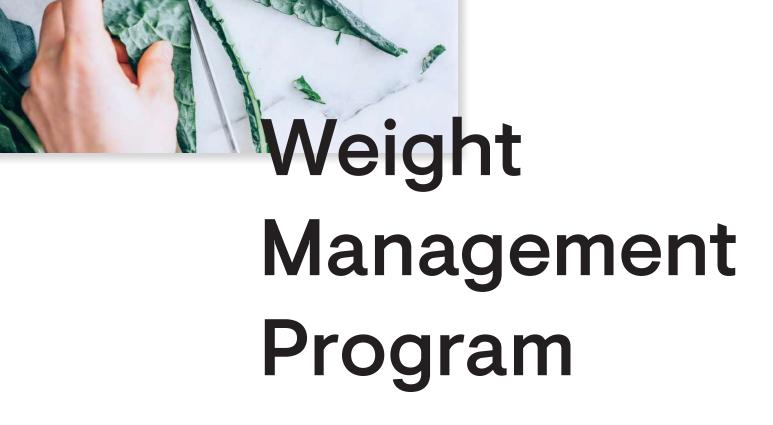
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Your best weight is whatever weight you reach when you're living the healthiest life that you can *honestly enjoy*.



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Getting started

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In order to be successful with your weight management plan, it is important to determine why you want to achieve a different weight. Are you trying to avoid health problems, feel better, have more energy, be able to play with your children or grandchildren, sleep better, decrease medications, or live longer?

Whatever your reason, once you've identified it, you will have an easier time sticking to a program.

10 Tips for making meaningful change



Adopt new habits slowly

be sure to consult with your health-care practitioner.

Two-week program

The Thorne Weight Management Program provides a comprehensive plan for how to eat, exercise, and supplement. We recommend doing the program in two-week increments, unless otherwise advised; may be repeated for another two weeks or as many times as advised. Although we recommend a specific time frame, the idea is to develop healthy, lifelong habits.

Meals should be small and only one serving of each food group as outlined below. No meal (breakfast, lunch, dinner) should provide more than about 400 calories.

How to fill your plate

Each meal should have:

- / 1 serving of protein Equal to one palmful
- / 1 serving of vegetables Equal to three handfuls

Note: 1 serving of fruit (equal to one handful) can be substituted for 1 serving of vegetables once per day.

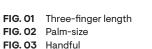
Each day you should have:

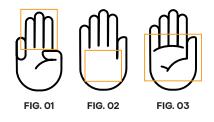
- / 1 serving of healthy fats Equal to three fingers or 1-2 Tbsp
- / 1/2 to 1 ounce of water per pound of body weight per day

Health tip: The rule of thumb is to drink ½ to 1 ounce of fluid per pound of body weight per day. So, someone weighing 150 pounds should be drinking a minimum of 75 ounces of liquid per day. There are 16.9 ounces of water in a standard-sized water bottle, which translates to drinking 4.5 bottles worth of fluid per day.

Portion control

A very easy way to get the right amount of food each day for your size is to use your hand to help you measure. You can do this for most foods on the list.





Meal timing



Eat breakfast

Try to eat breakfast within 1 hour of waking up.



Stay hydrated

Begin your day by drinking 16 ounces of water & drink water throughout the day. \leftrightarrow

Space it out

Eat your balanced meal every 4-6 hours plus 1 snack.



Stop before 10

Don't eat after 10 pm. When you are hungry late at night, have one serving of fruit or nuts.

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Allowable food & drinks list

Below and on the following pages is the list of what you can eat and drink and what to avoid on the program. We encourage you to take the list with you while grocery shopping so you can stock up on foods that will help you reach your weight goals!

Protein

One serving each meal. One serving should be the size of the palm of your hand unless otherwise stated.

Optimal sources

Beans⁺	Eggs‡	Low-fat cheese	Soy Beans⁺
Beef	Fish	Pork (lean)	Split Peas⁺
Chicken	Greek yogurt	Prawns	Tofu / Tempeh ⁺⁺
Cornish hen	Lamb	Scallops	Turkey
Duck	Lentils⁺	Shrimp	Wild Game

Avoid

Very fatty meats	/	*1⁄2 cup serving
Cured / luncheon meats	/	[‡] 2 whole or 3 whites +1 whole
Breaded or deep-fried protein sources		** 2 palm servings per meal
(sautéed in a healthy fat is fine)		





Vegetables

One serving each meal. One serving should be equal to three handful-sized servings unless otherwise stated.

Optimal sources

Alfalfa sprouts	Cauliflower	Kohlrabi	Snow peas
Artichoke	Celery	Leeks	Spinach
Asparagus	Chard	Lettuce – all types	Sprouts
Bamboo shoots	Cucumber	Mushrooms	Squash
Bok choy	Eggplant	Okra	Tomato
Broccoli	Endive	Olives	Turnip
Broccolini	Fennel	Onions	Water chestnuts
Brussels sprouts	Green beans	Radicchio	Zucchini
Cabbage	Kale	Radish	

Limit

If you choose these vegetables, only use a single handful for a serving instead of three handfuls, because these are starchy vegetables and are higher in carbs.

Avocado	Corn	Pumpkin
Carrots	Parsnips	Potato
Cassava	Peas	Sweet potato

Fruits

One handful of fruit can replace one handful of vegetables each day.

Optimal sources

Apples	Grapefruit	Mulberries	Plums
Apricots	Kiwis	Nectarines	Pomegranate
Blackberries	Lemons	Oranges	Raspberries
Blueberries	Limes	Passion fruit	Strawberries
Cantaloupe	Loganberries	Peaches	Watermelon
Cherries	Longans	Pears	
Cranberries	Mangos	Persimmons	
Figs (fresh)	Mangosteen	Pineapple	







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Healthy oils

Use 1-2 tablespoons per day; cold pressed oils are preferable.

Optimal sources

Coconut o Flax oil

oil	Ghee	Macadamia oil	Sesame oil
	(clarified butter)	Olive oil	Walnut oil

Health tip: A recent study showed that cooking rice with a teaspoon of coconut oil increases a substance called resistant starch. Resistant starch is not broken down into simple sugars so this makes your grains lower in calories. The coconut oil should be added to the cooking water (not after cooking) to achieve this effect.

Healthy nuts & seeds

One serving per day as desired as a source of healthy fats. A serving should be about the amount you can hold on three fingers.

Optimal sources

Almonds⁺	Flax/Linseeds	Pecans	Pistachios
Brazil nuts	Hazelnuts⁺	Pepitas	Sesame seeds
Cashews⁺	Macadamias	(pumpkin seeds)	Sunflower seeds
Coconut meat	Peanuts⁺	Pine nuts	Walnuts

⁺Or 1 Tbsp of nut butter

Grains

Grains are generally limited or avoided on this diet because the added carbohydrates make weight management more challenging – especially early on. If you choose grains, then limit them to a small serving (a handful or less cooked).

Avoid entirely if possible, but select from following list:

Brown rice	Millet
Barley	Oats
Corn tortilla (1 small)	Quinoa
Kashi cereal (unsweetened)	Whole grain or rye crackers



Non-alcoholic drinks

Optimal sources

Water (flat or sparkling — with lemon or lime as desired) Tea (black, green, herbal — unsweetened) Coffee (unsweetened; small amount of milk or milk substitute is fine) Milk (cow — non-fat or 1%, unsweetened almond, unsweetened coconut)

Alcoholic drinks

Alcohol is best to avoid, but if you must, you can have 1-2 drinks/week.

Avoid entirely if possible, but select from following list:

Cabernet	Light rum	Scotch
Champagne	Merlot	Tequila
Chardonnay	Pinot	Vodka
Gin	Pinot grigio	Whiskey
Guinness beer	Prosecco	
Light beer	Sauvignon blanc	

Optimal mixers

Blood Mary mix	Sparkling water (flavored)
Diet tonic	Tomato juice (low sodium)
Soda water	V8 juice

Recap on what to avoid

Here are the 6 types of food and drinks to avoid:

All refined sugars	Sweetened drinks
Alcohol	Grains (including bread and rice)
Deep fried foods	Highly processed and very fatty meats

Supplements



Nutritional supplementation is an important factor in helping to improve your metabolism. To help you reach your weight goals, we recommend three evidencebased supplement products – **Metabolic Health, Super EPA**, and **FloraMend Prime Probiotic**[®]. Together, these products help make the program effective because they:

- / Reduce hunger and cravings*
- / Promote energy and positive mood*
- / Promote loss of fat and preservation of lean body mass*
- / Improve metabolism and insulin sensitivity*

Metabolic Health

Metabolic Health provides well-absorbed curcumin and bergamot phytosomes to help maintain a healthy weight by supporting fat metabolism, balanced cholesterol, and optimal blood sugar levels.*



How to use 2 capsules with breakfast/2 capsules with dinner

FloraMend Prime Probiotic

FloraMend Prime Probiotic helps maintain a healthy balance of beneficial intestinal flora (the good bugs).* Specific probiotics (including *Lactobacillus gasseri*) have been shown to actually help waist circumference.*



How to use 1 capsule with breakfast / morning shake

Super EPA (omega-3 fish oil)

Super EPA helps maintain healthy levels of blood sugar and triglycerides, promotes healthy insulin response, provides healthy fats, and benefits heart health.*



How to use 2 gelcaps with dinner / evening shake

Note: These products can be purchased individually or bundled in Thorne's Weight Management Bundle.

MediClear Plus[®] or MediClear-SGS[™]

In addition to the trio of weight management supplements, we recommend a protein powder smoothie twice daily (see Sample Meal Plan on page 12). Because environmental toxicity has been associated with weight gain we recommend you incorporate MediClear into your diet plan. MediClear combines a vegetarian protein powder with a complete multivitamin/minerals and specific nutrients and botanicals to support detox mechanism in your body.* See the Sample Meal Plan for recommendations on how to incorporate this into your daily meals.

*These statements have not been evaluated by the Food and Drug Administration. These products are not intended to diagnose, treat, cure, or prevent any disease.

Activities

Making dietary changes is just the first piece of the weight management puzzle. Making the healthy lifestyle changes listed below will help ensure long-term success.



Test

Consider taking the easy, at-home Weight Management Test to discover other clues to help reach your weight goal. This at-home blood and saliva test provides insights by measuring key biomarkers associated with weight management.



Exercise

Try to get 30-60 minutes a day of moderate physical activity or 10,000 steps each day monitored with a pedometer, Fitbit[®], or other tracker. You can break the exercise up in blocks as small as 10 minutes if that is helpful.



Sleep

Scientific studies are increasingly showing that a lack of sleep can harm metabolism and promote weight gain. Adults need at least seven hours of sleep to have a healthy metabolism.

We don't know all the reasons why, but here are a couple: When you don't get the necessary amount of sleep you have more ghrelin and less leptin.

So, what does that mean?

- Ghrelin is a hormone that signals us to eat and leptin is a hormone that
 signals us to stop eating.
- When these hormones are imbalanced, it's much harder to control eating behavior.





Sample meal plan

We encourage you to customize your meal plans based on our allowed food lists. But, you can also follow our sample meal plan below and review our recommended recipes.

	Breakfast	Lunch	Snack	Dinner
Monday	Egg-spinach bird's nest sauté 1 capsule FloraMend Prime Probiotic® 2 capsules Metabolic Health	MediClear® smoothie of your choice 竝	MediClear smoothie of your choice 迎	Poached salmon & spring onions 💮 Steamed broccoli w/ lemon & olive oil 2 gelcaps Super EPA 2 capsules Metabolic Health
Tuesday	MediClear smoothie of your choice 🧐 1 capsule FloraMend Prime Probiotic 2 capsules Metabolic Health	Kale salmon salad 👾 (leftover salmon from Mon.) Green apple dressing 👾	MediClear smoothie of your choice 👜	Hearty beef & vegetable stew 👾 2 gelcaps Super EPA 2 capsules Metabolic Health
Wednesday	MediClear smoothie of your choice 迎 1 capsule FloraMend Prime Probiotic 2 capsules Metabolic Health	Hearty beef & vegetable stew 👾 (leftover from Tues.)	MediClear smoothie of your choice 逆	Stir-fried vegetables Protein of choice (chicken, shrimp, beef, tempeh, etc.) 2 gelcaps Super EPA 2 capsules Metabolic Health
Thursday	MediClear smoothie of your choice 逆 1 capsule FloraMend Prime Probiotic 2 capsules Metabolic Health	Yogurt – 1 cup Nuts – 1 serving (3 fingers) Fruit – 1 serving (1 handful)	MediClear smoothie of your choice 迎	Baked chicken breast Coconut lime cauliflower rice Steamed vegetables of choice 2 gelcaps Super EPA 2 capsules Metabolic Health
Friday	MediClear smoothie of your choice 👾 1 capsule FloraMend Prime Probiotic 2 capsules Metabolic Health	Chicken Caesar salad	MediClear smoothie of your choice 👾	Zucchini fritters Cauliflower rice 👾 (leftover from Thurs.) 2 gelcaps Super EPA 2 capsules Metabolic Health
Saturday	MediClear-SGS [™] vanilla protein pancakes ഈ 1 capsule FloraMend Prime Probiotic 2 capsules Metabolic Health	MediClear smoothie of your choice 💮	Hummus & raw veggies	Chicken taco salad Vegetarian chili 2 gelcaps Super EPA 2 capsules Metabolic Health
Sunday	Vegetable frittata w/ feta cheese 1 capsule FloraMend Prime Probiotic® 2 capsules Metabolic Health	MediClear smoothie of your choice 💮	MediClear smoothie of your choice '앱	Spicy scrambled tofu & veggies 👾 2 gelcaps Super EPA 2 capsules Metabolic Health

Mindfulness & mindful eating

Mindful eating is a weight-loss strategy that encourages you to slow down, pay attention to what you're eating, and manage your thoughts. Although it might not be the first thing you think of as a weight-management tactic, practicing mindfulness on a regular basis could help you achieve your weightloss goals.

Try the following mindful eating practices as you prepare and eat your food.



Practice acceptance

Be aware of critical or judgmental thoughts about food, your eating habits, and your body. Let go of those thoughts and instead concentrate on what you are doing in the moment.¹



Make a conscious decision to eat

Before eating, ask yourself, "How hungry am I right now? Am I eating because of hunger, habit, boredom, or emotion?"²



Avoid distractions

Eat at a table. Turn off the television; put away your cell phone and all reading material. Don't work while you eat.²



Appreciate your food

Start your meal by taking a moment to express your gratitude for the food in front of you.¹



Take a breath

Before and during your meal, consciously take several deep breaths.1



Use all your senses

Notice the smells, textures, sounds, colors, and tastes. Ask yourself how much you're enjoying the food and how appealing it is.¹



Enjoy modest portions

Eat slowly and savor each bite. Stop as soon as you feel satisfied.²

2. Hensrud D. The Mayo Clinic Diet. 2nd ed. Mayo Clinic, 2017.

^{1.} Food for thought: Starting your mindful eating journey. The Center for Mindful Eating. thecenterformindfuleating.org/food-for-thought. [Accessed October 1, 2020]

Smoothie recipes



We have assembled several weight-friendly recipes for your cooking and eating enjoyment. These are but a sampling of our favorites. A more extensive collection can be found at thorne.com

Basic shake

2 scoops	MediClear-SGS [™] chocolate or vanilla
8-10 oz	Water or liquid of choice (cow, coconut, or nut milk)

Coconut cashew banana

2 scoops	MediClear-SGS vanilla
8-10	Finely ground cashews
12-14 oz	Coconut milk
1tbsp	Coconut milk yogurt
1/2	Banana

Nutty vanilla

2 scoops	MediClear-SGS vanilla
¼ cup	Cashews blended with 4 oz. of water until creamy
12-14 oz	Water
⅓ tsp	Organic vanilla powder or vanilla extract
1 tbsp	Chia seeds

For a strawberry twist, add ¼ cup organic strawberries

Peach cooler

2 scoops	MediClear® (Plus or SGS vanilla)
6 oz	Pear juice
2 oz	Cold water
½ cup	Peaches (fresh or frozen

Smoothie recipes





Greek honey yogurt

2 scoopsMediClear-SGS vanilla12-14 ozSpring water1-2 tbspGreek honey yogurt (or a non-dairy yogurt substitute)

Almond cinnamon roll

2 scoops	MediClear® (Plus or SGS vanilla)
14-16 oz	Almond milk
⅓ tsp	Almond extract
⅓ tsp	Cinnamon

For extra richness, one tablespoon of plain, honey, or vanilla yogurt, or one-half of a banana, or several almonds ground to a powder can be added.

Pecan coconut

2 scoops	MediClear® (Plus or SGS vanilla)
1 tbsp	Finely ground pecans
12-14 oz	Coconut milk
2	Ice cubes

Chocolate orange

2 scoops	MediClear-SGS chocolate
1cup	Coconut milk
½ cup	Orange juice
1	Peeled orange or 2 peeled tangerines
Dash	Cinnamon

Apple pie

2 scoops	MediClear-SGS vanilla
4 oz	Unsweetened organic applesauce
12-14 oz	Water or milk of choice
⅓ tsp	Cinnamon

For an extra cold smoothie, freeze single serving containers of applesauce.

Breakfast recipes

Egg-spinach bird's nest sauté

Serves 1

Ingredients

3 handfuls	Spinach
1tbsp	Finely chopped onion
2 tbsp	Shredded Parmesan cheese
2	Eggs
½ tbsp	Butter, ghee, or oil (olive or coconut)
Etc	Black pepper (optional)

Directions

Heat butter or oil in a saucepan.

Sauté the onions until translucent.

Add the spinach and **sauté lightly**. Make into 2 bird's nest shapes and crack an egg into each one.

Sprinkle cheese and black pepper (optional) on top of egg. Cover pan and cook until egg yolks are the desired consistency.



MediClear-SGS vanilla protein pancakes

Serves 1 (4 pancakes)

Ingredients

1scoop	MediClear-SGS Vanilla
1 tbsp	Almond or hazelnut meal
2 tbsp	Water, milk, or nut milk
1	Egg

Directions

Combine ingredients in a bowl.

In a non-stick pan, cook on moderate heat for approximately **2-3 minutes** on each side. If necessary, you can use olive oil, coconut oil, or a small amount of butter to prevent sticking. Watch carefully as it may burn quickly.

Try serving buttered with a handful of mixed berries or stewed apple and cinnamon.

/ Note: To make almond or hazelnut meal, place nuts in food processor or grinder.

Breakfast recipes



Spicey scrambled tofu

Serves 1

Ingredients

2 palm-size	Portions of soft/silken tofu
3 handfuls	Diced bell pepper, tomato, summer squash, onion, and/or other
	vegetables of your choice
1tbsp	Olive oil
1tsp	Mixed herbs of your choice
Etc	Cholula, Sriracha, or other hot sauce (optional)
	Cracked pepper and sea salt to taste
	Paprika to season

Directions

Finely chop vegetables, add to oiled frying pan, and **sauté** with mixed herbs until tender. Add tofu, breaking up and stirring until heated through.

Add 2 drops of hot sauce (optional) and season with pepper and salt to taste.

Place on plate and **sprinkle** lightly with paprika.

Vegetable frittata with feta cheese

Serves 2

Ingredients

4 handfuls	Coarsely chopped vegetables (e.g., squash, peppers, broccoli,				
	onions, mushrooms, etc.)				
½ cup	Crumbled feta				
4	Eggs				
1tbsp	Olive oil				
1tbsp	Dried herbs or finely chopped fresh herbs (e.g., basil, lemon thyme, chives, etc.)				

Directions

Coarsely **cut and steam** vegetables until tender or use leftover vegetables from the night before; set aside. **Whisk** eggs and herbs.

Add oil to a large frying pan and place on a **very low heat**. Add half of egg mixture to pan and cook for one minute.

Place vegetables and crumbled feta in pan and cover with remaining egg mixture.

Cover and cook on very low heat until cooked through.

Lunch & dinner recipes

Poached salmon with spring onions & white wine⁺

Serves 4-6

Ingredients

2 lbs	Wild salmon fillet	3 tbsp	Extra virgin olive oil
2	Spring onions	½ cup	White wine
3-4 sprigs	Fresh thyme	Etc	Herbamare®
			Black pepper

Directions

Rinse the fish fillet and pat dry. Place into pan skin-side down. Trim the ends off of the onions and cut in half lengthwise; run under cool water to remove any dirt and sand. Place the spring onions and fresh thyme on top of the salmon.

Drizzle with olive oil. Add the white wine to the pan and then season the fillet with Herbamare and freshly ground black pepper.

Cover and poach over medium to medium-low heat for 10 to 12 minutes. Serve immediately.

Blanched kale & salmon salad and green apple dressing⁺

Serves 4

Ingredients

Green apple dressing

2 bunches	Curly kale, chopped	1 medium	Granny Smith apple
1cup	Cooked salmon	½ cup	Water
	(or broiled chicken)	⅓ cup	Extra virgin olive oil
1	Pomegranate, arils removed	1-2 cloves	Garlic
½ cup	Sunflower seeds, toasted	1-inch	Piece of fresh ginger, peeled
		Etc	Herbamare / sea salt to taste

Directions

Fill an 8-quart stockpot with filtered water about 3/4-full and bring to a rapid boil.

Quickly add all of the kale, pushing it down with a large spoon. Blanch for about 60 seconds, or until bright green and tender.

Pour kale and boiling water through a colander set in your sink and immediately run icy cold water over the kale to stop it from cooking any longer. Gently squeeze the water out of the kale.

Place desired amount of kale onto each plate, top with cooked salmon (or broiled chicken), pomegranate arils, and toasted sunflower seeds.

Make the dressing. Place all ingredients for dressing into a blender and blend about 1 minute until smooth & creamy. Taste, add more salt if needed, and blend again.

Drizzle dressing over each salad. Store leftover dressing in a sealed glass jar in the fridge for up to a week. Store remaining kale in the fridge in a sealed glass container.



Lunch & dinner recipes



Coconut-lime cauliflower "rice"*

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Serves 4-6

Ingredients

1 medium	Head cauliflower
1cup	Coconut milk
½ cup	Water or chicken sto
1-2 tbsp	Freshly squeezed lim
2 cloves	Garlic, crushed
1-2 tsp	Grated ginger
½-1 tsp	Crushed red chili flak
½ tsp	Herbamare® or sea s

Garnishes

Sliced green onions Chopped cilantro Lime zest

Directions

Break or cut the cauliflower into smaller pieces and place them into a food processor fitted with the "s" blade. Pulse until the cauliflower is coarsely ground. It takes about two minutes of pulsing to accomplish this. Be careful not to over-process and turn the cauliflower to mush.

In a large skillet or wide pot, such as an 11-inch deep skillet, heat the coconut milk, water or stock, lime juice, garlic, ginger, chili flakes, and salt over medium heat. Once the mixture is simmering add the ground cauliflower. Stir together and simmer uncovered for 10-15 minutes, stirring every few minutes, or until the cauliflower is cooked to your liking.

Garnish with sliced green onions, chopped cilantro, and lime zest. Serve hot. Serve this "rice" dish along with baked fish or roasted chicken and a green salad.

> Note: Using cauliflower is a great grain-free option to rice. By grinding it in a food processor you get the look and consistency of white rice but with more nutrients and cancer-fighting compounds such as sulforaphane (active ingredient in Thorne Crucera-SGS®).

Hearty beef & vegetable stew

Serves 2

Ingredients

2	Beef steaks, diced or cubed	2 cloves	Garlic
½ cup	Mushrooms, sliced	1 cup	Broccoli, diced
½ cup	Sweet onion, chopped	2	Small turnips, diced
1 tbsp	Butter	1 cup	Carrot, diced
Pinch	Salt	1 cup	Cauliflower, diced
2 tsp	Parsley	1 cup	Beef or vegetable stock
2 tsp	Worcestershire sauce		

Directions

Brown meat, onion, and mushrooms in melted butter. Add seasonings and Worcestershire sauce. Place in casserole dish with all other ingredients and cook covered at 375 degrees until meat and vegetables are tender.

Additional nutritional supplement recommendations:

Additional dietary recommendations:

A final word

We hope you have found this guide to be informative and helpful and we encourage you to reference it frequently during the program. As you can see, healthy lifestyle choices play a major role in helping to manage and maintain a healthy weight. The right combination of diet, exercise, sleep, and nutritional supplementation can help in your quest for optimal weight, and by extension, optimal health. At Thorne, we consider ourselves your partner in helping you manage your health.

P.S. Thyroid function, stress levels, and sleep quality are three health areas that can impact your ability to lose weight. If you think you may be weight-loss resistant, consider ordering one of our related at-home tests – **Thyroid Test, Stress Test, or Sleep Test.**





Week 01

Food, supplement, & exercise journal

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Monday						
Tuesday						
Wednesday						
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Saturday						
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