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# August 2025 Lunch Specials



Sunday	MEATLESS	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
Did you know	?	,	. 1				
<ul> <li>Entrées in GREEN are Vegan or Vegetarian</li> <li>Everything is priced a la carte</li> <li>Breakfast is served 7:30-10am</li> <li>Lunch is served 11:30-2pm</li> </ul>				A La Carte  Entrée\$7.75  Vegan Entrée\$5.50  Starch\$2.00  Vegetable\$2.00	1 French Dip Stuffed Squash Potato Wedges Coleslaw	Turkey Tacos Spanish Rice Corn on the Cob	
Dinner is served 5-7pm			WW	Sandwich\$7.00	Chicken Salad		
3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
Thai Chicken Curry Naan Flatbread Carrot-Cumin Slaw	Niçoise Salad Vegan Niçoise French Bread Gazpacho	Chicken Stir-Fry Tofu Stir-Fry Veg Pot Stickers Cucumber Salad	Burger Bar Vegan Burger Bar Onion Rings Side Salad	Cobb Salad Vegan Cobb Quinoa & Rice Pasta Salad	Pork Lettuce Wraps Vegan Lettuce Wraps Fried Rice Spring Rolls	Tamales Refried Beans Roasted Squash	
	Turkey Pesto Panini	Greek Tuna Wrap	Chili Dog	Greek Tuna Wrap	Turkey Bacon Wrap		
10	11	12	13	14	15	16	
BBQ Chicken Pasta Salad Creamy Coleslaw	Kale Salad Vegan Kale Salad Corn Bread Watermelon Mint Salad Chicken Caesar	Flank Steak Portabella Steak Baked Potato Roasted Cauliflower	Gyro Chickpea Falafel Greek Orzo Baba Ganoush with Pita	Crispy Chicken Sandwich Meatless Chik'n Sandwich Macaroni & Cheese Creamed Spinach	Salmon Caesar Salad Vegan Caesar Salad Warm Bread Watermelon Mint Salad	Ramen Pot Stickers Spring Rolls	
	Wrap	Reuben	Turkey & Chz Panini	Italian Sub	Turkey Reuben		
17	18	19	20	21	22	23	
Alaskan Sole Wild Rice Steamed Broccoli	Shrimp Ceviche Quinoa Patty with Mango Salsa Oat Muffin Spinach Salad	Turkey Pot Pie Vegan Pot Pie Cheddar Biscuit Vegan Broccoli Salad	Tuna Avocado Boats Vegan Avocado Boats Toasted Croissant Watermelon Salad	Carnitas Burrito Bowl Vegan Burrito Bowl Rice and Beans Chips & Guacamole Buffalo Chicken	Chicken Parmesan Eggplant Parmesan Garlic Bread Green Beans	Uncured Honey Ham Scalloped Potatoes Glazed Carrots	
	Portabella Panini	BLT	Egg Salad Sandwich	Sandwich w/ Swiss	Meatball Sub		
24	25	26	27	28	29	30	
Lasagna Dinner Roll Spinach	Pozole Vegan Pozole Chips and Salsa Jicama Slaw	Greek Turkey Burger Greek Portabella Burger Orzo Salad Greek Salad	Bento Beef Salad Tofu Bento Salad Soba Noodles Peas & Carrots	Sausage & Kale Alfredo Vegan Sausage & Kale Pesto Pasta Sweet Potato Arugula Salad	Butter Chicken & Rice Vegan Curry & Rice Naan Flatbread Carrot-Cumin Slaw	Shrimp Scampi Warm Bread Steamed Broccoli	
	Mushroom Quesadilla	Turkey Bacon Wrap	Club Sandwich	Hot Roast Beef	Ham & Chz Panini		
31	Aspen Valley Health's Vision is to be the leader in fostering our community as the healthiest in the nation. We invite you to nourish your body with one of our delicious						
Steak Tacos Spanish Rice Chips & Salsa	panish Rice						

# What is Intermittent Fasting?

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Put "intermittent fasting" into a search engine and you'll pull up millions of hits! Articles discuss using intermittent fasting for managing weight loss, heart disease, Type 2 diabetes and sleep problems. Some even suggest that it may slow the aging process. However, the science on intermittent fasting is still evolving.

Read on to find out more about the different types of intermittent fasting and current research on this topic.

#### **Alternate-day Fasting**

What is it? Alternate-day fasting refers to rotating days of eating and days of fasting. On fasting days, no foods or beverages with calories are consumed. Calorie-free drinks, such as water, black coffee and tea are permitted. On non-fasting days, you can eat whatever you want — although following healthful eating guidelines is recommended. Theoretically, over the course of a week, you would have cut the total number of calories that you typically consume. And, over time, by eating fewer calories, the pounds would be expected to drop off. Is it effective for weight loss? Studies suggest that following an alternate-day fast is as effective as a typical low-calorie weight-loss plan. However, as the description reveals, this is a challenging fasting pattern, and side effects reported include strong feelings of hunger and decreased concentration on fasting days. Also, some studies revealed that people ate more than usual on non-fasting days. Studies on alternate-day fasting are somewhat limited and most have been over short periods of time. More research is needed on alternate-day fasting as an approach to weight loss.

### **Modified Fasting**

What is it? Modified fasting involves eating very little amounts of food on fasting days. Some modified fasts restrict intake on fasting days to 20% to 25% of needed calories. Others advocate limiting intake on fasting days to only 500 calories. Another version, referred to as the 5:2 fast, calls for fasting two days per week. Participants on this fast follow their usual eating patterns on the other five days of the week. Is it effective for weight loss? The results of modified fasting for weight loss are contradictory. Participants in some modified fasting weight loss studies lost more weight than those on traditional weight-loss diets, although the difference was not significant. Other studies found no difference in weight loss between modified fasting and a reduced calorie diet. At this time, there is not enough research to know if this dietary pattern is a safe and effective way to lose weight.

## **Time-restricted Fasting**

What is it? Time-restricted fasting limits the intake of calories primarily to waking hours. The goal is to fast eight to 12 hours per day with the bulk of the fast occurring while you are sleeping. This is an easier fasting pattern for people who do not snack after dinner or eat breakfast immediately upon rising.

Is it effective for weight loss? The jury is still out about the effectiveness of time-restricted fasting for weight loss. Some studies suggest it has a similar effect as alternate-day fasting. Most studies do not show a significant difference between time-restricted fasting and traditional calorie restriction on weight loss.

**The Bottom Line** Intermittent fasting is not currently a recommended treatment for weight loss or any other health condition. There needs to be more research, especially regarding any negative side effects of fasting, such as the risk of nutrient deficiencies. Intermittent fasting may pose a health risk for certain individuals, so it is not recommended for people with diabetes, women who are pregnant or breastfeeding and individuals with a history of eating disorders or disordered eating. Anyone considering fasting should first discuss it with a doctor, especially if taking medications that may need to be adjusted.