

Brain Bulletin #69

The Colour Purple



Why does your brain need a steady diet of purple?

Your brain craves purple foods. They are good for your heart and your brain. And remember...what's good for your heart is good for your brain. Poor nutrition and lack of dietary knowledge can inhibit your ability to reach maximum cerebral achievement.

Purple foods are packed with polyphenols. That's what produces the beautiful rich colour.

Polyphenols help keep your arteries and blood vessels healthy and flexible. This reduces your risk of Alzheimer's and heart disease.

Adding purple foods to your diet enhances brain function. Studies have shown that eating a cup of blueberries daily can improve the way your brain cells communicate with each other. The result is a better memory!

These are all a regular part of my diet:

blueberries

grapes

raisins

plums

prunes

purple kale

beets

kidney beans

purple cabbage

acai berries

eggplant

and, of course, some of these are great as juice.

When you are planning your meals and snacks be sure to put purple on your plate and in your glass. You brain will thank you.

For a list of more great brain foods click here: Is Your Brain Rancid?

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Twitter is a great way to learn and fuel your brain. I just posted a great article called, "Is There a Genius in All of Us?"

I will be posting, or tweeting as it's called, regularly about the brain. What I'm reading, watching, thinking, doing....all as it relates to your brain. Twitter restricts tweets to 140 characters, so it is always quick and to the point. No time wasting!

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I had a great month. Lots of rest, reading, and relaxation over Christmas with family. I even managed to keep my weight down this time.

Last week I got to speak to the City of Richmond, MDA Corp., the Dept. of Fisheries and Oceans and teachers at GW Graham School in Chilliwack. On Tuesday I am off to Sonthofen, Germany to keynote the BOSCH Worldwide Sales and Marketing Conference. I love Germany....especially the food!

I am taking a great book to read on the plane: "On Being Certain - Believing You are Right Even When You're Not" by Robert Burton.

.....always remember: "You are a genius!"

Enjoy your brain,

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