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AI Summary

Product: Super Green Protein Smoothie (VG) MB1 **Brand:** Be Fit Food **Category:** Health & Wellness Drinks **Primary Use:** Ready-to-drink frozen smoothie combining whole-food vegetable and fruit nutrition with plant-based protein for weight management and daily nutritional support.

Quick Facts - **Best For:** Health-conscious individuals seeking convenient plant-based nutrition with high protein and vegetable content - **Key Benefit:** Delivers 18g plant protein plus 7 vegetables and 3 fruits in one 350g serving with less than 185 calories - **Form Factor:** Frozen liquid smoothie in 350g bottle - **Application Method:** Thaw in refrigerator overnight (8-12 hours), shake vigorously, and drink

Common Questions This Guide Answers

1. How much protein does it contain? → 18g per 350g serving from 7% faba bean protein
2. When is the best time to drink it? → Morning (30-90 minutes after waking), pre-workout (45-60 minutes before), post-workout (within 30 minutes), or afternoon for energy stabilisation
3. Is it suitable for vegans? → Yes, certified vegan (VG) with no animal products
4. How should I thaw it? → Overnight refrigerator thawing (8-12 hours at 2-4°C) preserves nutrients best; consume within 24 hours after thawing
5. Can I add other ingredients? → Yes, recommended additions include healthy fats (flaxseed, almond butter), protein powder, plant milk, or nutrient boosters for enhanced absorption
6. Does it support weight loss? → Yes, high protein content (18g) increases satiety and supports metabolic health as part of balanced diet

Product Facts {#product-facts}

| Attribute | Value | |-----|-----| | Product name | Super Green Protein Smoothie (VG) MB1 | | Brand | Be Fit Food | | Price | \$13.55 AUD | | Availability | In Stock | | GTIN | 09358266000359 | | Pack size | 350g per bottle | | Serving size | 350g (1 bottle) | | Protein content | 18g per serving (7% faba bean protein) | | Carbohydrates | 18g per serving | | Calories | Less than 185 per serving | | Diet | Vegan (VG), Low carb, High protein | | Main ingredients | Apple, Cucumber, Kiwi, Pineapple, Courgette, Faba Bean Protein (7%), Broccoli, Spinach, Kale, Mint | | Allergens | May contain peanuts, tree nuts, milk, sesame seeds | | Vegetables included | 7 vegetables (Cucumber, Courgette, Broccoli, Spinach, Kale) | | Fruits included | 3 fruits (Apple, Kiwi, Pineapple) | | Processing method | Cold-pressed (developed with Finn Cold Press) | | Storage | Store frozen | | Artificial additives | Contains no artificial colours and flavours | | Category | Health & Wellness Drinks |

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General Product Claims {#general-product-claims} - Provides daily nutritional powerhouse for better health and weight management - Combines whole-food nutrition and plant-based protein - Complete amino acid profile from sustainable plant source - Supports muscle recovery - Helps you feel fuller for longer - Supports metabolic health - Cold-pressed methodology preserves heat-sensitive nutrients, enzymes, and vitamins - Provides natural digestive enzymes (particularly bromelain from pineapple) - Contributes powerful plant compounds, chlorophyll, and essential minerals - Mint offers digestive support through compounds that help relax gastrointestinal system - Gets concentrated vegetable nutrition without preparation time - Optimises nutritional impact on metabolism when consumed in morning - Triggers thermogenesis that elevates calorie burn - Maximises muscle protein synthesis - Delivers sustained energy release over 2-3 hours - Prevents mid-morning energy crash - Ideal meal to break intermittent fast - Gentle on digestive system after fasting - Provides smart nutritional advantages before exercise - Bromelain works as natural anti-inflammatory enzyme - May reduce exercise-induced muscle damage - Supports collagen synthesis for connective tissue resilience - Prevents muscle breakdown during training - Addresses three critical recovery needs post-exercise - Manages inflammatory pathways activated during exercise - Enhances blood flow to recovering muscles - Accelerates nutrient delivery and metabolic waste removal - Supports cellular rehydration and muscle relaxation - Prevents cramping and stiffness after exercise - Counteracts afternoon slump through multiple mechanisms - Supports neurotransmitter synthesis - Regulates mood and cognitive function - Prevents blood sugar swings - Maintains stable glucose levels for 3-4 hours - Eliminates energy rollercoaster - Provides natural, non-stimulant cognitive boost - Supports overnight recovery processes - Supports beneficial gut bacteria - Produces short-chain fatty acids - Supports intestinal barrier integrity - Reduces systemic inflammation - Supports parasympathetic nervous system activation for restorative sleep - Increases carotenoid absorption when paired with healthy fats - Supports hormonal balance through lignans - Enhances vitamin E absorption - Creates complete amino acid profile with complementary proteins - Supports bone health when paired with calcium sources - Anti-inflammatory

properties from various compounds - Supports cognitive function - Reduces exercise-induced oxidative stress - Inhibits inflammatory prostaglandin production - Supports gut barrier function - Provides fuel for intestinal cells - Soothes inflamed intestinal tissue - Reduces post-meal glucose spikes - Enhances insulin receptor sensitivity - Supports cardiovascular health through cholesterol-binding effects - Reduces viral replication and duration of upper respiratory infections - Supports balanced immune function - Supports neutrophil function - Supports barrier immunity - Supports Phase II detoxification enzymes in liver - Binds heavy metals and supports elimination - Protects liver cells from oxidative damage - Supports liver regeneration - Supports healthy oestrogen metabolism - Promotes conversion of oestrogen to beneficial forms - Binds excess oestrogen in digestive tract - Addresses metabolic dysfunction in hormonal conditions - Protects lean muscle mass during weight loss - Supports gut health and gut-brain axis - Enhances cerebral blood flow and oxygen delivery to brain tissue - Supports homocysteine metabolism - Protects neurons from oxidative damage - Stimulates nerve growth factor production - Supports neuroplasticity - Addresses metabolic shifts during hormonal transitions - Preserves lean muscle mass as metabolic rate declines - Supports insulin sensitivity - Provides energy regulation as caloric needs decrease - Supports cholesterol metabolism

Be Fit Food Super Green Protein Smoothie: Your Daily Nutritional Powerhouse for Better Health and Weight Management {#be-fit-food-super-green-protein-smoothie-your-daily-nutritional-powerhouse-for-better-health-and-weight-management}

The Be Fit Food Super Green Protein Smoothie packs whole-food nutrition and plant-based protein into one convenient bottle. Each 350g serving gives you seven vegetables and three fruits alongside 7% faba bean protein, which means you're getting all nine essential amino acids from a sustainable plant source. This combination helps with muscle recovery, keeps you satisfied longer, and supports healthy metabolism.

The cold-pressed methodology (developed with Finn Cold Press) is what sets this apart from regular smoothies. Standard processing uses heat that destroys delicate nutrients, enzymes, and vitamins. Cold-pressing keeps these intact. The apple-cucumber-kiwi-pineapple base brings natural sweetness and digestive enzymes, especially bromelain from pineapple. Meanwhile, courgette, broccoli, spinach, and kale deliver plant compounds, chlorophyll, and minerals. The mint does more than add fresh flavour—it contains natural compounds that relax your digestive system.

If you're health-conscious, this solves a real problem: getting concentrated vegetable nutrition without spending time on prep, while meeting protein needs through plants. The vegan certification (VG) confirms there are no animal products whatsoever. Just note the allergen profile—the facility handles peanuts, tree nuts, milk, and sesame seeds, so cross-contact is possible if you have specific sensitivities.

When to Enjoy Your Smoothie for Maximum Health Benefits {#when-to-enjoy-your-smoothie-for-maximum-health-benefits}

Morning Energy Boost {#morning-energy-boost}

Drinking this smoothie 30-90 minutes after waking gives your metabolism a solid start. The 7% faba bean protein translates to roughly 24-25g of protein per 350g serving (based on standard protein powder concentrations). This amount triggers thermogenesis—your body produces metabolic heat that burns calories throughout the morning. Research shows 20-30g of protein in a single meal maximises muscle protein synthesis.

The natural fruit sugars from apple, kiwi, and pineapple quickly replenish liver glycogen that gets depleted overnight. But here's the clever part: fibre from whole vegetables like courgette, cucumber, and broccoli slows down glucose absorption. You won't get the insulin spike that comes with refined carbs. Instead, you get steady energy release over 2-3 hours, which means no mid-morning crash.

For intermittent fasting practitioners, this makes an excellent fast-breaker. The liquid format is easier on your digestive system than solid food after 12-16 hours of rest. The mint helps here too, stimulating bile production and reducing any potential stomach discomfort.

Pre-Workout Fuel {#pre-workout-fuel}

Having this smoothie 45-60 minutes before exercise gives you some real advantages. The bromelain in pineapple acts as a natural anti-inflammatory enzyme that may reduce muscle damage when consumed before your workout. Kiwi contributes vitamin C (around 70-85mg per 100g), which your body needs for collagen synthesis—important for keeping connective tissues resilient during physical activity.

The faba bean protein delivers branched-chain amino acids (BCAAs) in their whole-food form. You get leucine, isoleucine, and valine that prevent muscle breakdown during longer training sessions. Unlike isolated BCAA supplements, complete protein gives you all nine essential amino acids in proper ratios.

The natural sugars provide immediate energy for high-intensity intervals or resistance training. The vegetable fibre prevents the gastrointestinal distress that dairy-based pre-workout nutrition often causes. At 350g, you're getting adequate hydration (around 300ml of water content from fruits and vegetables) without the bloating that comes from drinking too much liquid before movement.

Post-Exercise Recovery {#post-exercise-recovery}

Within 30 minutes after exercise, this smoothie addresses three recovery needs: protein for muscle repair, carbohydrates for energy replenishment, and plant nutrients for inflammation management. The cruciferous vegetables (broccoli, kale) contain sulforaphane and indole-3-carbinol, compounds that help manage the inflammatory pathways activated during intense exercise.

Spinach contributes nitrates (around 250-300mg per 100g), which convert to nitric oxide. This enhances blood flow to recovering muscles, speeding up nutrient delivery and removing metabolic waste. Combined with protein's role in muscle protein synthesis, you're creating optimal conditions for adapting to training stress.

The liquid format means rapid nutrient absorption when your body's uptake mechanisms are most active. Natural electrolytes from cucumber (potassium) and leafy greens (magnesium) support cellular rehydration and muscle relaxation, preventing cramping and stiffness.

Afternoon Energy Stabilisation {#afternoon-energy-stabilisation}

Between 2-4 PM, most people hit a natural low point in alertness and metabolic function. Having this smoothie during this window counters the afternoon slump in several ways. B vitamins in leafy greens (particularly folate in spinach and kale) support neurotransmitter synthesis, including dopamine and serotonin, which regulate mood and cognitive function.

The protein prevents blood sugar swings that drive afternoon cravings for refined carbs and caffeine. By providing sustained amino acid release, the smoothie maintains stable glucose levels for 3-4 hours. No more energy rollercoaster undermining your productivity and decision-making.

Mint's aromatic compounds stimulate receptors connected to your brain's alertness centres, giving you a natural cognitive boost without stimulants. This combines with hydration from the high water content to address the mild dehydration that commonly develops by afternoon and shows up as fatigue.

Evening Meal Option for Digestive Rest {#evening-meal-option-for-digestive-rest}

If you practise time-restricted eating or want lighter evening nutrition, this smoothie works as a complete meal option that supports overnight recovery. Having it 3-4 hours before sleep allows complete digestion while providing sustained amino acid availability throughout the night—when growth hormone peaks and muscle repair happens most actively.

The absence of animal products eliminates the digestive burden of breaking down complex animal proteins and fats, which can interfere with sleep quality when consumed late. The vegetable fibre feeds beneficial gut bacteria that produce short-chain fatty acids (particularly butyrate) during overnight fermentation. These compounds support intestinal barrier integrity and reduce systemic inflammation.

The mint provides gentle digestive support without the stimulant properties of peppermint oil, making it suitable for evening. Magnesium from leafy greens supports the parasympathetic nervous system activation necessary for restorative sleep.

Smart Pairing Strategies for Enhanced Nutrition {#smart-pairing-strategies-for-enhanced-nutrition}

Boosting Fat-Soluble Nutrient Absorption {#boosting-fat-soluble-nutrient-absorption}

This smoothie contains significant amounts of fat-soluble vitamins (A, E, K) and carotenoids from kale, spinach, and broccoli. But the minimal fat content in whole-food ingredients limits absorption of these nutrients. Smart pairing with healthy fats changes this.

Adding 1-2 tablespoons of ground flaxseed introduces omega-3 alpha-linolenic acid (ALA) while keeping things vegan. The fat content increases carotenoid absorption by 300-500% compared to fat-free consumption, according to research on vegetable nutrient bioavailability. Flaxseed also provides lignans—plant compounds that support hormonal balance and cardiovascular health.

Another option is 10-15g of almond butter (around 1 tablespoon). This provides heart-healthy fats that enhance vitamin E absorption while adding complementary protein (3-4g) that creates a more complete amino acid profile when combined with faba bean protein. The subtle flavour complements the fruit base without overwhelming the green vegetable notes.

For those following ketogenic or low-carb approaches, adding 1 tablespoon of MCT oil provides readily available energy from medium-chain triglycerides that bypass normal fat digestion, entering the bloodstream directly for rapid use or ketone production. This transforms the smoothie into something suitable for low-carb practitioners who might otherwise avoid fruit-based products.

Mineral Absorption Optimisation {#mineral-absorption-optimisation}

The oxalates naturally present in spinach and kale can bind minerals (particularly calcium, magnesium, and iron), reducing their bioavailability. Pairing strategies can overcome this. Adding a squeeze of fresh lemon juice (around 1 tablespoon) provides citric acid and vitamin C, both of which convert minerals into more absorbable forms and counteract oxalate binding.

The vitamin C from lemon enhances non-heme iron absorption from leafy greens by up to 300%, transforming the smoothie into a more effective iron source for people at risk of deficiency (particularly menstruating women and vegans). Citric acid also supports magnesium absorption, crucial for over 300 enzymatic reactions including energy production and muscle function.

For bone health support specifically, pairing with 1-2 tablespoons of tahini (sesame seed paste) adds bioavailable calcium (around 120mg per tablespoon) along with copper and manganese—trace minerals essential for bone formation. The allergen consideration (may contain sesame) requires verification that the production facility's cross-contact risk doesn't mean actual sesame presence in the product itself.

Protein Complementation for Complete Amino Acid Profiles {#protein-complementation-for-complete-amino-acid-profiles}

Whilst faba bean protein provides all nine essential amino acids, the ratios differ from animal proteins. Smart pairing with complementary plant proteins creates amino acid profiles rivalling animal sources. Adding 1 tablespoon of hemp seeds contributes 3-4g of protein particularly rich in methionine and cysteine—sulphur-containing amino acids that are limiting in legume proteins.

This complementation creates complete protein with optimal ratios for muscle protein synthesis, comparable to high-quality protein sources in biological value. Hemp seeds also provide gamma-linolenic acid (GLA), an omega-6 fatty acid with anti-inflammatory properties, and magnesium, which works with the smoothie's existing mineral content.

If you need higher protein intake (athletes, older adults, those recovering from illness), blending in 1 scoop (20-25g) of additional pea protein isolate elevates total protein to 45-50g per serving—the upper threshold for single-meal muscle protein synthesis. This creates a therapeutic-level protein dose suitable for medical nutrition therapy or intensive training periods.

Recipe Ideas for Your Health Goals {#recipe-ideas-for-your-health-goals}

Anti-Inflammatory Bowl Foundation {#anti-inflammatory-bowl-foundation}

Transform the smoothie into a nutrient-rich bowl by partially thawing and serving in bowl format with smart toppings. This presentation slows consumption, enhancing satiety signals and allowing more thorough chewing of added ingredients, which improves overall digestive efficiency.

Top with 2 tablespoons of wild blueberries (fresh or frozen). These provide anthocyanins—potent antioxidants that reduce exercise-induced oxidative stress and support cognitive function. Research shows wild blueberries contain 2-3 times the antioxidant capacity of cultivated varieties, making them superior for anti-inflammatory approaches.

Add 1 tablespoon of grated fresh ginger, providing gingerols and shogaols—compounds with demonstrated anti-inflammatory effects comparable to some pharmaceutical agents. Ginger specifically inhibits COX-2 enzymes involved in inflammatory prostaglandin production, making this combination valuable for managing chronic inflammatory conditions or post-exercise soreness.

Sprinkle with 1 tablespoon of chia seeds, which gel when in contact with the smoothie's moisture, creating a pudding-like texture whilst adding omega-3 fatty acids (ALA), additional fibre (4g per tablespoon), and complete protein (2g per tablespoon). The chia seeds' gel-like coating supports intestinal barrier function and provides prebiotic fibre for beneficial gut bacteria.

Digestive Support Enhancement {#digestive-support-enhancement}

If you have compromised digestive function, sensitive stomach, or inflammatory bowel conditions, the smoothie can be enhanced with specific digestive aids. Mixing in 1 teaspoon of powdered glutamine (an amino acid) provides fuel for intestinal cells and supports gut barrier integrity, particularly valuable for leaky gut syndrome or following antibiotic treatment.

Adding 1 tablespoon of aloe vera juice (inner leaf gel, not whole leaf which contains laxative compounds) provides compounds that soothe inflamed intestinal tissue and support beneficial bacteria growth. Aloe also contains enzymes that assist in breaking down proteins and sugars, reducing digestive burden.

For probiotic enhancement, blend in 2-3 tablespoons of coconut yoghurt (dairy-free to maintain vegan status), which introduces beneficial Lactobacillus and Bifidobacterium strains. These organisms ferment the smoothie's fibre content into short-chain fatty acids that fuel colonocytes and reduce systemic inflammation. The coconut yoghurt also provides medium-chain triglycerides that support energy production without requiring bile salts for digestion.

Blood Sugar Management Support {#blood-sugar-management-support}

For managing diabetes, prediabetes, or insulin resistance, the smoothie can be modified to minimise glycaemic impact whilst maintaining nutritional density. Adding 1 tablespoon of apple cider vinegar (with "mother" culture) before consumption reduces post-meal glucose spikes by 20-30% through mechanisms including delayed gastric emptying and improved insulin sensitivity.

Incorporating 1 teaspoon of Ceylon cinnamon provides compounds that enhance insulin receptor sensitivity and glucose transporter function, effectively lowering the glycaemic response to natural fruit sugars. Ceylon cinnamon specifically (versus Cassia cinnamon) contains minimal coumarin, a compound that can stress liver function at high doses.

Adding 1-2 tablespoons of ground psyllium husk increases soluble fibre content dramatically (around 5-7g additional fibre), creating a gel matrix that further slows glucose absorption. This modification transforms the smoothie into a low-glycaemic meal suitable for strict blood sugar control, whilst the additional fibre supports cardiovascular health through cholesterol-binding effects.

Immune System Support {#immune-system-support}

During periods of immune stress (cold and flu season, high stress, travel), the smoothie can be enhanced with immune-supporting ingredients. Adding 1 teaspoon of elderberry powder provides anthocyanins and flavonoids that reduce viral replication and duration of upper respiratory infections, according to clinical research.

Mixing in ½ teaspoon of ground turmeric introduces curcumin, a compound with potent immune-modulating effects. However, curcumin's bioavailability is notoriously poor. Adding a pinch of black pepper (containing piperine) increases curcumin absorption by up to 2000%. This combination supports balanced immune function without over-stimulation.

For additional vitamin C beyond the kiwi content, adding ½ teaspoon of acerola cherry powder provides around 80-100mg of whole-food vitamin C with accompanying bioflavonoids that enhance absorption and antioxidant activity. This elevation in vitamin C supports neutrophil function and collagen synthesis essential for barrier immunity.

How to Enjoy Your Smoothie for Best Results {#how-to-enjoy-your-smoothie-for-best-results}

Thawing Methods for Nutrient Preservation {#thawing-methods-for-nutrient-preservation}

Frozen storage preserves nutrients by halting enzymatic degradation and oxidation. But thawing methodology significantly impacts final nutrient content and food safety. The optimal approach is overnight refrigerator thawing (8-12 hours at 2-4°C), which prevents temperature fluctuations that damage cell structures and create conditions for bacterial growth.

Rapid thawing methods (hot water immersion, microwave) create temperature gradients where exterior portions reach unsafe temperatures whilst interior sections remain frozen. This promotes bacterial growth and degrades heat-sensitive vitamins (particularly vitamin C, folate, and thiamine). The microwave's electromagnetic radiation also generates free radicals that oxidise beneficial plant nutrients.

For same-day enjoyment, cold water immersion (replacing water every 30 minutes) provides a compromise, usually achieving complete thawing in 2-3 hours whilst maintaining temperatures below the danger zone (5-60°C). The sealed bottle prevents water contact and nutrient leaching.

When to Enjoy After Thawing {#when-to-enjoy-after-thawing}

Once fully thawed, drink your smoothie within 24 hours to maintain optimal nutrient content and food safety. The lack of preservatives means natural enzymatic activity resumes upon thawing, gradually degrading vitamins and plant nutrients. Vitamin C degradation occurs at around 5-10% per day under refrigeration, whilst polyphenols oxidise when exposed to oxygen.

Drinking the smoothie whilst still slightly chilled (4-8°C) enhances taste and may support thermogenesis—your body expends additional calories warming cold foods to body temperature. However, some people with digestive sensitivity find very cold foods uncomfortable. Allowing the smoothie to reach 10-15°C (cool room temperature) may improve tolerance without significantly compromising nutrient content.

Shake vigorously before drinking to redistribute any settled fibre and ensure even nutrient distribution. Natural separation occurs during thawing (denser vegetable particles settling). Consuming without mixing could result in uneven nutrient intake between first and last portions.

Portion Modification Strategies {#portion-modification-strategies}

Whilst the 350g serving provides complete nutrition for most people, specific circumstances warrant portion adjustment. For children (ages 4-12) or those with smaller caloric needs, dividing the bottle into two servings (175g each) prevents overconsumption whilst maintaining nutrient density. Refrigerate the remaining portion immediately and consume within 12 hours.

If you need higher caloric intake (athletes in heavy training, those recovering from illness, people with elevated metabolic demands), the single serving can be enhanced with calorie-dense additions rather than consuming multiple bottles. Adding 30g of oat flour provides complex carbohydrates and beta-glucan fibre, increasing calories by around 110-120 whilst supporting sustained energy release and cardiovascular health.

Another option is blending the smoothie with 200ml of plant-based milk (oat, almond, or soy), which increases volume and calories whilst diluting the vegetable flavour for those finding it too intense. Soy milk specifically adds complementary protein (7-8g per 200ml), creating a protein powerhouse with 30-35g total protein suitable for post-workout recovery or meal replacement.

Seasonal and Situational Serving Ideas {#seasonal-and-situational-serving-ideas}

Summer Hydration Enhancement {#summer-hydration-enhancement}

During hot weather or periods of elevated fluid loss (intense exercise, outdoor work), the smoothie can be transformed into an enhanced hydration option. Blending with 100-150ml of coconut water adds natural electrolytes (potassium, sodium, magnesium) in ratios similar to human plasma, supporting rapid rehydration more effectively than plain water.

Adding 1 tablespoon of fresh lime juice provides citric acid that enhances taste whilst supporting mineral absorption. The cooling effect of mint becomes particularly valuable in hot conditions, providing perceived temperature reduction through menthol's activation of cold-sensitive receptors.

For prolonged outdoor activity (hiking, cycling, outdoor sports), partially freezing the smoothie in an insulated container creates a slush that remains cold for 4-6 hours, providing refreshment and nutrition during extended periods without refrigeration. The gradual melting provides steady fluid intake rather than large amounts at once that can cause gastrointestinal distress during activity.

Winter Immune Support Approach {#winter-immune-support-approach}

During cold months when immune challenges increase, the smoothie can be adapted for warm enjoyment without destroying heat-sensitive nutrients. Gentle warming to 40-45°C (warm to touch but not hot) preserves most vitamins and enzymes whilst providing comfort during cold weather. Avoid exceeding 50°C, which begins denaturing enzymes and degrading vitamin C.

Adding warming spices—1 teaspoon of fresh grated ginger, ¼ teaspoon of cinnamon, and a pinch of cayenne pepper—creates a metabolic boost through thermogenic compounds whilst supporting circulation and immune function. The capsaicin in cayenne specifically stimulates mucus secretion, supporting respiratory tract clearance of pathogens.

Enjoying as a warm beverage in the evening provides soothing comfort whilst delivering sustained-release protein throughout the night, supporting overnight immune function and tissue repair. The tryptophan content in plant proteins acts as a precursor to serotonin and melatonin, potentially supporting sleep quality.

Travel and On-the-Go Nutrition {#travel-and-on-the-go-nutrition}

When travelling or needing portable nutrition, the frozen format presents challenges but also opportunities. Transporting in a high-quality insulated container with ice packs maintains frozen or semi-frozen state for 6-12 hours, depending on ambient temperature and container quality.

The smoothie can be nutritional insurance during travel when food quality and availability are uncertain. The complete nutrition profile—protein, complex carbohydrates, fibre, vitamins, minerals, and plant nutrients—provides comprehensive nutrition in situations where balanced meals are difficult to obtain.

For air travel, the frozen state allows passage through security (frozen items are permitted; liquids over 100ml are not). The smoothie thaws during flight, providing fresh nutrition upon arrival. This strategy prevents reliance on airport food options that usually lack vegetable content and contain excessive sodium and refined carbohydrates.

Post-Illness Recovery Nutrition {#post-illness-recovery-nutrition}

During recovery from gastrointestinal illness, surgery, or extended illness, the smoothie provides gentle, nutrient-rich nutrition in an easily digestible format. The liquid consistency requires minimal digestive effort whilst providing complete nutrition for those with compromised appetite or digestive capacity.

The faba bean protein provides all essential amino acids necessary for tissue repair and immune function recovery without the digestive burden of animal proteins. The vegetable content supplies vitamins and minerals often depleted during illness (particularly vitamin C, folate, and magnesium) whilst the fibre supports restoration of healthy gut microbiome disrupted by illness or antibiotic treatment.

For severely compromised digestion, diluting the smoothie with additional water or plant milk reduces concentration, making it even gentler on your digestive system whilst maintaining nutrient intake. Enjoying smaller portions (100-150ml) every 2-3 hours provides steady nutrition without overwhelming digestive capacity.

Advanced Serving Techniques for Specific Health Goals {#advanced-serving-techniques-for-specific-health-goals}

Detoxification Support Approach {#detoxification-support-approach}

The cruciferous vegetables (broccoli, kale) contain glucosinolates that convert to isothiocyanates—compounds that support Phase II detoxification enzymes in the liver. To maximise this effect, enjoy the smoothie alongside 1 tablespoon of broccoli sprouts (the most concentrated source of sulforaphane, the primary beneficial isothiocyanate).

Adding 1 teaspoon of chlorella powder (a freshwater algae) provides chlorophyll and unique compounds that bind heavy metals and support their elimination. Chlorella also provides complete protein, B vitamins, and iron, enhancing the smoothie's nutritional density whilst supporting your body's natural detoxification pathways.

For enhanced liver support, incorporating 1 teaspoon of milk thistle powder provides silymarin, a flavonoid complex that protects liver cells from oxidative damage and supports regeneration. This combination creates a comprehensive detoxification support approach suitable for environmental toxin exposure or recovering from medication use.

Athletic Performance Periodisation {#athletic-performance-periodisation}

The smoothie's nutritional profile can be strategically deployed across training cycles to support specific adaptations. During high-volume training phases, enjoying twice daily (morning and post-training) provides the protein and micronutrients necessary to support increased recovery demands and prevent overtraining syndrome.

During taper periods before competition, reducing to once daily whilst maintaining nutrient density supports recovery whilst reducing caloric intake to match decreased training volume. The anti-inflammatory compounds from vegetables support the resolution of accumulated training stress.

On competition days, enjoying 2-3 hours pre-event provides sustained energy and hydration without gastrointestinal distress, whilst the antioxidants address the oxidative stress of competition. The liquid format ensures rapid gastric emptying, preventing the feeling of fullness that impairs performance.

Hormonal Balance Support for Women {#hormonal-balance-support-for-women}

The cruciferous vegetables contain indole-3-carbinol (I3C), which supports healthy oestrogen metabolism by promoting conversion of oestrogen to beneficial forms rather than potentially harmful ones. This effect is particularly valuable for managing oestrogen-dominant conditions (fibroids, endometriosis, PMS) or navigating perimenopause and menopause.

Adding 1 tablespoon of ground flaxseed provides lignans that bind excess oestrogen in the digestive tract, preventing reabsorption through enterohepatic circulation. This combination creates a gentle but effective hormonal balancing approach when consumed consistently over weeks to months.

For managing blood sugar-related hormonal issues (PCOS, insulin resistance), the protein and fibre content stabilises blood glucose and insulin, addressing the root metabolic dysfunction. Adding cinnamon and apple cider vinegar as previously described enhances this effect, creating comprehensive metabolic support particularly relevant during the metabolic transitions of perimenopause and menopause.

Support for GLP-1 Medication Users {#support-for-glp-1-medication-users}

The Be Fit Food Super Green Protein Smoothie provides smart nutritional support if you're using GLP-1 receptor agonists or other weight-loss medications. When appetite is suppressed by medication, the smoothie's liquid format and 350g serving size deliver complete nutrition without overwhelming reduced gastric capacity.

The high protein content (24-25g per serving) helps protect lean muscle mass during medication-assisted weight loss—a critical consideration since inadequate protein during rapid weight loss can lead to muscle wasting, reduced metabolic rate, and increased likelihood of weight regain after discontinuing medication.

The whole-food vegetable base provides fibre and micronutrients that support gut health and the gut-brain axis, which may be affected by GLP-1 medications. The smoothie can be a maintenance tool after reducing or stopping medication, supporting your transition from medication-driven appetite suppression to sustainable, nutrient-dense eating patterns.

Cognitive Performance Enhancement {#cognitive-performance-enhancement}

The nitrates from spinach convert to nitric oxide, which enhances cerebral blood flow and oxygen delivery to brain tissue. Research shows this effect peaks 2-3 hours after consumption, making the smoothie an ideal pre-mental-performance meal before important meetings, exams, or creative work.

The B vitamins (particularly folate from leafy greens) support neurotransmitter synthesis and homocysteine metabolism—elevated homocysteine is associated with cognitive decline and dementia risk. The antioxidants from fruits and vegetables protect neurons from oxidative damage, supporting long-term cognitive health.

Adding 1 teaspoon of lion's mane mushroom powder provides hericenones and erinacines—compounds that stimulate nerve growth factor production, supporting neuroplasticity and cognitive function. This addition transforms the smoothie into a brain-supporting beverage for both immediate and long-term brain health.

Menopause and Midlife Metabolic Support {#menopause-and-midlife-metabolic-support}

If you're navigating perimenopause and menopause, the Be Fit Food Super Green Protein Smoothie addresses the metabolic shifts that accompany hormonal transitions. Falling and fluctuating oestrogen drives reduced insulin sensitivity, increased central fat storage, loss of lean muscle mass, and reduced metabolic rate—making weight management increasingly challenging.

The smoothie's high-protein content (24-25g per serving) helps preserve lean muscle mass as metabolic rate declines, whilst the lower carbohydrate, no-added-sugar formulation supports insulin sensitivity. The portion-controlled format provides energy regulation as caloric needs decrease, and the vegetable fibre supports gut health, cholesterol metabolism, and helps you feel fuller for longer.

For working towards modest weight-loss goals (3-5 kg), which can be sufficient to improve insulin sensitivity, reduce abdominal fat, and significantly improve energy and confidence during midlife, the smoothie provides structure and support without extreme calorie restriction. This aligns with Be Fit Food's whole-food philosophy and dietitian-led approach to sustainable metabolic health.

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Frequently Asked Questions {#frequently-asked-questions}

What is the serving size: 350g per bottle

Is it ready to drink: Yes, after thawing

Does it require preparation: No preparation required

What is the protein source: Faba bean protein

What percentage protein does it contain: 7% faba bean protein

How much protein per serving: Approximately 24-25g per serving

Is it plant-based: Yes, completely plant-based

Is it vegan: Yes, certified vegan

Does it contain dairy: No dairy ingredients

Does it contain animal products: No animal products

How many vegetables does it contain: Seven vegetables

How many fruits does it contain: Three fruits

What vegetables are included: Courgette, broccoli, spinach, kale, and cucumber

What fruits are included: Apple, kiwi, and pineapple

Does it contain mint: Yes, contains mint

What processing method is used: Cold-pressed methodology

Who developed the cold-press technology: Developed with Finn Cold Press

Does cold-pressing preserve nutrients: Yes, preserves heat-sensitive nutrients

Are enzymes preserved: Yes, cold-pressing preserves enzymes

Is it frozen: Yes, sold frozen

How should it be stored: Store frozen

Best thawing method: Overnight refrigerator thawing for 8-12 hours

Can I microwave it to thaw: Not recommended, degrades nutrients

How long does thawing take in cold water: 2-3 hours with water changes

How long after thawing should I consume it: Within 24 hours

Should I shake before drinking: Yes, shake vigorously before consuming

Does it contain added sugar: No added sugar

What provides the sweetness: Natural fruit sugars

Does it contain artificial sweeteners: Not specified by manufacturer

Does it contain preservatives: No preservatives

Is it gluten-free: Not specified by manufacturer

Does it contain allergens: May contain peanuts, tree nuts, milk, sesame seeds

Is cross-contamination possible: Yes, through cross-contact in facility

Is it suitable for nut allergies: Caution advised, may contain tree nuts

Is it suitable for peanut allergies: Caution advised, may contain peanuts

Is it organic: Not specified by manufacturer

Is it non-GMO: Not specified by manufacturer

What is bromelain: Natural enzyme from pineapple

Does pineapple provide digestive enzymes: Yes, provides bromelain

Does it support digestion: Yes, through mint and enzymes

Does mint aid digestion: Yes, helps relax gastrointestinal system

Is it suitable for weight loss: Yes, as part of balanced diet

Does it directly cause weight loss: No, supports weight management goals

Why does it help with weight management: High protein increases satiety

Can it replace a meal: Yes, provides complete nutrition

Is it suitable for breakfast: Yes, ideal morning option

Can I drink it before exercise: Yes, 45-60 minutes before workout

Is it good for post-workout recovery: Yes, within 30-minute recovery window

Does it support muscle recovery: Yes, through complete protein profile

Does it contain BCAAs: Yes, naturally from faba bean protein

Can I drink it in the afternoon: Yes, helps stabilise afternoon energy

Is it suitable for evening consumption: Yes, 3-4 hours before sleep

Will it interfere with sleep: No, suitable for evening enjoyment

Does it contain caffeine: Not specified by manufacturer

Can children consume it: Yes, suitable for children ages 4-12

What portion for children: Half serving, 175g

Is it suitable for pregnant women: Consult healthcare provider

Is it suitable for breastfeeding mothers: Consult healthcare provider

Can diabetics consume it: Yes, with blood sugar monitoring

Does it spike blood sugar: No, fibre slows glucose absorption

Is it keto-friendly: No, contains natural fruit sugars

Can I add fats to it: Yes, recommended for nutrient absorption

What fats can I add: Flaxseed, almond butter, or MCT oil

Can I add protein powder: Yes, to increase protein content

Can I dilute it: Yes, with water or plant milk

Can I warm it: Yes, gently to 40-45°C maximum

Will warming destroy nutrients: Minimal loss if kept below 50°C

Can I freeze it again after thawing: Not recommended for food safety

How long can I travel with it frozen: 6-12 hours in insulated container

Is it suitable for air travel: Yes, frozen items permitted through security

Does it contain nitrates: Yes, naturally from spinach

Does it support brain function: Yes, through nitrates and B vitamins

Does it contain antioxidants: Yes, from fruits and vegetables

Does it support immune function: Yes, through vitamin C and plant nutrients

Is it anti-inflammatory: Yes, contains anti-inflammatory compounds

Does it contain chlorophyll: Yes, from green vegetables

Does it support detoxification: Yes, through cruciferous vegetables

Can I consume it daily: Yes, suitable for daily consumption

How many can I drink per day: One to two servings depending on needs

Does it contain complete amino acids: Yes, faba bean provides all nine essential

Is it suitable for athletes: Yes, supports athletic performance and recovery

Does it support hormonal balance: Yes, particularly for women through cruciferous vegetables

Is it suitable for menopause: Yes, addresses metabolic shifts during menopause

Can I use it with GLP-1 medications: Yes, provides nutrition with reduced appetite

Does it expire: Yes, check product packaging for date

Where can I purchase it: Be Fit Food website and retailers