# Filling Your Plate The Dietary Guidelines Way

### Follow the Dietary Guidelines for Americans with the foods you enjoy.

This simple meal plan provides a flexible and realistic way to get the most nutrition for your calories by focusing on nutrient-dense foods and beverages such as low-fat or fat-free milk and milk products, fruits, vegetables, lean protein, and whole grains.

#### **BREAKFAST: Jump Start the Day Parfait**

1 cup fat-free yogurt 1 cup sliced strawberries 1/2 cup low-fat granola



#### LUNCH: Hearty Roast Beef Sandwich

2 slices 100% whole-grain bread 3 oz. lean roast beef 1.5 oz. low-fat Colby cheese 2 slices tomato 1 teaspoon stone-ground mustard

#### Side Salad

2 cups spinach leaves 1/2 cup red pepper slices 2 tablespoons balsamic vinaigrette

Pear Slices 1 medium pear, sliced

**Fat-free Milk** 1 cup fat-free milk

#### **DINNER: Salmon with Fruit Salsa**

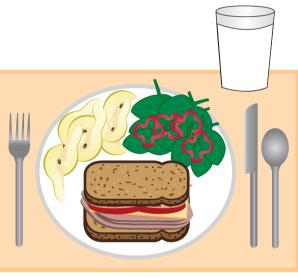
3 oz. salmon 1/2 cup diced pineapple 1/2 cup diced mango

Sauteed Green Beans 1/2 cup green beans 1 teaspoon olive oil

**Rice** 1 cup cooked rice

Fat-free Milk 1 cup fat-free milk

of less than 2,300 mg. of sodium.



## MORNING SNACK: Apple Dippers with Peanut Butter

1 small apple, sliced 2 tablespoons peanut butter



#### AFTERNOON SNACK: —— Hummus and Veggie Plate

1/2 cup baby carrots 1/2 cup green pepper slices 1/2 small pita 1/4 cup hummus





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2013 calories, 288 g carbohydrate, 110 g protein, 5% calories from sat fat, 143 mg cholesterol, 1928 mg sodium,

(3 oz. whole grains); and 10 oz. protein (3 oz. seafood). This meal plan was developed to reach a recommendation

39 g fiber. It also provides 4 c. low-fat or fat-free milk and milk products; 4 c. fruit; 3 c. vegetables, 6 oz. grains