Common Foods & Flavors of the **MEDITERRANEAN DIET**

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•• eat moderately

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• eat less often

Vegetables & Tubers

artichokes, arugula, beets, broccoli, brussels sprouts, cabbage, carrots, celery, celeriac, chicory, collard cucumber, dandelion greens, eggplant, fennel, kale, leeks, lettuce, mâche, mushrooms, mustard greens, nettles, okra, onions (red, sweet, white), peas, peppers, potatoes, purslane, radishes, rutabaga, scallions, shallots, spinach, sweet potatoes, turnips, zucchini

Grains

breads, barley, buckwheat, bulgur, couscous, durum, farro, freekeh, millet, oats, polenta, rice, wheat berries

Poultry & Eggs

chicken, duck, guinea fowl, quail chicken eggs, duck eggs, quail eggs

Fruits

avocados, apples, apricots, cherries, clementines, dates, figs, grapefruit, grapes, lemons, melons, nectarines, olives, oranges, peaches, pears, pomegranates, pumpkin, strawberries, tangerines, tomatoes

Fish & Seafood

abalone, cockles, clams, crab, eel, flounder, lobster, mackerel, mussels, octopus, oysters, salmon, sardines, sea bass, shrimp, squid, tilapia, tuna, whelk, yellowtail

Sweets

treats made with fruits, nuts, whole grains, and minimal sugars

baklava, biscotti, crème caramel, chocolate, gelato, kunefe, lokum (Turkish delight), mousse au chocolat, sorbet

Nuts, Seeds, & Legumes

almonds, beans (cannellini, chickpeas, fava, green, kidney), cashews, hazelnuts, lentils, pine nuts, pistachios, sesame seeds (tahini), split peas, walnuts

Herbs & Spices

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anise, basil, bay leaf, chiles, clove, cumin, fennel, garlic, lavender, marjoram, mint, oregano, parsley, pepper, pul biber (Aleppo pepper), rosemary, sage, savory, sumac, tarragon, thyme, za'atar

Cheese & Yogurt

Brie, Chevre, Corvo, feta, Halloumi, Manchego, Parmigiano-Reggiano, Pecorino, ricotta

Greek yogurt

Meats

beef, goat, lamb, mutton, pork

