Sample Menu for High Triglycerides

Day 1

Breakfast

3/4 cup oatmeal with fresh strawberries

Skim milk

1/2 cup orange juice

Snack

Vegetables and hummus

Coffee with skim milk

Lunch

Avocado sandwich on whole grain bread with tomato, lettuce, and mozzarella cheese

Grain salad (quinoa, bulgur, barley)

Snack

1/4 cup nuts

Dinner

Chicken breast, baked

Baked potato with non-fat sour cream and chives

Mixed green salad with olive oil and vinegar

Snack

2 cups popcorn (air popped or popped in vegetable oil, seasoned with herbs/spices)

Nutrition Info

Calories: 1785 kcal Fat: 84.1 g Saturated fat: 16.4 g Cholesterol: 98.4 g Carbohydrate: 191.6 g Sugar: 41 g Fibre: 39.4 g

Day 2

Breakfast

Peanut butter and banana sandwich on whole grain bread

1/2 cup orange juice

Coffee with skim milk

Snack

3/4 cup yogurt with berries

Lunch

Lunch salad with greens, canned fish (salmon or tuna), assorted vegetables and vinaigrette

Whole wheat pita bread

Snack

Whole grain crackers

2oz low-fat cheese

Dinner

Vegetarian pad thai with rice noodles and assorted vegetables

Snack

Low-fat ice cream or frozen yogurt

Nutrition Info

Calories: 1879 kcal Fat: 65.1 g Saturated fat: 16.1 g Cholesterol: 109.1 mg Carbohydrate: 247.1 g Sugar: 89.4 g Fibre: 27.4 g



Tips:

Drink water throughout the day and avoid sugar-sweetened beverages (fruit juice cocktails, sodas, iced tea), limit alcohol intake

Limit added fats to unsaturated oils and margarine, avoid butter, lard, shortening, and coconut oil

Day 3

Breakfast Fruit smoothie Toasted English muffin with margarine *Snack*

Apple

Low fat cheese

Lunch Chicken salad sandwich on whole grain bread

Baked potato chips

Snack

1/4 cup almonds

Dinner

Vegetarian chili topped with low fat sour cream

Tortilla chips with guacamole

Snack Greek yogurt with berries



Nutrition Info

Calories: 1855 kcal Fat: 65.8 g Saturated fat: 10.3 g Cholesterol: 30.1 mg Carbohydrate: 266.4 g Sugar: 72 g Fibre: 43 g

Day 4

Breakfast Omelet with 1/2 cup cooked vegetables Whole grain toast Whole orange

Coffee with skim milk

Snack 3/4 cup Greek yogurt

One banana

Lunch

Tuna melt on whole wheat English muffin with low fat cheese

Mixed green salad with vinaigrette

Snack

Apple with peanut butter

Dinner

Pasta with tomato sauce and mixed vegetables

Broccoli (steamed or boiled/sautéed in extravirgin olive oil)

Snack

Hummus with carrots

Nutrition Info

Calories: 2012 kcal Fat: 61.9 g Saturated fat: 12.2 g Cholesterol: 228.2 mg Carbohydrate: 277.4 g Sugar: 105.1 g Fibre: 30 g



This diet can be easily modified for people who also suffer from high cholesterol:

- Limit consumption of whole eggs to one-two per week and opt for egg whites only
- Look for orange juice and margarine that is fortified with plant sterols
- Limit consumption of shrimp and squid, which are both high in cholesterol