Ketchup

I never had jicama before I tried jicama fries—and now I’m addicted. I’ll bet you will be, too! Because commercial ketchup is so full of processed sugar, this no-sugar recipe was adapted from the Hippocrates Health Institute.

SERVES 1

Fries:
- 1 jicama
- Expeller-pressed extra-virgin olive oil
- Paprika, to taste
- Onion powder, to taste
- Ground flaxseed (optional)
- Psyllium husk powder (optional)
- Stevia (optional)

Ketchup:
- 1 red bell pepper, cored, seeded, and chopped
- ½ medium red onion, peeled
- ½ red beet
- Juice from ½ lemon (squeezed by hand)
- ½ cup (100 ml) apple cider vinegar
- 1 tablespoon (15 ml) ground flaxseed, plus more for fries (optional)
- 1 teaspoon (5 ml) paprika
- 1 teaspoon (5 ml) celery powder
- 1 teaspoon (5 ml) garlic powder
- Filtered water, as needed
- Stevia, to taste

Slice the jicama into French fry–like wedges or use a potato slicer to cut it into wedges. Place the jicama fries in a container with a lid. Drizzle olive oil and sprinkle paprika and onion powder on the jicama wedges. Close the lid and shake vigorously to distribute the oil and spices. You can add ground flaxseed or even psyllium husk powder to thicken, if desired, and stevia to sweeten.

Combine all the ketchup ingredients in a blender, and pulse, adding water as needed for desired consistency. Season and sweeten with stevia to taste.

Belgian Endive Stuffed with Green Pea Hummus

This recipe was given to me by a favorite doctor friend, Dr. Greg, who is also a chef, and boy did this combination produce a kick-butt creation that is not only good for you, but also contains some serious body and brain food.

SERVES 1

- ¼ cup (100 ml) walnuts
- Juice from ½ lemon (squeezed by hand)
- 1 cup (200 ml) shelled fresh peas
- 1 garlic clove, peeled
- ½ avocado, peeled and pitted
- 1 teaspoon (5 ml) dulse powder
- 4 small Belgian endive leaves

For garnish:
- A few walnut halves

Soak the walnuts in water for a few hours or overnight. Discard the liquid and put the walnuts in a blender; add the lemon juice, peas, garlic, avocado, and dulse to the blender and pulse until it reaches a hummuslike consistency. Pipe into Belgian endive leaves, and garnish with the walnut halves.
CHAPTER 12

SALADS AND DRESSINGS

NOT YOUR RUN-OF-THE-MILL SALADS, these recipes might just change your mind about the negative salad stereotypes out there.

• The Salads
All of you know how to make a salad. I’ve provided a few uncommon options to inspire you to think outside the box and maybe come up with some of your own. Utilize any of the oil-free rainbow dressings from pages 157–64 on the salads in this chapter.

• The Dressings
Dressing can make or break your salad, and it can just as easily make or break your weight. I never buy store-bought dressings because of all the chemical additives and strange-sounding ingredients listed on the back of the bottle, but also because most of the seemingly healthy ones always use totally unhealthy oils, especially canola oil. All the dressings provided here are entirely oil-free and made instead with nourishing whole-food fats, not processed oils and no chemical preservatives. You can chill them for a few days in the refrigerator in an airtight jar, but it’s best to make them fresh and use them immediately!
Rainbow Tricolor Spiral Salad

A salad without lettuce? Give this one a try. The sweetness of the carrots and the mild licorice taste of the fennel, complementing the delicate flavor of the squash, may leave you not wanting any dressing at all.

SERVES 1

5 carrots, unpeeled
1 yellow squash
1 bulb fennel

Use a vegetable slicer or mandolin to slice the carrots, squash, and fennel very finely, or a spiral vegetable slicer, and make a big bowl of spiral salad. Toss with your favorite Rainbow dressing.

Sea Veggie Salad

Sea veggies are jam-packed with trace minerals and some serious heavy metal-detoxing and bone-building properties. You definitely want this salad as a staple in your diet.

SERVES 1

Handful whole dulse leaves
Handful whole kelp leaves
Handful whole arame leaves

Toss all the sea veggies in a big bowl with your favorite Rainbow dressing.
Rainbow Power Salad

We can’t have a Rainbow Juice Cleanse book without a Rainbow salad! Every color, contrast, flavor, and texture of the rainbow is represented here, as are chlorophyll, magnesium, amino acids, and too many other goodies to name!

SERVES 1

Place all the ingredients in a big bowl, and top it off with a handful of halved cherry tomatoes and a delicious Rainbow salad dressing.

1 head broccoli, cut into bite-size pieces
4 carrots, unpeeled and grated
1 yellow bell pepper, cored, seeded, and chopped
1 medium red onion, finely sliced
6 purple kale leaves, torn into pieces
¾ cup chopped walnuts
Handful spinach
Handful cherry tomatoes, sliced in half

opposite: Rainbow Power Salad with Orange Pepper and Cilantro Dressing (page 157)
**Orange Pepper and Cilantro Dressing**

Sweet and sassy and perfect on any salad! Since you are making it fresh, it's not pasteurized (a nutrient-destroying high heat) like most traditional salad dressings, so you are able to harness the full force of bioavailable nutrients. Loaded with vitamin C and phytonutrients like carotenoids, you are doing your body good!

SERVES 1

- Juice from one large orange (squeezed by hand)
- 1 orange bell pepper, cored and seeded
- ½ bunch cilantro, chopped
- 1 cucumber, chopped into chunks
- 1 garlic clove, peeled
- 1 teaspoon (5 ml) white miso

Place the orange juice, pepper, cilantro, cucumber, garlic, and miso in a blender, and pulse well. Store in an airtight jar in the refrigerator.

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**Queen of Quinoa Salad**

Called the “mother of all grains” by the ancient Incans, quinoa (pronounced KEEN-wah) is a complete source of protein and a heart-healthy grain; it is known to help lower bad (LDL) cholesterol. This salad requires a little more prep time than most: Before you make the salad, you need to sprout the quinoa for one or two days in order to enhance its nutrient profile and rid it of its natural, bitter saponin coating to prevent potential stomach upset. Serve it as a main dish or as a hearty side dish plain, or toss it with any of the Rainbow salad dressings.

SERVES 1

- 1 cup quinoa
- 1 red bell pepper, cored, seeded, and finely chopped
- 1 carrot, finely chopped
- 1 bunch parsley, finely chopped
- 1 bunch mint, finely chopped
- 1 bunch scallions, finely chopped
- 1 stalk celery, finely chopped
- ½ cup (100 ml) sunflower seeds

Put the quinoa in a mason jar, and fill it with filtered water. Let it sit for about 6 hours or overnight. Strain the liquid off (you can use a mason jar sprouting lid). Fill the jar with filtered water again and strain it once again. Put the jar of soaked quinoa, lid-side down, in a bowl so the excess water can drain off. Every 6 hours (the timing doesn’t have to be exact; do this when you remember, but not too much longer than 6 hours between rinses), rinse, drain, and set the jar back in the bowl for a total of 1 or 2 days, or until the first sprouts start to pop. Once you see this, place the jar in the fridge and make this recipe immediately or within a few days.

Place the quinoa and the rest of the ingredients in a big bowl and toss until well mixed.
Tomato Curry Cider Dressing

Light, healthy, and loaded with probiotics (the good-for-the-gut, healthy bacteria), this dressing is the perfect choice to top off any of the salads. The curry powder, with its combination of over twenty herbs and spices (depending on the brand)—including cayenne, red pepper, coriander, cumin, and turmeric—harnesses all the healing benefits and adds lots of nutrients.

SERVES 1

- 3 medium tomatoes, chopped into chunks
- 3 tablespoons (45 ml) apple cider vinegar
- 2 dates, pitted
- 1 garlic clove, peeled
- 1 teaspoon (5 ml) curry powder
- Sea salt, to taste
- Organic black pepper, to taste

Place all the ingredients in a blender, and pulse until creamy. Store in an airtight jar in the refrigerator.

Creamed Spinach Dill Dressing

This dressing is packed with good-for-you vitamins and antioxidants like vitamins K, A, B_1, B_2, B_6, C, E, and loaded with folate, magnesium, calcium, potassium, zinc, phosphorus, iron, selenium, and copper. The flavorful macadamia nuts provide monounsaturated fats known to help lower bad (LDL) cholesterol, as well as raise good (HDL) cholesterol.

SERVES 1

- ½ cup (100 ml) macadamia nuts
- 1 cup (200 ml) filtered water
- 2 cups (400 ml) spinach leaves
- 1 garlic clove, peeled
- 1 tablespoon (15 ml) Nama Shoyu or Tamari
- 1 tablespoon (15 ml) ground dill, plus more for garnish

Soak the macadamia nuts in distilled water for a few hours or overnight. Discard the liquid and place the nuts in a blender, along with the filtered water, spinach, garlic, Nama Shoyu, and ground dill, and pulse. Store in an airtight jar in the refrigerator and garnish with a dash of dill when serving.
Lemon Fennel Dressing

Indulge in the delicious, distinctive flavor of this health-boosting dressing. The alkalizing lemon and the detoxifying fennel provide bioavailable anti-inflammatory vitamin C, high blood-pressure fighting potassium, and loads of other nutrients, including the flavonoids, rutin, quercitin, and kaempferol.

SERVES 1

2 cups (400 ml) chopped fresh fennel
1 tablespoon (15 ml) ground fennel
1 cup (200 ml) filtered water (more or less, depending on desired consistency)
Juice from one lemon (squeezed by hand)
1 tablespoon (15 ml) Nama Shoyu or Tamari
Stevia, to taste

Place the fennel (chopped and ground), water, lemon juice, and Nama Shoyu in a blender, and pulse thoroughly. Add stevia, to taste. Store in an airtight jar in the refrigerator.

Green Goodness Dressing

My friend and colleague, Dr. Greg, knew what he was doing with this salad dressing! Research has shown absorption of the phytonutrients lycopene and beta-carotene increases significantly (up to 400 percent!) when avocado is added to a salad. Add to that the blood pressure lowering effects of the garlic and a heck of a lot of green via parsley, chives, and dill.

SERVES 1

1 avocado, peeled and pitted
½ cup (100 ml) fresh parsley, loosely packed
½ cup (100 ml) chopped fresh chives, loosely packed
½ cup (100 ml) fresh dill, loosely packed
½ cup (100 ml) filtered water (or more, as needed)
1 garlic clove, peeled
¾ teaspoon (4 ml) celery salt

Place all the ingredients in a blender, and pulse until smooth. Thin out the dressing with more water, if needed. Use immediately, or store in an airtight container in the refrigerator.
Cucumber Mint Dressing

Cucumbers and mint pair deliciously in this light and refreshing dressing—one of my favorites! It’s loaded with nourishing phytonutrients from not only the green family, but also the white/tan and purple families as well. Savor away with this dressing and use it on any of the salads.

SERVES 1

1 cucumber, chopped into chunks
½ cup (100 ml) fresh mint leaves
1 garlic clove, peeled
Juice from ¼ lime (squeezed by hand)
2 tablespoons (30 ml) peeled and finely chopped sweet onion
1 tablespoon (15 ml) dulse powder

Place all the ingredients in a blender, and pulse until creamy. Store in an airtight jar in the refrigerator.

Turmeric Tahini Ginger Dressing

Warm and super-nourishing, this dressing deserves a spot in your weekly diet. Anti-inflammatory, digestion-improving, and immune-system boosting, turmeric outperforms many prescription drugs in its effects against several chronic diseases from arthritis to cancer to Alzheimer’s. Add it to any of the nutrient-dense salads or even use it as a dip.

SERVES 1

½ cup (100 ml) tahini
2 tablespoons (30 ml) apple cider vinegar
2 tablespoons (30 ml) Nama Shoyu or Tamari
2 tablespoons (30 ml) turmeric powder or 2-inch (5 cm) turmeric root, grated
1 teaspoon (5 ml) peeled and grated fresh gingerroot
¼ teaspoon (1.3 ml) black pepper
Filtered water, as needed

Combine all the ingredients in a small jar with a lid and shake vigorously until well mixed. Add water as needed for desired consistency. Store in an airtight jar in the refrigerator.
CHAPTER 13
DESSERTS

SOME PEOPLE ARE INTRODUCED TO HEALTHY EATING through delectable, decadent, good-for-you desserts. I was one of those people. That day, I knew I would never feel deprived following a healthy-eating regimen. Once you discover your favorites, you may want to double-batch. Bring on the dessert!

Yellow Pepper Vinaigrette Dressing

When you just can’t take another balsamic vinaigrette, this is your go-to dressing. This healthy, oil-free alternative loads up on phytonutrients such as lutein, zeaxanthin, and beta-cryptoxanthin, as well as Vitamins C and K, many of the B vitamins, copper, manganese, magnesium, zinc, and omega-3 fatty acids from the flaxseed. Pour on the nutrients!

SERVES 1

1 yellow summer squash, chopped into chunks
1 yellow bell pepper, cored and seeded
¼ cup (50 ml) filtered water
Juice from ½ lemon (squeezed by hand)
1 tablespoon (15 ml) flaxseed
1 date, pitted
¼ teaspoon (1.3 ml) paprika
¼ teaspoon (1.3 ml) mustard powder
¼ teaspoon (1.3 ml) dried oregano
¼ teaspoon (1.3 ml) onion powder
¼ teaspoon (1.3 ml) dried thyme

Place all the ingredients in a blender, pulse well, and serve over your favorite salad. Store leftover dressing in an airtight jar in the refrigerator.
Mint Carob Chip Avocado Mousse

This is my all-time favorite snack for when I need a chocolate fix. The best part of all? There’s no dairy! Use carob or cacao instead. And the avocado, you ask? Well, let’s just say, you will be astounded by the taste.

SERVES 1

- 2 avocados, peeled and pitted
- 3 tablespoons (45 ml) unsweetened carob powder
- 5 fresh mint leaves, plus more for garnish
- ¼ cup (50 ml) water or almond milk (optional depending on desired consistency)
- Stevia, to taste (or a few dates, pitted and soaked)

For garnish:
- Carob chips

Place all the ingredients in a blender, and pulse until smooth and thick. Add additional stevia as needed, and garnish with mint leaves and carob chips. Very important: Be sure not to eat it all before you give your family a chance to try it.

Strawberry Hazelnut Pudding

Strawberries blended in a creamy bed of hazelnut is sure to always be welcome at the table—if it ever makes it to the table! Try this recipe with different berries each time for delicious variations.

SERVES 1

- 1 cup (200 ml) hazelnuts
- 2 dates, pitted
- ¼ cup (50 ml) coconut water
- 1 cup (200 ml) fresh strawberries
- 2 tablespoons (30 ml) unsweetened carob or carob powder
- 1 tablespoon (15 ml) alcohol-free vanilla extract or vanilla bean

For garnish:
- Fresh mint leaves
- Strawberries
- Hazelnut halves, soaked

Soak the hazelnuts and dates in water for a few hours or overnight and then discard the liquid. Place the hazelnuts and dates in a blender, and pulse to combine. With the motor on low, drizzle in the coconut water, and drop in the strawberries one by one. Add the carob and vanilla, and turn up the motor, if needed. Add more coconut water or filtered water to achieve the desired thickness.

Scoop into a small bowl or ramekin, adorn with mint leaves, a few whole strawberries, and a few soaked hazelnut halves, and devour!
Blackberry Banana Split Ice Cream

Imagine a healthier soft-serve ice cream—it’s totally doable and totally tantalizing. With ripe, frozen bananas to help lower blood pressure and keep the Big Pipe moving, just add blackberries (or the berries of your choice) for an anthocyanin-phytonutrient blast.

SERVES 1

3 ripe bananas, peeled and chopped into chunks
2 cups (400 ml) fresh blackberries
Filtered water, as needed

For garnish:
Fresh banana slices
Fresh blackberries

Freeze the banana pieces and blackberries overnight or until firm. In a blender, pulse the bananas and blackberries with a little bit of water until a smooth, creamy consistency is reached. Garnish with banana slices and fresh blackberries before serving. Eat immediately, or let it set in the freezer for an hour.
Mango Sorbet

This light, sweet, easy-to-make, high fructose, and corn syrup-free frozen dessert will delight your taste buds and your cells with vitamins C, A, and B₆; copper, potassium, and magnesium; and fiber.

SERVES 1

2 fresh mangos, peeled, pitted, and chopped into bite-size chunks
Juice from one lemon or lime (squeezed by hand)
Stevia, to taste (optional)

For garnish:
Fresh mint leaves

Freeze the mango pieces overnight or until frozen. Place the juice and frozen mango chunks in a blender. Pulse until well blended. Add stevia to taste. Once the desired consistency is reached, place the sorbet back in the freezer to firm up, about 15 minutes. Then garnish with some mint, and eat at once!

Pecan Pie Ice Cream

Nothing says Southern like pecan pie! Throw in some nondairy ice cream, and you’ve got yourself a scrumptious treat. And the cherry on top? This recipe’s actually good for you!

SERVES 1

3 bananas, peeled and chopped into chunks
1 cup (200 ml) pecans, plus more for garnish
1 date, pitted and soaked
1 tablespoon (15 ml) alcohol-free vanilla extract or vanilla bean
1 teaspoon (5 ml) ground cinnamon
1 teaspoon (5 ml) ground nutmeg

Freeze the banana pieces for at least an hour or overnight. Soak the pecans and date in water for a few hours or overnight. Discard the liquid. Blend the bananas, pecans, and date in a blender. Add the vanilla extract, cinnamon, and nutmeg and pulse until a soft ice cream-like consistency is reached. Stir in some chopped pecans. Scoop into a bowl, and gorge!
THE FOLLOWING LISTS feature the Rainbow Juice Cleanse approved foods you can eat during the warm-up phase and then bring on full force during the rev-up phase as well as the four days prior to and the four days after the all-juice seven-day Rainbow Juice Cleanse. They are easily digestible, highly nourishing, cleansing, raw (uncooked), and preferably organic foods that can become “regulars” in your new healthy Rainbow way of eating. You can find these foods at your local grocery or health food store. And don’t forget to review the “Clean Fifteen” and the “Dirty Dozen” lists on page 47.

Note: Consult your physician if you have health challenges or are taking medications that have certain food restrictions.
## Dark Green Leafy Vegetables and Cruciferous Veggies

Go overboard with these phytonutrient-packed foods! These are the staples of the Rainbow Juice Cleanse. Be sure to choose fresh, ripe, raw, organic, and unsweetened (except with stevia). Nothing frozen, canned, or bottled. Although there are about a thousand species of plants, here are some of the more traditional and easy-to-find options, loaded with alkaline minerals and easily absorbed amino acids—the building blocks of protein.

- Artichokes
- Arugula
- Asparagus
- Beet greens
- Beets
- Bok choy
- Broccoli
- Brussels sprouts
- Cabbage
- Carrots
- Cauliflower
- Celery
- Chard
- Chicory
- Chives
- Collard greens
- Dandelion greens
- Eggplant
- Endive
- Escarole
- Fennel
- Garlic
- Gingerroot
- Grasses (wheatgrass, barley grass)
- Horseradish
- Jicama
- Kale
- Kohlrabi
- Leeks
- Lettuce (including green leaf lettuce, red leaf lettuce, romaine)
- Mushrooms
- Mustard greens
- Onion
- Parsley
- Parsnips
- Peas
- Radishes
- Rutabaga
- Scallions
- Shallots
- Spinach
- Squash (including yellow summer squash and zucchini)
- Sweet potatoes/yams
- Swiss chard
- Turmeric root
- Turnips
- Watercress

## Sea Vegetables/Seaweed

Raw and untoasted only! Sold as dried leaves, sheets, or even as flakes in a spice canister.

- Alaria/wakame
- Arame
- Dulse
- Hijiki
- Kelp
- Kombu
- Nori

## Sprouts

Jam-packed with nutrients and very easy to sprout at home. Add sprouts to your juices, salads, sandwiches, or anywhere you can squeeze them in! Here are just a few.

- Adzuki bean sprouts
- Barley
- Broccoli sprouts
- Buckwheat
- Cabbage sprouts
- Chickpea/garbanzo bean sprouts
- Lentil sprouts
- Mung bean sprouts
- Pea sprouts
- Quinoa sprouts
- Radish sprouts
- Sunflower sprouts
- Wheatberries and wheatgrass sprouts
- Wild rice sprouts

## Herbs and Spices

These are some of the most highly pesticide-sprayed plants, so be sure to buy organic!

- Basil
- Black pepper
- Cardamom
- Cayenne pepper
- Celery powder
- Chili powder
- Chives
- Cilantro
- Cinnamon
- Cloves
- Coriander
- Cumin
- Curry
- Dill
- Fennel
- Garlic cloves and garlic powder
- Gingerroot and ground ginger powder
- Horseradish
- Italian herb mix
- Marjoram
- Mint
- Mustard
- Nutmeg
- Oregano
- Paprika
- Parsley
- Parsley flakes
- Pizza seasonings (oregano, marjoram, basil, garlic powder)
- Rosemary
- Sage
- Thyme
- Turmeric root and turmeric powder
- Vanilla bean (whole pod or powdered)
## Approved Foods

### DRIED VEGETABLES
Any vegetable can be dried in a dehydrator to make a crunchy, healthy snack. Some of my favorites include these.

- Kale
- Peas
- Zucchini, sliced
- Sweet potatoes, sliced

### NUTS, NUT BUTTERS, AND NUT MILKS
Preferably soaked, raw, and organic, not roasted.

- Almonds
- Brazil nuts
- Cashews
- Coconut
- Pecans
- Pine nuts
- Pistachios
- Walnuts

### SEEDS, SEED BUTTERS, AND SEED MILKS
These must be soaked, but many can also be sprouted.

- Chia seeds
- Hemp seeds
- Flaxseeds (grind these)
- Pumpkin seeds
- Sesame seeds
- Sunflower seeds

### GRAINS
Soaked and/or sprouted.

- Amaranth (although not technically a grain)
- Buckwheat
- Millet (the most alkaline of the grains)
- Quinoa (the grain with the highest amount of protein)

### FRUIT
Fresh, ripe, raw, unsweetened, and organic. Nothing frozen, canned, or bottled. Fruit has higher concentrations of fructose sugar, so restrict your intake—especially in your juice or all-fruit fruit juices—if you’re trying to lose weight, or if you have diabetes, cancer, or yeast or bacterial infections. Eat more greens!

- • Apples
- • Apricots
- • Bananas
- • Blackberries
- • Blueberries
- • Carob
- • Cherries
- • Cranberries
- • Dates
- • Figs
- • Grapefruit
- • Grapes (red)
- • Jackfruit
- • Kiwi
- • Loquat
- • Mango
- • Melon
- • Mulberries
- • Nectarines
- • Oranges
- • Papaya
- • Passion fruit
- • Peaches
- • Pears
- • Persimmons
- • Pineapples
- • Plums
- • Pomegranates
- • Prickly pear/panini/cactus fruit
- • Raspberries
- • Strawberries
- • Tangerines
- • Watermelon and its rind

### NONSWEET FRUIT

- • Avocados
- • Bell peppers (red, orange, yellow)
- • Coconuts
- • Cucumbers
- • Eggplant
- • Lemons and their rind
- • Limes
- • Okra
- • Pumpkins
- • Squash
- • Tomatoes
- • Zucchini

### FATTY FRUIT
Don’t go overboard, but don’t be afraid of these fruits loaded with good-for-you fats.

- • Avocados
- • Durian
- • Olives

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**BEANS AND LEGUMES (see sprouts)**

**FATS AND OILS**
I’m not a fan of bottled oils, but if you must, use these, and only use coconut oil when you’re heating something up. Choose organic whenever possible, and always choose cold/expeller-pressed/virgin oils, meaning the oil is from the first press, not the leftover oil at the bottom of the barrel.

- Almond oil
- Avocado oil
- Coconut meat/pulp
- Coconut oil/butter (the room temperature determines its consistency)
- Flaxseed oil
- Hempseed oil
- Olive oil
- Sesame oil
- Sunflower oil
- Walnut oil

**SUPERFOODS**
These are the foods of the future—loaded with amino acids, vitamins, minerals, essential fatty acids, and chlorophyll. Work these into your daily lifestyle, and watch your health soar.

- **AFA/Aphanizomenon flos-aquae** (freshwater blue-green algae; E3Live brand)
- **Chlorella** (high-protein green algae)
- **Green powders** (dehydrated cereal grasses and veggies)
- **Spirulina** (high-protein blue-green algae)
- **Sprouts** (see the Sprouts section in this chapter, page 175)
- **Wheatgrass juice**

**SOY**
Consume fermented soy products only!

- Miso
- Natto
- Tamari
- Tempeh

**LIQUIDS**

- Cucumber water (add a few slices of cucumber to a glass of water, or even add cucumber juice)
- Filtered water only, no straight tap water!
- Fresh-made organic veggie juices and veggie smoothies
- Lemon water (you can also add a touch of cayenne pepper)
- Naturally decaffeinated, organic, herbal teas (peppermint, ginger, etc.)
- Probiotic/fermented drinks
- Young coconut water

**FERMENTED FOODS**
These foods rank high in good-for-you intestinal bacteria, aid in digestion, and are rich in enzymes and full of flavor.

- Apple cider vinegar (I prefer Bragg’s raw, organic, unpasteurized)
- Kimchi/raw sauerkraut (not fermented with vinegar!)
- Miso, tempeh, natto
- Nama Shoyu (raw, unpasteurized soy sauce; contains wheat)
- Nutritional yeast (adds a cheesy flavor and substantial nutrients; is not bread yeast)
- Probiotic drinks
- Tamari (unpasteurized soy sauce; usually wheat/gluten-free)
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OTHER

- Carob powder and carob chips
- Chickpea miso
- Manna breads (yeast-free, sprouted breads)
- Plant-based protein powders (pea, cranberry, almond, hemp)
- Raw cereals, granolas, and crackers
- Raw desserts (pudding, ice cream, etc.; see recipes on pages 165–71)
- Raw entrées (burgers, spaghetti, etc.; see recipes on pages 141–49)
- Raw milks and protein shakes (see recipes on pages 125–29)
- Raw nut and seed butters
- Raw nut and seed cheeses
- Raw protein bars (look for “raw” on the label)
- Raw sauces, dips, and spreads (guacamole, salsa, pesto hummus, etc.; see recipes on pages 141–49)
- Raw trail mix
- Sea salt (use sparingly; I prefer sea veggies for natural sodium and that “salty” flavor)
- Seed crackers (flax, chia)
- Sprouted breads and tortillas (look for “sprouted” on the label; usually baked, so you can make it yourself in a dehydrator if you want it raw)
- Stevia (the best sweetener)
- Tahini (sesame seed spread)
- Vanilla extract (alcohol-free)
- Young coconut meat
WEB RESOURCES

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FatFuneralDetox.com
Join like-minded individuals interested in becoming and staying healthy, with access to even more weight loss advice, cutting-edge scientific information, and product recommendations, such as homeopathic formulas; plant-based, heavy metal–free protein powders; whole food–based supplements; detox products like zeolite; and superfoods like spirulina and chlorella.

HippocratesInstitute.org
On the official website for Hippocrates Health Institute—voted the number one medical spa in the world by Spa magazine—you will find articles on nutrition, healing, growing sprouts, disease, and many other topics. Be sure to sign up to receive the institute’s free quarterly magazine, Healing Our World. You will want to read every issue cover to cover.

InfraredSauna.com
Clearlight Infrared Saunas are the best carbon/ceramic infrared saunas I have found. They feature a patent-pending, virtually EMF-free heating technology and are made with eco-certified sustainable woods. Mention “Dr. Ginger,” and get a discount on your order.

RawFor30Days.com
This is the official website for Simply Raw: Reversing Diabetes in 30 Days, the documentary that chronicles six people with diabetes and their journey to reverse their diabetes through food, not medicine.

Ewg.org
The Environmental Working Group website is an excellent resource for consumer health information and consumer guides on everything from nontoxic cleaning supplies to pesticides in produce to safe sunscreens.

TheChinaStudy.com
One of the best resources for the whole food, plant-based diet movement from T. Colin Campbell’s New York Times bestselling book, The China Study is a must-read for anyone who wants to learn the truth about nutrition.


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