## Introduction

A combination of healthy balanced eating and leading an active lifestyle is the most effective way to manage weight over the long term. This 7-day meal plan is based on meeting the recommendations outlined in the Australian Guide to Healthy Eating and is created by an Accredited Practising Dietitian. It includes plenty of tasty and healthy recipes to help make the achievement of your weight related goals enioyable!

## Optional Extra Daily

To ensure your meal plan is realistic and sustainable, you may like to include an optional extra a few times a week. Examples include a glass of wine, a small piece of chocolate, or a sweet biscuit. Each of these items provide an additional 600kJ taking your daily kilojoule intake to approximately $6,800 \mathrm{~kJ}$.

Notes about this meal plan:

- This meal plan provides approximately $6,200-6,800 \mathrm{~kJ}$ daily and is based on the average energy requirements to achieve weight loss in a 20-50 year old woman who undertakes a light level of activity. Those who are very active may need to eat more.
- Energy requirements vary depending on age, activity, health status, height and weight. For personalised advice, seek the services of an Accredited Practising Dietitian
- Those with a medical issue should seek advice from a medical practitioner before commencing a weight loss plan.


## Meal Plan - Weight Loss

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