# BEST AND WORST FOODS FOR ARTHRITIS CHECKLIST

### **Anti Inflammatory Diet Recommendations**

# ✓ To reduce joint pain and reduce inflammation □ Eat low amounts of trans fats and saturated fats. □ Eat a lot of fruits and vegetables. □ Eat plenty of foods that are high in omega 3 fatty acids, such as fish and walnuts. □ Decrease the intake of white rice and pasta, which are high in refined carbohydrates. □ Choose whole grains, such as wheat bread and brown rice. □ Choose spices that have anti-inflammatory properties, such as curry and ginger. □ Avoid highly processed or refined foods and instead make food from scratch.

☐ Select lean meat sources, such as poultry, avoiding red meat and

dairy products that are high in fat.

# **Best Foods For Arthritis**

Fish
Plant Oils (Omega-6 Fatty Acids)
□ Extra Virgin Olive Oil
□ Avocado Oil
□ Safflower Oil
□ Evening Primrose Oil
Omega-3 Fatty Acids (balanced with Omega-6 intake)
□ Walnuts
□ Flaxseed
□ Soybeans
□ Tofu
□ Shrimp
□ Brussels Sprouts
□ Cauliflower
□ Pacific oysters
Soy Products
Cherries

Cauliflower and Broccoli
Low or Nonfat Dairy Foods
Vitamin D Enriched Foods
Leafy Green Vegetables
□ Kale
□ Spinach
☐ Swiss Chard
□ All Greens
Green Tea
Citrus Fruits
□ Lemons
□ Oranges
□ Limes
☐ Grapefruits

□ Beans			
□ Red Beans			
□ Pinto Beans			
☐ Kidney Beans			
□ Whole Grains			
□ Whole Grain Cereal			
□ Brown Rice			
☐ Steel Cut Oatmeal			
□ Allium Vegetables			
□ Garlic			
□ Leaks			
□ Onions			
□ Nuts			
□ Pistachios			
□ Almonds			
□ Pine Nuts			
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# **Foods To Avoid**

### These foods increase inflammation

□ Trans fats	
☐ White bread, pasta, rice and other starches	
□ Saturated fats	
□ Meat	
□ Full Fat Dairy	
□ Certain Omega 6 fatty Acids	
□ Soybean oil	
□ Corn oil	
□ Safflower oil	
□ MSG	
□ Gluten	
□ Wheat	
□ Rye	
□ Barley	
☐ Any Foods made with above grains including	ng white flour