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There are some chores you can speed through - like loading and unloading the dishwasher or folding the laundry.

Others, like caring for houseplants and reorganizing a closet, take a little more attention and thought.

And then there's GROCERY SHOPPING, which requires both SPEED and ATTENTION to get it done in a way that serves:

- Your goals
- Your health
( Your schedule
- Your wallet

In fact, grocery shopping is more than just a chore - it's a basic LIFE SKILL a lot of us take for granted!

That's because the foods you choose become the meals you eat to nourish and fuel your body.

I created this guide to help you simplify and streamline your grocery shopping so you can save time and money AND make it easier to hit your goals.

Inside you'll find everything you need to streamline your shopping trips for major results!


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## Grocery Shopping 101

## SOME QUICK STATS:

- People make an average of 8 trips a month to the grocery store ${ }^{1}$

The average person spends more than 2 hours each week shopping for groceries

- In 2022, people spent an average of \$5,703 on food eaten at home (and another \$3,639 on food eaten away from home)! ${ }^{2}$

Saturday is the most popular day for grocery shopping, with almost 41 million people making the trek to the store

That's a lot of time and money.

There's good news:

Time-efficient shopping can actually HELP you make great food choices.

You just need a strategy... and a plan!

## YOUR 10-MINUTE



- Do 1 "big" grocery trip a month for pantry items like oatmeal, almond butter, rice, beans, olive oil, etc. This trip may take a little longer than 10 minutes - but consider it an investment in time saved over the next few weeks!

Once a week, use your "Cart Smart 10-Minute Sprint" guidelines to shop for perishables (produce, meat and fish, eggs, etc.).

Keep a running list of things you need. As soon as you notice you're running low on something, add it to the list.

## HELPFUL TIP

Rely on tech (like your phone or Alexa device) to help you keep your grocery list up-todate.


Before you hit the store, spend 10 minutes creating your meal plan, complete with a list of any ingredients you need.

Do a quick scan to see which perishables (dairy, produce, meats) need replenishing.

Go shopping!
Later in this ebook, you'll find TWO master shopping lists. One is for your monthly "big" grocery trip and the other is for your weekly "10minute sprint."


This is when a lot of the magic happens - having a clear plan is a key part of a successful grocery trip.

It takes just a few minutes of "grocery prep" time to ensure you'll be making healthy, delicious meals, saving money, and spending LESS TIME in the store.
\#1 Create a meal plan for the coming week, and add the necessary items to the grocery list you've already been keeping
*2 Scan the fridge, pantry, and cabinets to see if you're running low on any perishables
*3 Organize your list according to your store's layout
\#4 If you feel the least bit hungry right before you go shopping, eat a healthy snack so you aren't tempted by junk food
\#5 If possible, go to the store when it's not busy (i.e., not on a Saturday afternoon)
\#6 Give yourself a time limit for shopping the inner aisles, like 5 minutes!

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- Even though this trip will take longer than 10 minutes, stay focused on what's on your list to avoid temptation.
- Repeat this mantra: Necessary aisles only! This will save you time AND money.
- Customize this list based on your needs and household habits.


## GRAINS \& LEGUMES

Quinoa
Brown rice
Lentils
Chickpeas
Whole wheat or gluten-free pasta
Rolled oats
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## CANNED \& JARRED GOODS

Organic diced tomatoesCoconut milk (unsweetened)
Natural almond or peanut butter
Low-sodium vegetable broth
Canned beans (e.g., black beans, kidney beans)


## NUTS, SEEDS \& DRIED FRUITS

AlmondsWalnuts
Chia seeds
Flaxseeds
Dried (unsulfured, unsweetened) fruits

NATURAL SWEETENERS \& OILS
Raw honey or maple syrup
Coconut sugar
Extra virgin olive oil
Coconut oil
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## HERBS, SPICES \& CONDIMENTS

Sea salt
Black pepper
Turmeric
Cinnamon
Garlic powder
Italian seasoning
Coconut aminos

## HOUSEHOLD ESSENTIALS

Eco-friendly laundry detergentBiodegradable trash bags
Bamboo or recycled toilet paper Natural cleaning products (all-purpose cleaner, dish soap)
Paper towels (recycled or bamboo)

## PERSONAL CARE

Natural shampoo \& conditioner
Toothpaste
Body wash
Deodorant

## WEEKLY CART-SMART © <br> 

- Make this list your own, based on healthy foods and meals that you love.
- Focus on seasonal produce (local if possible!) for freshness and better pricing.
- Check the expiration and "best by" dates on perishables like milk, eggs, meat, etc.
- Give yourself bonus "staying organized" points for checking items off as you put them in your cart.


## FRESH FRUITS

Apples
Bananas
Berries (strawberries, blueberries, etc.)
Oranges
Seasonal fruits (e.g., peaches in summer, pears in fall)

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## FRESH VEGETABLES

Leafy greens (spinach, kale, mixed salad greens)
Broccoli
Bell peppers
Carrots
Zucchini
Seasonal vegetables (e.g., asparagus in spring, squash in fall)


## DAIRY \& EGGS

Milk or dairy alternative
Greek yogurt or plant-based yogurt
Cheese (feta, goat, cashew, etc.)
Free-range eggs
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## MEAT \& SEAFOOD

Chicken breast or thighs
Lean beef or pork
Fish (salmon, tilapia, etc.)
Shrimp or other seafood
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## BREAD \& BAKERY

Whole grain or sourdough bread
Tortillas (whole wheat or corn)
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## REFRIGERATED ITEMS

Hummus
Tofu or tempeh
Fresh pasta
Sauerkraut/kimchi/pickles

## FROZEN FOODS

Frozen fruits (for smoothies)Frozen vegetables (peas, green beans, etc.)Frozen seafood or plant-based protein alternatives II SIEPS:

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If you're a busy person looking for a better way to create a healthy lifestyle so you can live a long successful life, we want o invite you to experience an easier approach that's already gotten 100's amazing results.

## Ways to Work Woth Me.

 One on One Training
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## Group Exercise



We'd love to be part of your fitness/wellness journey.

## NAME

Results
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1 https://moneyzine.com/personal-finance-resources/grocery-shopping-statistics/
2. https://www.bls.gov/news.release/cesan.nrO.htm

