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Flavor, Balance, and Practicality

At a time when meals on the go are becoming more common, the **lunchbox** stands out as a **practical** and **flexible** solution for having lunch away from home. Much more than just a container, it offers many advantages.

This newsletter reveals the keys to a successful lunchbox and tips to get started today.

With the help of our "Call to Action" section, make the most of our lunchbox factory to quickly design well-balanced lunchbox.



# **→** The advantages of lunchboxes

#### To grab a quick bite



For many of us, **lunch breaks** are often **short**, leaving little time to prepare or go out to eat.

The lunchbox makes mealtime easier: easy to carry and already prepared, it allows you to eat without wasting time, wherever you are.

#### Compose, enjoy, take control

Preparing your lunchbox lets you choose **ingredients according to your tastes and nutritional needs**. Even with a busy schedule, it allows you to eat a **complete and balanced meal**.

It also offers the opportunity to prioritize **fresh**, **seasonal** foods. Pleasure and health guaranteed!



#### Avoid ultra-processed foods



Meals on the go sold in stores are generally ultra-processed products (industrial sandwiches, ready meals, pasta boxes...), rich in saturated fats, salt, and sugar, and lacking essential nutrients.

A well-prepared lunchbox significantly reduces this exposure, thus limiting associated risks such as overweight, obesity, diabetes, or cardiovascular disorders.

#### Eat better while spending less

Preparing your lunchbox is usually **more economical** than buying ready-to-eat meals from supermarkets, bakeries, or other points of sale.

This allows you to better manage your monthly food budget.



#### Zero stress



Planning and preparing meals in advance turns lunch into a calm and pleasant moment. By preparing your lunchbox ahead of time, you avoid last-minute stress and impulsive food choices, sometimes influenced by emotions, leading to less healthy options.

This organization supports mindful eating, where every ingredient is chosen carefully and with pleasure.

#### Good for the planet

Cooking for yourself reduces industrial processing, refrigeration, transport, and waste, which is why the lunchbox generally has a lower environmental impact than ready-made meals.

By prioritizing **local and seasonal ingredients**, the ecological impact of meals can be further reduced. Finally, choosing your own ingredients and portions helps limit food waste, making consumption more responsible.



#### Extra tip: boost your concentration



Having a meal already prepared reduces the risk of skipping lunch and encourages regular eating, essential for maintaining energy and alertness throughout the day.

A balanced and enjoyable lunch will help you optimize your concentration and performance during the afternoon.

Conversely, a meal that is too heavy and/or rich in fats can lead to a drop in attention.

# **◆**The container, the foundation of your lunchbox

#### Different container materials

	Glass	BPA-free plastic	Stainless steel
<b>✓</b>	Ecological Durable No odors or stains	Light	Ecological Durable Light No odors or stains
×	Heavy Fragile	Less durable Less ecological Possible microplastics Risk of odors/stains	Not microwave-safe More expensive

#### Criteria not to overlook

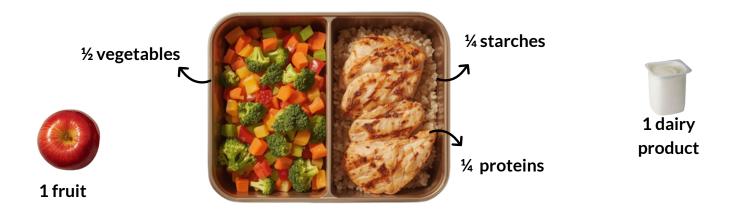
Choosing the right lunchbox is not just a matter of style, but above all of **practicality**!

Think about **leakproofing** to avoid spills, **compartments** to keep flavors separate, and whether you want a heated or **insulated** lunchbox depending on your needs and preferences at the moment.



## **→ Your balanced lunchbox**

When preparing your lunchbox, think of it like a balanced plate, the same principles apply, namely:



# **→** Tips for creating your lunchbox



# Vary the colors



A diversity of colors is often a sign of a variety of vitamins.

In addition, a colorful lunchbox is often more **appetizing**! !

Tip: Aim for at least 3 colors.

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## **Batch cooking**



This consists of preparing in a single session a large quantity of dishes (chopped vegetables, cooked starches, etc.). With a bit of organization, you can prepare 3 to 4 varied and balanced lunchboxes in advance.

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# Play with textures



To make your meals more appealing and avoid monotony, think about playing with textures: something **crunchy** (carrots, nuts, seeds), something **soft** (sweet potato, avocado...), or something **creamy** (yogurt sauce, cheese).

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### **Enhance flavors**



Playing with **spices and herbs** can transform a simple dish into a unique taste experience. In addition to stimulating your taste buds, they also bring **health benefits** (e.g., antioxidant).

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#### **Change styles**



Poke bowls, mixed salads, wraps, dishes, sandwiches, or Buddha bowls; so many ideas to **vary your lunchboxes.** 

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## **Boost your dish**



Whether oil-based or yogurt-based, sauce is an essential element to bring flavor and variety.

To preserve the texture of your ingredients, keep it in a separate container.

#### **→** Conclusion



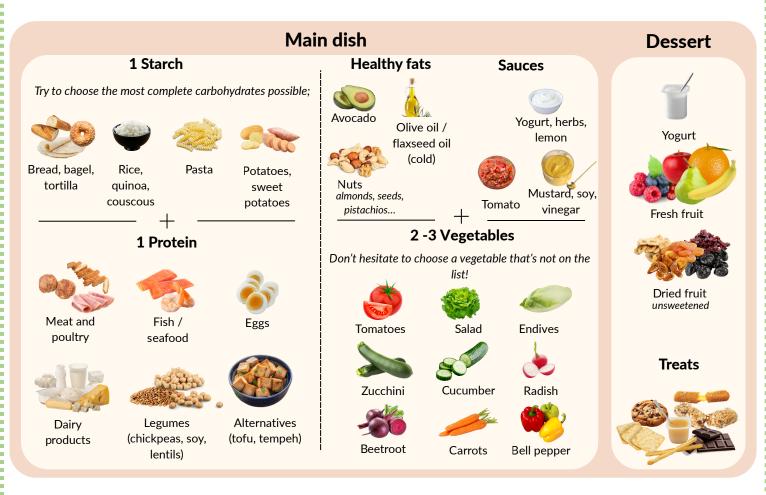
The lunchbox is a real **ally for eating balanced meals daily**, while **saving time** and **reducing mealtime stress**. If your work environment allows it, **don't hesitate to give it a try**: with a little organization and creativity, each lunch can become a delicious and enjoyable moment.

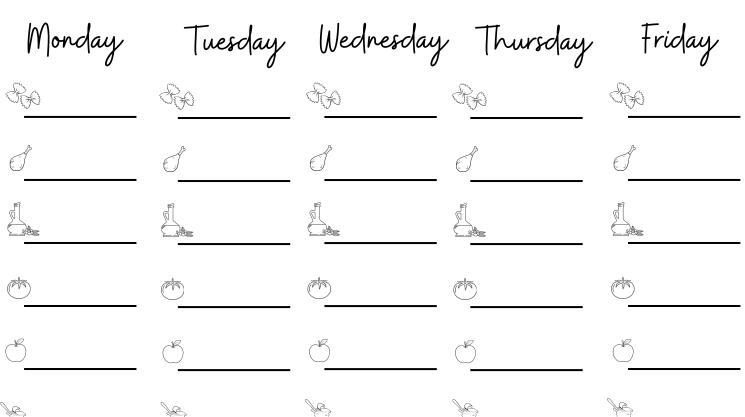


# My Lunchbox Factory



It's your turn: organize your weekly lunchboxes by selecting items from each category!





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