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MAY IS INTERNATIONAL MEDITERRANEAN DIET

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A TIP A DAY
FOR THE MONTH
OF MAY

TUESDAY

VIVA LA PASTA

Easy, fast, and delicious!

Pair your favorite whole

wheat pasta with beans,

tomatoes, vegetables,

and olive oil.

Enjoy lentils in a salad, as a side dish, or as a "bed" for fish or meat.

WEDNESDAY

LOVE LENTILS

SPREAD IT!

Enjoy creamy hummus, tzatziki, muhummara, babah ganoush, and tapenade on pita or crackers or in a sandwich instead of mayonnaise.

THURSDAY

SMALL FISH

FRIDAY

Add new fish to your life! Try some of the Mediterranean's most healthy and delicious small fish: anchovies, sardines, and mackerel.

O IS FOR OLIVES

SATURDAY

So many ways to add olives to your life! Salads, pasta dishes, and snacks are just the beginning!

SPICE STARS

SUNDAY

Spices and herbs add flavor and fun to any dish! Try some new ones! Cumin, mint, oregano, and turmeric are all quintessential Mediterranean spices. **GO FOR GREENS**

MONDAY

Greens mix with grains, greens mix with beans, greens can be the base! Try them all!

GREEK YOGURT

A full-bodied, creamy treat. It is at home for breakfast, lunch, a pick-me-up snack, and in cooking. I ♥ OLIVE OIL

Try a new extra virgin olive oil today! Greek or Turkish, Moroccan, or Tunisian!

EGGS FOR DINNER

Eggs are not just for breakfast. Try a new egg dish for dinner—Tortilla Espanola or a Frittata from Italy or Shakshua (tomatoes and egg) from North Africa! **BEANS! BEANS!**

Explore a new world of Mediterranean beans in soup or a creamy dip, with pasta, or as a side dish.

PEANUTS+ CITRUS

Enjoy a new dessert! Serve peanuts in their shell, paired with oranges or clementines.

AVOCADO TOAST

It's yummy, whether for breakfast, lunch, or dinner! Enjoy mashed avocado on whole grain toast or pita.

FOOD FROM THE SEA

Aim for seafood twice a week and try different Mediterranean fish recipes. Flavor and health together!

MEZZE IS A MUST

Make your lunch a mezze lunch: hummus or muhummara, paired with raw carrots, cherry tomatoes, and whole grain pita bread.

MED WHOLE GRAINS

Try one of the recipes in Oldways' new book— Whole Grains Around the World.

HAPPY NATIONAL WALNUT DAY!

Top your salad, yogurt, or fruit with a handful of delicious walnuts, loaded with healthy omega-3s.

TOMATO!

Tomatoes came from the New World to the Old World, making them a favorite in Mediterranean cooking. Add tomatoes to a dish today. **HEALTH IN A CAN**

Canned beans are great if you are pressed for time. Equally useful are canned vegetables and tomatoes when fresh is out of season or out of reach.

MED VEGGIES

Make vegetables the star of a meal today! Change your routine by trying a Med pick like artichokes, fennel, eggplant, or fava beans.

HONEY HAPPINESS

Honey is not just for tea, coffee, or swapping for sugar. Add honey to your cooking for some extra flavor.

FABULOUS FIGS

Enjoy figs as a dessert, either alone or with cheese or ice cream. For an extra yummy treat, dip them in chocolate or stuff them with goat cheese and nuts.

MED BREAKFAST

Try the Oldways Mediterranean 1-2-3 breakfast: a whole grain, a fruit, and protein (eggs or Greek yogurt).

CHEESE!

Take a tour around the Mediterranean!
Try Feta from Greece,
Parmigiano-Reggiano from Italy, Manchego from Spain, or Halloumi from Cyprus.

PIZZA FRIDAY

It's Friday. Make your own pizza with whole wheat crust and your favorite vegetables and cheese.

DRIED FRUIT

Don't forget dried fruit like raisins, cherries, apricots, and others. They're especially great for those days when you're on the go!

PARTY PLATTERS

Instead of a deli platter, make a Med Platter. Olives, veggies, cornichons, hummus, and whole wheat pita toasts.

MED MEMORIAL DAY

For your Memorial Day BBQ this year, try shish kebabs paired with bulgur and walnut pilaf and a great green salad.

MED SOUPS

Soup is a great way to bring vegetables to the table. Try Spanish gazpacho or Italian pasta fagioli today!

NUTS TODAY

Nuts can add texture and healthy fats to many different dishes, sauces, snacks, and desserts. Almonds, walnuts, and pistachios are especially Mediterranean.

WALK! DANCE! BIKE!

Being active is just as important as the food you eat. Walking, dancing, and biking are all easy, fun ways to keep yourself moving!

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