

FOOD ELIMINATION: DAIRY

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THE FOLLOWING IS A LIST OF THINGS TO AVOID COMPLETELY

- ☐ Milk, Cream, Half-and-Half (includes even a little bit in tea or coffee) Butter
- ☐ Yogurt or Kefir Sour Cream
- ☐ Creamy salad dressings (e.g. blue cheese, ranch, thousand island) and many other containing cheese
 - Use vinaigrette (e.g. oil and vinegar) alternatives
- ☐ Creamy sauces (that a restaurant may put on fish, chicken, steak, or other foods) Ask for just olive oil and lemon on things like chicken or fish.
- ☐ Creamy soups or chowders
 - Focus instead on broth-based ones that don't include cheese of any kind.
 - If you're uncertain at a restaurant, **ask** if it's dairy-free or not.
- ☐ Cottage cheese and cream cheese
- ☐ Most muffins, scones, cookies, cake
- ☐ Definitely Puddings, Custard and related desserts (crème brulee, key lime pie, lemon meringue pie)
- ☐ Nougat (in most candy bars)
- ☐ Ice cream
- ☐ All cheeses (includes those from cow or goat milk)
 - Be mindful of where cheese may lurk in common American dishes (e.g. pizza, lasagna, spaghetti, tacos, chips, meatballs)
- ☐ Restaurant dishes or processed foods that might surprise you (e.g. meatloaf, scrambled eggs, sauces, soups, hot dogs, doughnuts, pastries, pancakes, mashed potatoes, chocolate)

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Though commonly confused with dairy foods, the following are fine to eat for dairy elimination:

Eggs and all egg derivatives, cocoa butter/powder, coconut foods including 'cream of coconut', cream of tartar, malt liquor, malt vinegar, malted barley, shea butter, all nut butters, and some calcium additives (calcium propionate, carbonate, citrate, or phosphate).

Note, although ghee is the leftover fat from butter and is technically free from milk proteins, some individuals are still sensitive to ghee. A trial elimination and re-introduction is the best way to find out if ghee is suitable for you.

In general, avoid any processed food ingredient that includes the words milk, butter, whey, casein, or lacto- in any way.

Many foods use preservatives or additives for texture that include dairy. This means you will need to avoid most baked goods unless they are specifically labeled dairy-free. To help you be diligent in your elimination, here are some particular ingredients to be sure to avoid:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Calcium Caseinate Casein | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sodium Caseinate |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Caseinate (in general) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Whey (Powder, Protein Concentrate, Protein Hydrolysate) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Curds | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Zinc Caseinate |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Delactosed Whey | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lactulose |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Demineralized Whey | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Magnesium Caseinate |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Goat Milk | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Malted Milk |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hydrolyzed Casein | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lactalbumin |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hydrolyzed Milk Protein | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lactoferrin |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Iron Caseinate | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lactoglobulin |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Potassium Caseinate | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lactose |
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When removing dairy foods, also be sure to include non-dairy calcium sources in the diet to compensate. Some common calcium-rich foods include: calcium foods: oranges, sesame seeds, almonds, leafy greens, broccoli, canned sardines and salmon (with bones), chia seeds, dried figs, beans, sunflower seeds, bok choy, and molasses.

Adapted from [Go Dairy Free: The Guide and Cookbook for Milk Allergies, Lactose Intolerance, and Casein-Free Living](#) by Alisa Marie Fleming and [GoDairyFree.org Calcium](#) by George Mataljan, World's Healthiest Foods <http://www.whfoods.com/genpage.php?tname=nutrient&dbid=45>