

## **Gas Reducing Diet**

This guide will provide you with suggestions that may help reduce gas in your digestive system. Continue with your regular diet including fibre. Use this list as a guide only. Daily habits along with foods you choose to eat can increase the amount of gas in your digestive system.

Suggestions to reduce gas:

- Eat slowly
- Have loose fitting dentures re-fitted
- Reduce raw vegetables as excessive chewing can lead to more gas
- Avoid foods that may cause gas (see list below)

## FOODS THAT MAY CAUSE GAS:

| Dried peas  | Lentils         | Peppers     |
|-------------|-----------------|-------------|
| Broccoli    | Brussel sprouts | Cabbage     |
| Cauliflower | Turnip          | Eggs        |
| Melon       | Cucumber        | Onions      |
| Chives      | Pickles         | Sauerkraut  |
| Soft drinks | Beer            | Chewing gum |
| Alcohol     | Fried foods     |             |

## DO NOT:

- Talk while eating or eat when you are upset
- Drink with a straw or drink directly from a bottle
- Smoke or chew tobacco
- Chew gum or suck on candies
- Drink carbonated drinks
- Eat sorbitol and fructose (found in manufactured sugar-free foods)
- Drink hot beverages (let cool to lukewarm)

If you have symptoms from gas (such as bloating, abdominal pain) you can purchase **BEANO** from your local pharmacy. Take as directed on packaging.

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