

Foods rich in omega 3 fatty acids will help your baby's brain development. We've highlighted in brown foods that are rich in omega 3 fatty acids. Calcium and vitamin D help to grow strong bones and teeth. We've highlighted in blue foods that are rich in calcium.

Betacarotene is important for healthy skin and blood. We've highlighted in **light orange** foods that are rich in **betacarotene**. You'll need plenty of **iron-rich foods** to help your body make red blood cells for your growing baby. We've highlighted in **green** foods that contain **iron**.

Throughout pregnancy, you need to limit your caffeine intake. We have highlighted in dark orange the foods containing caffeine.

Tip: Stay in direct sunlight for half an hour a day to boost your vitamin D levels. Vitamin D is important to absorb the calcium in your food.

	Breakfast	Snack	Lunch	Snack	Dinner
Monday	Finger millet (ragi) porridge Apple juice	Mango	Chicken buttermilk curry Green or raw banana palya/poriyal Rice	Orange juice Mixed sprouts	Chickpeas curry Parotta
Tuesday	Stuffed cauliflower dosa Coriander coconut chutney Lemonade	Banana	Minced meat pulao Beetroot and onion salad Curd	Ginger tea Steamed masala corn	 Potato peas and cauliflower masala Snake gourd palya/poriyal Chapati
Wednesday	Carrot uthappam Mint chutney Glass of milk	Orange	 Red lentils and spinach dal Egg curry Chapati/rice 	LassiVegetable samosa	Tamarind rice Cucumber kosambaril kosumalli Curd
Thursday	Idli Sambhar with drumstick and ladies finger Tender coconut water	Handful of walnuts and dried apricot	Cottage cheese (paneer) masala Beans and carrot palya/poriyal Chapati	Lemonade Black chickpeas sundal	Curd rice Roasted papad Mango chutney
Friday	Wholewheat toast Scrambled eggs Orange juice	Figs	Chettinad chicken masala Garlic rasam Ghee rice	Sweet lime juice Puffed rice with peanuts	Black eyed peas curry Chapati
Saturday	Flattened rice (aval/avalakki) with potato and peas Lassi	Sapota	 Ladies' finger and tomato curry Bitter gourd masala Rasam Rice 	Tender coconut water Banana	Mutton curry Onion raita Chapati/rice
Sunday	Ven pongal Coconut chutney Filter coffee	Pomegranate	Mixed vegetables sambhar Bottle gourd palya/poriyal Cucumber salad Curd Rice	Buttermilk (moru/majjige) Roasted nuts and dried apricot	Prawn masala with coriander leaves Coconut rice

Note: Lentils (dal) are also a good source of iron.