## Digestive Soft Diet

## What foods does the digestive soft diet include?

The soft diet includes foods that are tender, moderately low in fiber and spices and should not include deep fried foods.

| Food Category | Foods to Include | Foods to Avoid |
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| Vegetables | Vegetable juice, well-cooked <br> potato \& sweet potato, carrot, <br> squash, turnip, parsnip, rutabaga | Corn, peas, raw \& fried vegetables, <br> vegetables with seeds, dried <br> legumes (beans and lentils), brussel <br> sprouts, gas producing vegetables <br> (e.g. broccoli, cauliflower, cabbage, <br> onions) |
| Fruit | Fruit juice, canned fruit, bananas, <br> ripe peeled fruit (e.g. peaches, <br> pears, plums, apricots), <br> avocados, citrus fruit with <br> membranes removed, seedless <br> melon | Dried fruit, seedy fruit (e.g. berries, <br> kiwis), fruit skin, fibrous fruit (e.g. <br> pineapple, rhubarb) |
| Grain Products | White, whole grain or rye <br> bread/buns/bagels/tortillas, rice, <br> noodles, soda crackers, plain <br> biscuits, hot cereal (e.g. oatmeal, <br> cream of wheat), cold cereal (corn <br> flakes, cherrios, krispies), | Bran (muffins, breads or cereals), <br> Multi-grain breads (with nuts, seeds, <br> or dried fruit), potato or corn chips, <br> wild rice |
| Milk and <br> Alternatives | Milk or soy beverage, cottage <br> cheese, mild brick cheese, cream <br> cheese, yogurt (With allowed <br> ingredients) | Sharp or highly seasoned cheeses, <br> yogurt with nuts, dried fruit or seedy <br> fruit |
| Meat and <br> Alternatives | All tender lean fish, poultry, beef <br> or pork, eggs, tofu, smooth nut <br> butter, hummus, | Nuts and seeds, fried meat, poultry, <br> fish or eggs, processed meats, fatty <br> meats, chunky nut butters |
| Beverages | Coffee, tea, fruit and vegetable <br> juices, milk or soy beverage, <br> water | Citrus juices if you have problems <br> with heartburn |
| Desserts | Custard, pudding, plain ice <br> cream, plain biscuits and cookies, <br> gelatin, angel food cake, peach <br> pie, plain hard candy, plain <br> chocolate, marshmallows | Any desserts containing nuts, dried <br> fruit or coconut, fried or high fat <br> pastries and donuts |
| Mild herbs and spices, salt <br> seedless jellies, margarine, oil, <br> mayonnaise. | Highly seasoned foods (e.g. <br> tobacco sauce, chili, red pepper <br> flakes, hot peppers, etc.) |  |

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## Sample Menu

## Breakfast

Oatmeal
1 \% milk on cereal
Small banana
Peach yogurt
Cranberry juice
Lunch
Egg salad sandwich on rye bread
Tomato soup
Applesauce
1 \% milk

Dinner
Baked chicken
Mashed potatoes
Carrots (well-cooked)
Diced canned peaches
1 \% milk

Night time snack
Mild cheddar cheese
Soda crackers

