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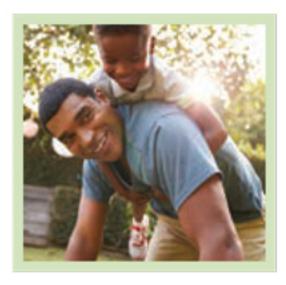
Stay Hydrated This Summer

What is SIBO?

The Dish on Parmesan Cheese

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Father's Day



On June 18th, it's Dad's special day! If you're looking to say thanks with a little special something, Choices has all sorts of stuff to help you. For the grill-master dad, Choices' meat department has many varieties of premium organic cuts of meat, as well as grass-fed beef and Ocean Wise seafood options. Does dad love to cook with unique ingredients? Why not try specialty oils like walnut, sesame, avocado or flax? Our wellness department is also home to some great men's personal care products, like deodorants and aftershaves made from natural ingredients.

Italian Heritage Month



Though there may be some other worthy contenders, Italian food is likely the most universally loved cuisine on the planet. There's just something about pizza, pasta, parmesan and olive oil that leads to a love of Italian food that you'll find in just about every community.

Choices' has always been about offering up the best of the best when it comes to food, so that's why we sell some truly great imported Italian items. So how do you know what to look for when you're looking for the highest quality Italian products on our shelves? Look for one of these two logos:



They indicate that a product has been certified to be of the utmost quality, and is guaranteed to originate from a region of Italy specific to the product. The blue logo stands for Protected Geographical Indication. This means that the food is guaranteed to be crafted in a certain region through time honored techniques. The red logo indicates Protected Designation of Origin. These foods are both grown and produced in specific and strictly defined regional zones. By looking for these labels you know that you are not purchasing an imposter, but the real deal sourced all the way from Italy.

Italian Day on the Drive



This year, Choices celebrates Italian Day on the Drive on Sunday, June 11th. Italian Day on the Drive is a vibrant and exciting street festival that respects the heritage of immigrant cultures on Vancouver's Commercial Drive. This fourteen-block street festival is huge and exciting, a true feast for all the senses. Choices will have a tent outside of our Commercial Drive location where we'll be offering up a barbeque with free samples off a freshly cracked open wheel of Italian parmesan cheese.

COOK IT UP

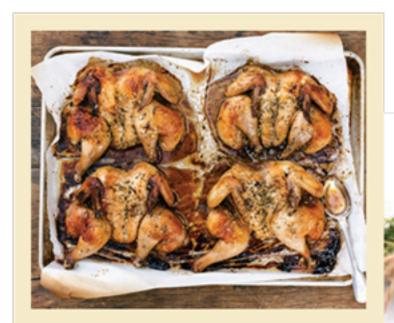


Kombucha Chicken

a modern take on a classic recipe

Courtesy of RISE Kombucha

20 MINUTES PREP + 12 HOURS MARINATING





I chicken 414ml RISE Ginger 125ml (1/2 cup) soya sauce I tbsp finely chopped ginger 2 tbsp chopped thyme leaves I tbsp fennel seeds Salt & pepper Olive oil

Combine ginger, soya sauce, RISE & chicken. Marinate for 12 hours. Finally, time for that Lord of the Rings marathon!

Preheat oven to 400°F.

Remove chicken from marinade, and place on baking sheet lined with parchment paper. Add olive oil, thyme, fennel, salt & pepper.

Bake on the centre rack of oven for about I hour or until the internal temperature of the thickest part of the chicken reaches 165°F. Let sit for 5 minutes before serving.



ENTER TO WIN

Win a Membership to the Vancouver Aquarium

Courtesy of Raincoast Trading

Win one of 4 Family Memberships or one of 10 General Admission Passes to the Vancouver Aquarium.





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Contest open from June 1 to 30, 2017. One entry per person. All entries must have the skill testing question answered correctly to be valid. Employees of Choices Markets and their family members are not eligible. The prize must be accepted as awarded, no substitutions will be made, cash or otherwise. No cash value if prize is not claimed or used fully. Winners consent to the release of their names (and photo when applicable) by Choices Markets for publicity purposes. Entries can be dropped off at any Choices location. Winner is responsible for picking up their prize from the Choices location of their convenience. There can be no repeat winners for Choices contests throughout 2017.

Upcoming Events

MARK YOUR CALENDAR



Electropollution

with Farren Lander, Health Homes Environmental

Wednesday, June 14 |7:00 - 8:30pm Choices South Surrey

Tuesday, June 20 |6:30 - 8:00pm Choices Abbotsford

Thursday, June 22 |7:00 - 8:30pm Choices Kitsilano Floral Shop & Annex

Learn more about natural occurring earth energies, manufactured energies and the risks associated with them. Plus, learn how you can protect yourself.

Free seminar, registration required. See top of page 5 for registration info.

Monday, June 19 7:00 - 8:15 pm

Wellness with Plant Medicine

with Laynah H. Lafond, Medical Herbalist

Choices Kelowna

Learn why choosing plants over artificial chemical compounds to restore wellness may be right for you.

Free seminar, registration required. Register online or call 250-862-4864.





You Can Brew Kombucha

with the Choices Nutrition Team

Tuesday, June 6 | 6:30 - 7:30 pm Choices Kerrisdale

Thursday, June 15 | 6:30 - 7:30 pm Choices Abbotsford

Wednesday, June 21 6:30 - 7:30 pm Choices South Surrey

Ever wondered how to make your own deliciously bubbly probiotic kombucha? The Nutrition Team will share their secrets for a perfect brew, plus a few of their favourite flavour combinations and the secret to growing your own SCOBY.

Free events, online registration required. See top of page 5 for registration information.

Tuesday, June 6 7:00 - 8:00 pm

The 3 Secrets of Stress

with Dr. James Whillans, DC, LifeWorks Family Chiropractic

Choices Kelowna

Learn about the detrimental effects of stress! Dr. James will share the three secrets of stress and how to ensure it does NOT affect your health.

Free seminar, registration required. Register online or call 250-862-4864.



REGISTRATION DETAILS

To register for events, visit choicesmarkets.com/events.
For inquiries, please call 604.952.2266 or email eventregistration@choicesmarkets.com.

Please note: these seminars and events are for information purposes only. For any health-related seminars or events, no diagnosis or specific treatments will be prescribed.

Tuesday, June 13 7:00 - 8:30 pm

Stop the Digestive Madness!

with Dr. Juliet Ghodsian, ND, Sage Clinic

Choices Kitsilano Floral Shop & Annex

Learn more about the role of small intestine bacterial overgrowth (SIBO) in digestive dysfunction.

Free event. Register online. See top of page 5 for registration details.



Wednesday, June 7 7:00 - 8:30 pm

Healthy Skin from the **Inside Out**

with Dr. Heidi Lescanec, ND

Choices Kitsilano Floral Shop & Annex

Learn about how skin is a reflection of your overall health. We will also cover the naturopathic approach to treating various health conditions.

Free event. Register online. See top of page 5 for registration details.



Talk & Tastes: Kefir

Thursday, June 15|3pm or 4pm Choices South Surrey | 604-541-3902

Talk & Tastes: Healthy Hydration

Saturday, June 10 Ipm, 2pm or 3pm Choices Abbotsford | 604-744-3567

Monday, June 19 |2pm, 3pm or 4pm Choices North Vancouver 604-770-2868

Thursday, June 29|3pm or 4pm Choices South Surrey | 604-541-3902

Sign up for a FREE 30 minute group session with our instore nutritionists and dietitians to learn more about the healthiest ways to hydrate this summer.

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Raincoast Canned Seafood

Assorted Varieties

Raincoast Trading was proudly the first retail package to bear the Ocean Wise® symbol and in honour of World Oceans Day on June 8th we're giving away 4 Family Memberships and 10 General Admission Passes to the Vancouver Aquarium. Membership to the Vancouver Aquarium directly support their conservation, research and education initiatives while members receive numerous benefits and unlimited admission. See page 3 for contest entry form.

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An assortment of the best Asian-inspired sauces for your pantry.

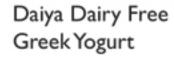


Rocky Mountain Gourmet Frozen Pizza

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Select Varieties



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Silk Almond Beverage

Assorted Varieties

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Cool Family Health

How to hydrate and keep your family cool this summer

ummer is here in BC, and if your family is anything like mine you've been waiting for the sunshine all year. In summer we spend plenty of time hitting the local beaches here in Vancouver and on the North Shore. My boys and I love swimming, skipping rocks, climbing logs, finding treasures, and enjoying picnics at the beach.

Here are my top 5 tips for keeping your family cool this summer:

Bring Water Wherever You Go

Make sure to always pack a water bottle for each child and one for yourself on any hike, day at the beach, or even a quick stop at the park. We sometimes underestimate how hot it can get here during our West Coast summers

Hydrating Food and Drinks

While drinking water is especially important on a hot summer day, balancing electrolytes is essential. A rehydrating drink such as coconut water, fresh pressed veggie or fruit juice, an electrolyte powder added to water, or a combination drink (see my recipe for a Rehydration Drink below) will ensure you and your kiddos can keep your energy levels high all day long.) Some foods that keep our electrolytes balanced during a heat wave are fresh cucumber, celery sticks, juicy berries, and sliced watermelon. These make great choices to keep snacking kids cool and hydrated and they are easy to pack for a picnic or day at the beach.

Electrolyte Rich Foods from the Mediterranean Diet

Other snacks that keep our salts and sugars balanced might include foods that are considered part of the Mediterranean Diet. Foods such as olives, seaweed snacks, trail mix, and hummus and grainy crackers. These foods aren't just great for the health of your heart, they also readily keep your blood sugars balanced and contain healthy amounts of salt to keep blood pressure normalized. The people of the Mediterranean experience warmer temps much more often than we do here on the West Coast so it only makes sense to draw from their experience.

Shelter, Shade, and Sun Shirts

Us West Coasters are so excited to see the sun and to finally amp up our vitamin D levels that we can occasionally forget that we've been under a cloud for 9 months. Your body needs time to adjust to this heat so make sure to take breaks from the sun by snacking under a tree, going indoors for a break, and definitely keeping your skin protected. My favourite sun protection for kids is a sun shirt and hat. Even the best sunscreen can't protect skin 100%, so keeping sensitive skin covered is the best way to keep kids cool and to prevent sun damage.

Happy summer everyone! It's a beautiful time of year for family fun and social events, and getting your vitamin D. Stay cool out there.



Rehydration Drink Recipe

This combination of ingredients is rich in magnesium, potassium, sodium, plenty of micro minerals, fruit sugars, vitamin C, water, and it is alkalinizing. Great for post-exercise rehydrating and drinking on a hot summer's day at the beach.

Adults – Drink 2 cups post-workout and 1 cup as needed to rehydrate after sweating.

Kids - Drink 1/2 cup to rehydrate after sports, activities, or beach play.

Combine in 500mL bottle:

Coconut water 250 ml Water 250 ml Natural Calm magnesium powder 1/2 tsp Baking soda 1/4 tsp Himalayan rock salt 1/4 tsp Juice of I lemon or lime



Dr. Julie Durnan ND is a naturopathic physician and owner of Restoration Health Clinic in North Vancouver, BC. The clinic provides natural medicine and acupuncture treatment for hormone balance, children health, food allergy, complementary cancer support, and pain relief. Dr. Durnan is dedicated to delicious medicine and raising vibrant children. www. restorationhealthclinic.com

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SIBO: The Missing Link

By Dr. Juliet Ghodsian, ND



What is SIBO and how does it relate to my IBS symptoms?



Irritable Bowel Syndrome (or IBS) is a commonly used diagnosis for a collection of chronic digestive problems including: constipation, abdominal cramping, bloat, gas, indigestion, etc. Over the years, there have been many approaches to managing these problematic symptoms including fiber, probiotics, stress management and food elimination. More recent findings have led to the development of a new understanding of the underlying cause of problematic or irritable digestion. This new understanding involves the concept that irritability or disruption of digestive function is actually being created by the very bacteria that colonize your intestinal tract.

The acronym SIBO stands for Small Intestine Bacterial Overgrowth. SIBO is a label for a constellation of changes that can take place in the upper part of the digestive tract. These changes are the direct result of over-colonization by bacteria in any part of the small intestine, but most commonly the upper portions. These bacteria upset the balance of your immune system, disrupt normal intestinal movement, and release large amounts of gas as they metabolize carbohydrates in food. Once the digestive process has been destabilized, the immune system follows closely behind. SIBO, once initiated in the small bowel, has broad impact on the overall physiology of your body and is challenging to rehabilitate, especially if it has been in place for years to decades. Thankfully our understanding of this disruption has grown dramatically over the past 5 years and effective protocols are available to restore balance to your system. Find a practitioner today that is trained in SIBO treatment that can help you find the answers you need!



Join Dr. Ghodsian at the Kitsilano Floral Shop and Annex on Tuesday, June 13 for her seminar Stop the Digestive Madness. See page 5 for more details.



Dr. Juliet M Ghodsian has been practicing naturopathic for 13 years. The process of living with and healing herself from an inflammatory bowel disease has provided her with many insights into underlying causes, and complicating factors in digestive disorders, autoimmunity and chronic inflammatory conditions. Book an appointment Dr. Ghodsian at Sage Clinic for more information visit: www.sageclinic.com

Nothing Fishy About This...

By Choice Nutritionist D'Arcy Furness, RHN

Making the healthiest seafood purchasing decisions for ourselves and the planet have typically pointed to wild, sustainably caught fish. Yet, with steadily increasing demand, how long will our wild stocks last? What if we could choose a locally farmed fish that was Certified Organic and Ocean Wise endorsed?

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The New "White" Steak

The buttery, mild flavour and firm texture of sturgeon are unmatched and combine to give this fish a delicious, meaty mouthfeel - perfect for those who may shy away from fish because of texture or flavour. As a good source of omega-3 fatty acids, protein, vitamins A and B12, calcium, selenium and iron, and at a fair price for a gourmet fish, sturgeon might just become your new favourite!



Steam it, Bake it or Grill it

Use sturgeon in any recipe calling for a firm, white fish. My favourite way to prepare sturgeon is to simply grill it. Rub all sides with a garlic clove, brush on some olive oil and season with sea salt and freshly ground black pepper and then grill it for about 3 minutes for each inch of fish. You can also see a great way to prepare sturgeon with Chef Antonio's recipe on page 11.



Are you looking for healthy variety in your diet?

Let the Choices Nutrition Team help.

Each month in our stores you'll find green labels on certain products, indicating our Dietitians' Top Choices.

Choice Produce Picks

Radishes:

This cruciferous vegetable is packed with vitamin C. Did you know the green radish tops contain nearly six times as much vitamin C as the root? Add the fresh tops to a salad or try roasted radishes to take on the go as a snack. Plus, their crisp, spicy bite can clear any palette.



TASTY TOP CHOICES RECIPE

Roasted Radishes

Trim the top and stem ends off, then slice the radishes in half. Toss them with about I tablespoon of avocado oil and some salt and pepper. Arrange them cut-side down on a cooking sheet and roast at 450°F for about 10 to 12 minutes.

Take them out when their white faces have browned a little, but they're still firm inside. Sprinkle with a little more salt, a finely chopped garlic clove, and some minced parsley.



Naturally Yours



Gardener's Dream Cream:

Gardener's Dream Cream was founded on Salt Spring Island and is made with love and 100% pure essential oils. This cream is the ultimate go-to for any gardener or hand cream lover. Gardener's Dream Cream is now the winner of over 28 National Awards of Excellence!

Bulk Basics



Walnuts are the only nut to contain a significant amount of the plant-based omega-3, alpha-linolenic acid. One ounce of walnuts also offers 4 grams of protein, 2 grams of fibre, and is a good source of magnesium. Maintain the fresh taste of walnuts by keeping them cold as walnuts go rancid when exposed to warm temperatures for long periods of time. Enjoy as a snack, in a salad or granola.

Grocery Gossip



Wedderspoon Honey KFactor:

Wedderspoon Honey was founded in 2005 by a Canadian husband and wife team with a passion to bring Manuka honey to the North American market. Today they are the first Non-GMO Project verified Manuka honey in the world! Manuka honey is a special kind of honey that comes from the Manuka flower nectar gathered by bees in New Zealand. Wedderspoon's KFactor trademark guarantees a specific percentage of the pollen grains are Manuka pollen grains.

Veggemo:

Veggemo has the smoothness and creaminess of 2% dairy milk, but is made from veggies. Veggemo is rich in calcium, vitamin D, and is an excellent source of vitamin B12. Peas provide protein, nutrition and flavour, tapioca from cassava gives Veggemo a creamy texture, while potatoes make the nondairy beverage smooth and milky-white. Enjoy on its own and use it instead of cream in soup or smoothies.





Wize Money Tea:

The coffee plant's best kept secret! Coffee leaf tea has been traditionally consumed for hundreds of years in Ethiopia and Indonesia and thanks to two local Vancouverites this tea is now being enjoyed in over 35 countries. A great source of the antioxidant chlorogenic acid and the rare polyphenol mangiferin, this lightly caffeinated tea will provide a clean clarity and focus without the crash.



Can-Asian Northern Divine Organic White Sturgeon Salad

By Chef Antonio

- Serves 4 -

Sturgeon is mildly flavoured with a firm texture, making it a great alternative to meat. Sturgeon is rich in heart healthy omega-3 fatty acids, as well as calcium, vitamin A, B12, E, selenium & iron.

400 grams sturgeon fillets cut in 1/2 inch thick medallions 3 cups Napa cabbage, shredded 2 1/2 tbsps tamari 3 tbsps freshly squeezed lime juice 2 tbsps toasted sesame oil 2 tbsps maple syrup I small fresh chili, chopped (optional) I tbsp cilantro, chopped I tbsp mint, chopped I tsp ginger, grated I tbsp brown sugar

Place sturgeon medallions on a lightly oiled baking sheet. Sprinkle with brown sugar and a pinch of salt. Place under broiler on high for approximately 10 minutes, on a middle shelf until brown, ensuring no burning occurs. Remove and set aside.

In a bowl mix all ingredients except for cabbage. Lightly whisk to combine and then add cabbage. Toss medallions in salad cold or warm, based on your preference and when you will be serving the salad. If you wish to serve later, allow fish to cool prior to tossing with all other ingredients

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armigiano Reggiano, with its distinctive taste and texture, is the undisputed king of artisanal cheese. The history of parmesan goes all the way back to the 14th century. It was originally produced to be able to help with preserving product longer. It's aged a minimum of 12 months and produced in large wheels so that it can be stored in natural cellars and travel safely without fear of spoilage.



The first legal document regulating parmesan production dates back to 1612, and the most recent was written in 1952. Parmigiano Reggiano can only be produced in five designated Italian provinces, but there are some other interesting restrictions. Parmesan can only be made with a mixture of skim milk from an evening milking and fresh whole milk that is collecting in the morning. It must be aged for a minimum of twelve months, but can be aged for as long as ninety months. All wheels are clearly marked by their origin, and can be traced back to the farm, dairy and cheesemaker accurately.

Whether as your starting appetizer or all the way to desert, parmesan can surprise you at any point of your meal. A few ways you might start out could be a simple appetizer of rough chunked parmesan with slices of fresh prosciutto, drizzled with aged balsamic vinegar, dipped in roasted tomato

reduction or parsley oil and fresh bread. Try shaving fresh parmesan on fish or carpaccio or, of course, in a crisp Caesar salad. Make melted parmesan crisps into cheesy baskets for serving and snacking on. Most risottos, soups and pasta dishes simply wouldn't be the same without a finishing touch of parmesan. Cheese fondue, vegetable gratin and savoury crepes are just a few more ways you can enjoy it. There's a million ways to experiment with this amazing cheese.

When preparing your parmesan dish, always wait till the last moment to dice, shred or grate your cheese. This will ensure you get the most flavour and fragrance. Tightly wrap your cheese piece when you're done with it to preserve the quality and fragrance. When you think you've finished your cheese and have just the rind remaining, don't even think about throwing it out! Save the rinds and add them to soup broths to impart an amazing flavour. Once the broth has softened the cheese, go right ahead and enjoy it as a flavourful treat. One way that I like to use the rinds is to stick them on a hot BBQ until the rind has doubled in size and starts bubbling. I slide that onto a piece of crusty bread and enjoy it once it's cooled down enough for my mouth to handle it.



As an Italian chef, I recognize that Parmigianno is just one type of delicious cheese; however nothing comes close to the flavour and versatility of Parmigianno Regianno, the one true king.



Like parmesan as much as Chef Antonio? Stop by Choices on the Drive in Vancouver this Italian Day (June 2nd) for a free sample of parmesan cheese from a freshly cracked open wheel. You won't want to miss this event!



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Eco Audit

Reducing our environmental impact, we chose to print our newsletters on 100% post consumer recycled fibres. Look what we saved this month:

Tree(s): 27 Waste: 1,199 kg Water: 97,773 L

Greenhouse Gas Emissions: 3,932 kg CO2

Smog: 5 kg NOx Energy: 23 GJ

Results based on the Rolland Environmental Calculator

Kids Summer Cooking Camp



Kids in the Kitchen with Project CHEF

Kitsilano Floral Shop and Annex Camp runs July 10 – 14 or July 17 - 21 for Kids Aged 7 to 11 9:30 am – 1:30 pm

In this hands-on summer camp kids will learn to cook multiple seasonal recipes each day from trained chefs, teachers and nutritionists and dietitians

Cost is \$325 plus tax. Fee includes instruction, lunch and snacks and a recipe booklet. To register and prepay for this camp, visit choicesmarkets.com/events.

To learn more about Project CHEF visit projectchef.ca. All proceeds from this camp will benefit Project CHEF a non-profit organization dedicated to bringing real food and cooking skills to Vancouver schools.