

Joyful Meals & Happy Treats



Joyful Meals and Happy Treats include whole, plant-based ingredients that decrease inflammation and boost mood:

- 1. Apples, berries, grapes
- 2. Onions
- 3. Green tea
- 4. Spices such as cloves, oregano, cinnamon, and nutmeg.
- 5. Tryptophan-rich foods such as dark chocolate, sesame, sunflower and pumpkin seeds.

Based on these scientifically proven joyful ingredients, we can come up with different recipes, such as:

- 1. Hot or iced-matcha latte
- 2. Apple Nachos
- 3. Date Snickers
- 4. Baked Oatmeal
- 5. Fresh salads with fruits
- 6. Blueberry cupcakes
- 7. Chocolate mousse
- 8. Chai latte
- 9. Tahini-spiced hot chocolate
- 10. Very berry smoothie

- 11. Chocolate covered strawberries
- 12. Frozen grape skewers
- 13. Matcha cheesecake
- 14. Pumpkin energy balls
- 15. Pumpkin seed pesto
- 16. Pumpkin seed crackers
- 17. Tahini cookies
- 18. Onion soup
- 19. Caramelized onions
- 10. Baked sweet potato with tahini dressing and pumpkin seeds

Here are all of the ingredients that Melanie uses for the five recipes that she demonstrates in the video lesson:

1. Iced-Matcha Latte:

matcha powder, unsweetened plant-based milk, ice, water.

2. Apple Nachos:

red apple, cinnamon, sunflower butter, cacao nibs.

3. Date Snickers:

dark chocolate bar, dates, sunflower butter, cinnamon.

4. Baked Oatmeal:

apples, rolled oats, dates, sunflower butter, walnuts, cinnamon, nutmeg, cloves.

5. The Happy Salad:

fresh kale, shredded carrots, fresh blueberries, red apple, pumpkin seeds. **Tahini dressing:** tahini, liquid aminos/low sodium soy sauce, dates, lemon, minced garlic, onion, oregano, smoked paprika, pepper.

Always remember measurements and quantities are not strictly necessary when it comes to whole food plant-based cooking.



It's important for you to practice and develop your skills little by little.

I promise, you'll feel more confident as you practice and this way you won't need to follow a paper with exact instructions every time you want to prepare a meal.

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If you'd like to purchase Melanie's step-by-step Cookbook with 40+ plant-based recipes she has created, send her an email hola@somosplantpowered.com