

Build a Basic Packet Meal

Ingredients

Protein	Vegetables	Spices	Toppings/Sauces
 Ground beef patty Fish fillet Skinless chicken breast Skinless chicken thighs Boneless pork chop Tofu slices 	 Whole kernel corn Black beans Zucchini or Squash Carrots Bell peppers Onion Cherry or diced tomatoes Potatoes Olives Mushrooms Sweet potatoes 	 Salt Pepper Paprika Dry mustard Chili powder Oregano Thyme Basil Italian seasoning Tarragon Lemon slices 	 Salsa Lemon juice Dry white wine Worcestershire sauce Barbeque sauce Italian dressing Teriyaki sauce Cheddar cheese Monterey Jack cheese Mexican style cheese

Directions:

- 1. Choose your protein, vegetable, spices and topping/sauces.
- 2. Wash and cut selected vegetables into small, evenly-sized pieces.
- 3. Cut a 12" x 12" square of parchment paper or aluminum foil for each packet.
- 4. Assemble your packet with hardy vegetables such as potatoes or carrots on the bottom.
- 5. Brush both sides of protein source with olive oil and place on top of hardy vegetables.
- 6. Add the tender vegetables such as tomatoes, mushrooms and olives.
- 7. Drizzle with topping/sauces and sprinkle with desired spices.
- 8. Top packet with cheese if desired.
- 9. Fold over the sides of packet to meet in the middle and fold down. Fold ends of packet over to seal well. Do not slit the packet.
- 10. Place packet on a baking pan and bake at 450 degrees F for 20–30 minutes.
- 11. Allow packet to rest for 5 minutes and then transfer to individual plates. Unfold the packets with caution, as steam will be released.

Suggested Combinations

Ground beef patty, salt, pepper, onion, potato, carrot and Worcestershire sauce

Chicken breast, salsa, black beans, corn and Cheddar cheese

Flounder fillet, salt, pepper, Italian seasoning, zucchini, carrots, red bell pepper, onion and dry white wine (or water)

Salmon fillet, salt, pepper, lemon slice, oregano, thyme and basil