NON-GMO SHOPPING GUIDE

How to avoid foods made with genetically modified organisms (GMOs)



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To learn more about GMOs, consult the books Genetic Roulette: The Documented Health Risks of Genetically Engineered Foods by Jeffrey M. Smith or Your Right to Know: Genetic Engineering and the Secret Changes in Your Food by Andrew Kimbrell. Information on GMOs is also available at www.centerforfoodsafety.org and www.HealthierEating.org.

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How to avoid brands made with genetically modified organisms (GMOs)

Genetic Engineering (GE) or Genetic Modification (GM) of food involves the laboratory process of artificially inserting genes into the DNA of food crops or animals. The result is called a genetically modified organism or GMO. GMOs can be engineered with genes from bacteria, viruses, insects, animals, or even humans. Most Americans say they would not eat GMOs if labeled, but unlike most other industrialized countries, the U.S. does not require labeling.

This Non-GMO Shopping Guide is designed to help reclaim your right to know about the foods you are buying, and help you find and avoid GMO foods and ingredients.

Tips for avoiding GM crops

TIP #1: BUY ORGANIC

Certified organic products are not allowed to contain any GMOs. Therefore, when you purchase products labeled "100% organic," "organic," or "made with organic ingredients," all ingredients in these products are not allowed to be produced from GMOs. For example, products labeled as "made with organic ingredients" only require 70% of the ingredients to be organic, but 100% must be non-GMO.

TIP #2: LOOK FOR"NON-GMO" LABELS

Companies may voluntarily label products as "non-GMO." Some labels state "non-GMO" while others spell out "Made Without Genetically Modified Ingredients." Some products limit their claim to only one particular "At-Risk" ingredient such as soy lecithin, listing it as "non-GMO."

TIP #3: AVOID AT-RISK INGREDIENTS

Avoid products made with any of the crops that are GM. Most GM ingredients are products made from the "Big Four:" corn, soybeans, canola, and cottonseed, used in processed foods.

Some of the most common genetically engineered Big Four ingredients in processed foods are:

Corn

- Corn flour, meal, oil, starch, gluten, and syrup
- Sweeteners such as fructose, dextrose, and glucose
- Modified food starch*

Soy

- Soy flour, lecithin, protein, isolate, and isoflavone
- Vegetable oil* and vegetable protein*

Canola Canola oil (also called rapeseed oil)

Cotton Cottonseed oil

*May be derived from other sources

In addition, GM sugar beets may soon enter the food supply. Look for organic and non-GMO sweeteners, candy and chocolate products made with 100% cane sugar, evaporated cane juice or organic sugar, to avoid GM beet sugar.

TIP #4: BUY PRODUCTS LISTED IN THIS SHOPPING GUIDE

Keep this Guide with you whenever you shop. Store it inside your reusable shopping bag, put into your coupon holder or check book, or leave it in your car.

FRUITS & VEGETABLES

Very few fresh fruits and vegetables for sale in the U.S. are genetically modified. Novel products such as seedless watermelons are NOT genetically modified. Small amounts of zucchini, yellow crookneck squash, and sweet corn may be GM. The only commercialized GM fruit is papaya from Hawaii about half of Hawaii's papayas are GM.

MEAT, FISH & EGGS

No genetically modified fish, fowl, or livestock is yet approved for human consumption. However, plenty of non-organic foods are produced from animals raised on GM feed such as grains. Look for wild rather than farmed fish to avoid fish raised on genetically modified feed, and 100% grass-fed animals.

Eggs: Non-GMO

Egg Innovations Organic Eggland's Best Organic Land O'Lakes Organic Nest Fresh Organic Organic Valley Pete and Jerry's Organic Eggs Wilcox Farms Organic

ALTERNATIVE MEAT PRODUCTS

Many alternative meat products are processed and include ingredients that can be genetically engineered, so give the ingredient lists close attention to avoid the Big Four at-risk ingredients, especially soy.

Non-GMO

May contain GMO ingredients

365 Brand (Whole Foods) Amy's Sunshine Burger Vitasoy Wildwood White Wave Boca, unless labeled organic (Kraft) Gardenburger Morningstar Farms, Morningstar Farms Natural Touch, unless labeled organic (Kellogg)

DAIRY PRODUCTS & ALTERNATIVE DAIRY PRODUCTS

Some U.S. dairy farms inject the genetically engineered hormone rbGH, also called rbST, into their cows to boost milk production—so be sure to purchase products with a label that indicates cows free of rbGH or rbST. Many alternative dairy products are made from soybeans and may contain GM materials.

Dairy Products: Non-GMO

Certified Organic

Alta Dena Organics Butterworks Farm Harmony Hills Dairy Horizon Organic Morningland Dairy Natural by Nature Organic Valley Dairy Radiance Dairy Safeway Organic Brand Seven Stars Farm Straus Family Creamery Stonyfield Farm Wisconsin Organics

Produced Without rbGH National

Alta Dena Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream Brown Cow Farm Crowley Cheese of Vermont Franklin County Cheese Grafton Village Cheese Great Hill Dairy Lifetime Dairy

West Coast

Alpenrose Dairy Berkeley Farms Clover Stornetta Farms Joseph Farms Cheese Sunshine Dairy Foods Tillamook Cheese Wilcox Farmily Farms

Midwest and Gulf States

Chippewa Valley Cheese Erivan Dairy Yogurt Promised Land Dairy Westby Cooperative Creamery

East Coast

Blythedale Farm Cheese Crescent Creamery Derle Farms (milk with "no rbST" label only) Erivan Dairy Yogurt Farmland Dairies Oakhurst Dairy Wilcox Dairy (rbST-free dairy line only)

May contain GMO ingredients

Colombo (General Mills) Dannon Kemps (aside from "Select" brand) Land O' Lakes Parmalat Sorrento Yoplait (General Mills)

Alternative Dairy Products

Non-GMO

Belsoy EdenSoy Imagine Foods/Soy Dream Nancy's Cultured Soy Pacific Soy Silk Soy Delicious Sun Soy Stonyfield Farm O'Soy Tofutti VitaSoy/Nasoya WestSoy WholeSoy Yves The Good Slice Zen Don

May contain GMO ingredients

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BABY FOODS & INFANT FORMULA

Milk or soy protein is the basis of most infant formulas. The secret ingredients in these products are often soy or milk from cows injected with rbGH. Many brands also add GMO-derived corn syrup, corn syrup solids, or soy lecithin.

Non-GMO

Baby's Only (certified organic products) Earth's Best Gerber products HAPPYBABY Organic Baby

May contain GMO ingredients

Beech-Nut Enfamil Good Start Nestlé Similac/Isomil

GRAINS, BEANS & PASTA

Other than corn, no GM grains are sold on the market. Look for 100-percent wheat pasta, couscous, rice, quinoa, oats, barley, sorghum, and dried beans (except soybeans).

Non-GMO

Annie's Natural Pasta Bob's Red Mill (organic line) Eden certified organic grains Kamut Lundberg Family Farms Vita-Spelt pasta

Packaged Meals

Non-GMO

Amy's Annie's Homegrown certified organic macaroni & cheese Casbah (Hain-Celestial) Dr. McDougall's Right Foods Fantastic Foods Lotus Foods Lundberg Farms Rice Sensations Organic Planet Seeds of Change certified organic boxed meals

May Contain GMO Ingredients

Betty Crocker meals (General Mills) Knorr (Unilever) Kraft Macaroni & Cheese meals Lipton meal packets (Unilever) Near East (Quaker) Pasta Roni and Rice-A-Roni meals (Quaker)

CEREALS & BREAKFAST BARS

Cereals and breakfast bars are very likely to include GMO ingredients, because they are often made with corn and soy products.

Non-GMO:

Barbara's (organic line) Cascadian Farms EnviroKidz Golden Temple Grandy Oats Health Valley (organic line) Lundberg® Purely Organic Rice Cereal Nature's Path Omega Smart Bars Peace Cereal Organic

May Contain GMO Ingredients

General Mills Kellogg Post (Kraft) Quaker

BAKED GOODS

While baking ingredients such as wheat flour, rice, kamut, and oats are not genetically modified, many packaged breads and bakery items contain other GMO ingredients such as corn syrup.

Non-GMO

Arrowhead Mills (organic line) Bakery on Main Bob's Red Mill (organic line) Dr. McDougall's Right Foods Dr Oetker Organics Eden French Meadow Natural Ovens Bakery (organic line) Nature's Path Rumford Baking Powder

May Contain GMO Ingredients

Aunt Jemima (Pinnacle Foods) Betty Crocker (General Mills) Calumet Baking Powder (Kraft) Duncan Hines (Pinnacle Foods) Hungry Jack (Smucker's) Pillsbury (Smucker's)

FROZEN FOODS

Many frozen foods are highly processed. Keep an eye out for the Big Four at-risk ingredients and stay away from frozen foods that contain them, unless they are marked organic or non-GM.

Non-GMO

A.C. LaRocco Amy's Kitchen Cascadian Farms Organic frozen meals and vegetables Cedarlane Linda McCartney frozen meals

May Contain GMO Ingredients

Boca, unless labeled organic (Kraft) Celeste (Pinnacle Foods) Eggo Waffles (Kellogg) Gardenburger Green Giant frozen meals (General Mills) Healthy Choice (ConAgra) Kid's Cuisine (ConAgra) Lean Cuisine (Nestle) Marie Callender's (ConAgra) Morningstar Farms, Morningstar Farms Natural Touch, unless labeled organic (Kellogg) Rosetto Frozen Pasta (Nestle) Stouffer's (Nestle) Stouffer's (Nestle) Swanson (Campbell's) Tombstone (Kraft) Totino's (Smucker's) Voila! (Birds Eye/Unilever)

SOUPS, SAUCES & CANNED FOODS

Many soups and sauces are highly processed, so give the ingredient lists close attention to avoid the Big Four at-risk ingredients.

Soups

Non-GMO

Amy's Fantastic Foods Health Valley/Westbrae Imagine Natural Natural/Hain ShariAnn's Organics Walnut Acres certified organic

Sauces/Salsas

Non-GMO

Amy's (organic line) Annie's Natural Green Mountain Gringo & certified-organic salsa Muir Glen Organic pasta sauce & salsa Seeds of Change certifiedorganic pasta sauce Walnut Acres certified-organic pasta sauce

May Contain GMO Ingredients

Chef Boyardee, Healthy Choice (ConAgra) Campbell's products (including Healthy Request, Chunky, Simply Home, and Pepperidge Farm) Hormel products Progresso products (General Mills)

May Contain GMO Ingredients

Bertolli (Unilever) Chi-Chi's (Hormel) Classico (Heinz) Del Monte Healthy Choice (ConAgra) Hunt's (ConAgra) Old El Paso (General Mills) Pace (Campbell's) Prego (Campbell's) Ragu (Unilever)



Canned Food

Non-GMO

Amy's Annie's Natural ShariAnn's certified organic beans Westbrae certified organic beans Yves Veggie Cuisine (Hain Celestial)

May Contain GMO Ingredients

Chef Boyardee Dinty Moore, Stagg, Hormel (Hormel) Franco-American (Campbell's)

CONDIMENTS, OILS, DRESSINGS & SPREADS

Unless labeled explicitly, corn, soybean, cottonseed, and canola oils probably contain genetically modified products. Choose pure olive, coconut, sesame, sunflower, safflower, almond, grapeseed, and peanut oils. Also choose preserves, jams, and jellies with cane sugar, not corn syrup.

Non-GMO

Annie's Braga's liquid amino Drew's salad dressing Emerald Cove Emperor's Kitchen Follow Your Heart Harvest Moon Mushrooms I.M. Health SovNut Butters Maranatha Nut Butters Miso Master Muir Glen organic tomato ketchup Nasova Newmans Own Organic Spectrum oils and dressings SushiSonic Asian Condiments Vegan by Nature Buttery Spreads Vigoa Cuisine

May Contain GMO Ingredients

Crisco (Smucker's) Del Monte Heinz Hellman's (Unilever) Kraft condiments and dressings Mazola Pam (ConAgra) Peter Pan (ConAgra) Skippy (Unilever) Smucker's (except their "Simply 100% Fruit" line of preserves) Wesson (ConAgra) Wish-Bone (Unilever)

SNACK FOODS

Look for snacks made from wheat, rice, or oats, and ones that use sunflower or safflower oils. There is no GM popcorn on the market, nor is there blue or white GM corn.

Snacks

Non-GMO

Barbara's (organic line) Bearitos/Little Bear Organics (Hain Celestial) Garden of Eatin' Grandy Oats Hain Pure Snax/Hain Pure Foods Health Valley Kettle Foods Nature's Path Organic Namaste Foods Newman's Own Organics & Newman's Own (except salad dressing)

May Contain GMO Ingredients

FritoLay (Lay's, Ruffles, Doritos, Cheetos, Tostitos) Hostess Products (Interstate Brands) Keebler (Kellogg's) Kraft (Nabisco, Nilla Wafers, Oreos, Ritz, Nutter Butter, Honey Maid, SnackWells, Teddy Grahams, Wheat Thins, Triscuit) Pepperidge Farm (Campbell's) Pringles Quaker Oats Company



Energy Bars

Clif Bar Genisoy Bars Lara Bar Luna Bar Macrobars Nature's Path Nutiva Odwalla Optimum Energy Bar Organic Food Bar Weil by Nature's Path Organic

May Contain GMO Ingredients

Balance Bar Nature Valley snack bars and granola bars (General Mills) Nabisco Bars (Kraft) PowerBar (Nestle) Quaker Granola Bars

CANDY, CHOCOLATE PRODUCTS & SWEETENERS

Many sweeteners, and products like candy and chocolate that contain them, can come from GMO sources. Look for organic and non-GMO sweeteners, candy and chocolate products made with 100% cane sugar, evaporated cane juice or organic sugar to avoid GM beet sugar, and watch out for soy lecithin in chocolates and corn syrup in candies.

The sweetener aspartame is derived from GM microorganisms. It is also referred to as NutraSweet® and Equal® and is found in over 6,000 products, including soft drinks, gum, candy, desserts, yogurt, tabletop sweeteners, and some pharmaceuticals such as vitamins and sugar-free cough drops.

Chocolate

Non-GMO

Chocolove Endangered Species Chocolate Ghirardelli Chocolate Green & Black's Organic Chocolate Newman's Own

Candy

Non-GMO

Jelly Belly Reed's Crystallized Ginger candy (certified organic) St. Claire Organic

Sweetners

Non-GMO

Sweet Cloud

May Contain GMO Ingredients

Hershey's Nestlé (Crunch, Kit Kat, Smarties) Toblerone (Kraft)

May Contain GMO Ingredients

Hershey's Lifesaver (Kraft) Nestlé



SODAS, JUICES & OTHER BEVERAGES

Most juices are made from GMO-free fruit (avoid papaya though, as it could be GMO), but the prevalence of corn-based sweeteners—e.g. high-fructose corn syrup—in fruit juices is cause for concern. Many sodas are primarily comprised of water and corn syrup. Look for 100-percent juice blends.

Non-GMO

After the Fall organic juices Big Island Organics Blue Sky Cascadian Farm Crofters Organic Eden Odwalla Quinoa Gold R.W. Knudsen organic juices and spritzers (Smucker's) Santa Cruz Organic (Smucker's) Sea20 Organic Energy Drink Teeccino Herbal Caffe Walnut Acres Organic Juices

May Contain GMO Ingredients

Coca-Cola (Fruitopia, Minute Maid, Hi-C, NESTEA) Hansen Beverage Company Hawaiian Punch (Procter and Gamble) Kraft (Country Time, Kool-Aid, Crystal Light, Capri Sun, Tang) Libby's (Nestlé) Ocean Spray Pepsi (Tropicana, Frappuccino, Gatorade, SoBe, Dole) Sunny Delight (Procter and Gamble)

SPECIAL NOTE: This guide was compiled based on company statements, not genetic testing. Any product labeled as Non-GMO indicates that its manufacturing process is designed to avoid GMOs, but consumers should be aware that GM contamination is possible due to natural pollen movement, weather events, seed contamination, or human error. Hence there is no guarantee such products are 100% free of GMOs.

INVISIBLE GM INGREDIENTS

Processed foods often have hidden GM sources (unless they are organic or declared non-GMO). The following are ingredients that may be made from GMOs.

Aspartame baking powder caramel color cellulose citric acid cobalamin (Vitamin B12) corn gluten corn masa corn oil corn syrup cornmeal cornstarch cyclodextrin cystein dextrin dextrose diacetyl diglyceride fructose fructose (crystalline) glucose glutamate glutamic acid gluten glycerides

glycerin alvcerol glycerol monooleate alvcine hemicellulose high fructose corn svrup (HFCS) hydrogenated starch hydrolyzed vegetable protein inositol invert sugar (colorose or inversol) tamari isoflavones lactic acid lecithin leucine lysine malitol maltodextrin maltose mannitol methylcellulose

milo starch modified starch monosodium glutamate MSG oleic acid Phenylalanine phytic acid sorbitol sov flour sov isolates soy lecithin soy protein starch stearic acid inverse syrup tempeh threonine tocopherols (Vitamin E) tofu trehalose triglyceride vegetable fat vegetable oil Vitamin B12 Vitamin E xanthan gum

Ascorbic acid (Vitamin C) although usually derived from corn, is probably not GM because it is not likely made in North America. These companies support your right to choose Non-GMO products and have contributed toward the printing of this guide:











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