

2010
**BUYING
GUIDE**

For Supermarket
Ingredients

Hundreds of
Top-Rated Brands
from our
up-to-date
Blind Taste Tests



Applesauce

- Musselman's Lite
- Musselman's Home Style

Bacon

- Farmland Hickory Smoked
- Boar's Head Brand Naturally Smoked Sliced

Baked Beans

- B&M Vegetarian
- Bush's Best

Barbecue sauce

- Bull's-Eye Original

Beans, canned

- CHICKPEAS
- Pastene

DARK RED KIDNEY

- Green Giant

WHITE

- Westbrae Organic Great Northern
- Progresso Cannellini

Blueberries, frozen

- Wyman's Frozen Wild

Bread, white sandwich

- Pepperidge Farm Farmhouse Hearty
- Arnold Country Classics

Bread, whole wheat

- Pepperidge Farm 100% Natural

Bread crumbs

- Ian's Panko
- Progresso Plain

Broth, chicken

- Swanson Certified Organic Free Range
- Better Than Bouillon

Broth, vegetable

- Swanson

Brownie mixes, boxed

- Ghirardelli
- Barefoot Contessa

Butter, unsalted

- Plugrá
 - Celles sur Belle
- BEST BUY
- Land O'Lakes

Cheese, cheddar, sharp

- Cabot Sharp Vermont
- Tillamook Sharp
- Cracker Barrel Sharp White

Cheese, cottage

- Hood Country Style

Cheese, cream

- Philadelphia Brand

Cheese, feta

- Athenos

Cheese, fontina

- FOR EATING RAW
- Fontina Val d'Aosta

FOR COOKING

- BelGioioso

Cheese, goat

- Vermont Butter & Cheese Company Chèvre

Cheese, Gruyère

- Gruyère Reserve Wheel
- Emmi Le Gruyère Reserve

Cheese, Monterey Jack

- Cabot

Cheese, mozzarella

- BLOCK
- Dragone Whole Milk

SHREDDED

- Kraft Shredded Part Skim

Cheese, Parmesan

- Boar's Head Parmigiano-Reggiano
- Il Villagio Parmigiano-Reggiano

BEST BUY

- BelGioioso Parmesan

Cheese, ricotta, part-skim

- Calabro

Cheese, Swiss

- FOR EATING RAW
- Emmentaler

FOR GRILLED CHEESE

- Jarlsberg

Chicken, breasts, boneless skinless

- Empire Kosher
- Bell & Evans
- Springer Mountain Farms

Chicken, whole

- Empire Kosher
- Bell & Evans

Chili powder

- Spice Islands
- El Paso Chile Company Chili Spices & Fixes
- Pendery's Top Hat Chile Blend

Chocolate, dark

- Callebaut Intense Dark Chocolate, L-60-40 NV
- Ghirardelli Bittersweet Chocolate Baking Bar

Chocolate, milk

- Dove
- Scharffen Berger
- Lindt Excellence Extra Creamy

Chocolate, milk chocolate chips

- Hershey's Milk Chocolate Chips

Chocolate, semisweet chips

- Ghirardelli 60% Cacao Bittersweet
- Hershey's Special Dark Mildly Sweet

Chocolate, unsweetened

- Scharffen Berger
- Callebaut
- Ghirardelli

Chocolate, white chips

- Guittard Choc-Au-Lait

Cinnamon

- Penzeys Extra Fancy Vietnamese Cassia
- Durkee

Cocoa powder

BEST OVERALL

- Callebaut

BEST SUPERMARKET BRAND

- Droste

Coffee, whole bean, supermarket

DARKER ROAST

- Millstone Colombian Supremo

LIGHTER ROAST

- Green Mountain Coffee Roasters Our Blend

Cornmeal, whole-grain

- Arrowhead Mills
- Hodgson Mill

Cumin

- Penzeys
- McCormick Gourmet Collection

Dressing, Italian

- Good Seasons Italian All Natural Salad Dressing Mix
- Kraft Seven Seas Viva Italian Dressing

Flour, unbleached

- King Arthur
- Pillsbury

Garam masala

- McCormick Gourmet Collection

Greens, bagged

- Pure Pacific Certified Organic Spring Mix
- Ready Pac Organic Mesclun Blend

Half-and-half, fat-free

- Land O'Lakes

Ham, spiral-cut

- Cook's Spiral Sliced Hickory Smoked Honey

Hot cocoa mixes

- Godiva Chocolatier
- Ghirardelli

Hot sauce

- Frank's RedHot Original

Ice cream, chocolate

- Ben & Jerry's
- Edy's Grand

Ice cream, vanilla

REGULAR

- Turkey Hill All Natural Flavor Vanilla Bean

FRENCH-STYLE

- Edy's Dreamery Vanilla

Ketchup

- Hunt's
- Heinz Organic
- Annie's Natural Organic

Maple syrup

- Maple Grove Farms Pure Maple Syrup, Grade A Dark Amber
- Highland Sugarworks Grade B

Mayonnaise

- Hellmann's Real (Best Foods on the West Coast)
- Kraft Real

Molasses

- Grandma's Original or Robust
- Brer Rabbit Mild or Full Flavor

Mustard, Dijon

- Grey Poupon

Mustard, whole-grain

- Grey Poupon Harvest
- Grey Poupon Country

Olive oil, extra-virgin, supermarket

- Columela
- Lucini Italia
- Colavita

Olive oil, pure, supermarket

- DaVinci 100% Pure
- Colavita
- Filippo Berio

Orange juice, fresh-squeezed

- Natalie's Orchid Island

Paprika

- The Spice House Hungarian Sweet
- Penzeys Hungarian Sweet

Pasta, egg noodles

- Light 'n Fluffy Wide

Pasta, elbow macaroni

- Barilla
- Mueller's
- Ronzoni

Pasta, farfalle

- Mueller's Bow Ties

Pasta, fresh

- Buitoni

Pasta, lasagna noodles, no-boil

- Barilla
- Ronzoni
- DeFino

Pasta, penne

- Mueller's

Pasta, spaghetti

- Ronzoni

Pasta, spaghetti, whole wheat

- Ronzoni Healthy Harvest

Pasta sauce

- Bertolli Tomato & Basil
- Francesco Rinaldi
- Prego Marinara

Peanut butter

- Skippy Creamy
- Jif Creamy
- Reese's Creamy

Peppercorns, black

- Kalustyan's Indian Tellicherry
- Morton & Basset Organic
- Zingerman's Tellicherry

Peppers, roasted red

- Dunbars Sweet

Pie crust

- Pillsbury Just Unroll!

Potato chips

- Lay's Kettle Cooked Original

Preserves, raspberry

- Smucker's

Preserves, strawberry

- Welch's

Pumpkin, canned

- Libby's
- One-Pie

Raspberries, frozen

- 365 Frozen Raspberries
- Cascadian Farm 100% Organic
- Big Valley

Rice, Arborio

- RiceSelect

Rice, basmati

- Tilda

Rice, long-grain white

- Canilla Extra Long Grain Enriched
- Carolina Extra Long-Grain Enriched
- Sem-Chi Organically Grown Florida Long Grain

Salsa, hot

- Pace Hot Chunky

Salt

- Maldon Sea Salt
- Fleur de Sel de Camargue
- Morton Coarse Kosher

Soy sauce

- Lee Kum Kee
- Ohsawa Nama Shoyu

Tea, black

PLAIN

- Twinings English Breakfast

WITH MILK

- Tazo Awake

Tomatoes, canned crushed

- Tuttorosso
- Muir Glen Organic

Tomatoes, canned diced

- Muir Glen Organic
- S&W Ready-Cut
- Redpack (Redgold on the West Coast)

Tomatoes, canned pureed

- Hunt's
- Progresso
- Cento

Tomatoes, canned whole

- Progresso Italian-Style
- Redpack
- Hunt's

Tomatoes, sun-dried

- Trader Joe's

Tomato paste

- Amore
- Redpack

Tortilla chips

- Santitas
- Tostitos
- Green Mountain Gringo

Tortillas, flour

- Tyson Mexican Original
- Mission

Tuna, in water

- Chicken of the Sea Solid White Albacore Tuna
- Starkist Solid White Albacore Tuna

Tuna, in olive oil

- Ortiz Bonito del Norte (jarred, tinned, or Ventresca)

Tuna, pouch

- StarKist

Turkey, whole

- Empire Kosher
- Bell & Evans Natural
- Butterball Frozen

Turkey breast, deli

- Sara Lee's Oven Roasted

Vanilla extract

- McCormick Pure Vanilla Extract
- Rodelle Pure Vanilla Extract

Veggie burgers

- Gardenburger Original

Vinegar, apple cider

- Maille
- Spectrum Naturals Organic, Unfiltered

Vinegar, balsamic

- Lucini Gran Riserva
- Monari Federzoni
- Orтали

Vinegar, red wine

- Spectrum Naturals Organic
- Pompeian

Vinegar, white wine

FOR COOKING

- Colavita Aged

FOR VINAIGRETTES

- Spectrum Naturals

Yeast

- SAF (Instant or Perfect Rise)
- Red Star (Instant Active or Quick Rise)

Yogurt, whole milk

- Brown Cow Cream Top Plain
- Stonyfield Farm Organic

Yogurt, low-fat

- Dannon
- Wallaby Organic

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