

# Whole Grains or Refined Grains?

## WHOLE GRAINS



Contains full grain kernel, which includes the bran, germ, and endosperm.

### **NUTRIENTS**

Bran provides fiber, B vitamins, and trace minerals. The endosperm provides carbohydrates and protein. The wheat germ provides antioxidants, vitamin E, and B Vitamins.



### REFINED GRAINS



Bran and germ have been removed through the process called milling.

# **NUTRIENTS**

The milling process removes the bran and the germ and thus, removes dietary fiber, iron and many B vitamins. Most refined grains are enriched, so certain B vitamins and iron are added back to the grain product.



# Make sure at least half of all grains eaten are whole grains!

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