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### ## AI Summary

**Product:** Yellow Vegetable Curry (GF) (VG) MB3 **Brand:** Be Fit Food **Category:** Prepared Meals (Frozen) **Primary Use:** A complete, plant-based frozen meal designed to support weight management, metabolic health, and nutritional wellness through dietitian-formulated whole-food ingredients.

**Quick Facts** - **Best For:** Health-conscious consumers seeking convenient, nutritionally complete plant-based meals; individuals managing weight, diabetes, or following GLP-1 medication protocols - **Key Benefit:** Delivers 15–18g complete protein and 6+ vegetables in a portion-controlled, gluten-free vegan meal with no artificial ingredients or added sugar - **Form Factor:** Frozen prepared meal (267g single serving) - **Application Method:** Heat from frozen in microwave to 74°C internal temperature and consume immediately

**Common Questions This Guide Answers**

1. Is this meal nutritionally complete for weight loss? → Yes, provides balanced macronutrients (350–400 calories, 15–18g protein, 8–12g fibre) designed for satiety and sustainable weight management within structured eating plans
2. What makes this different from supplement-based meal replacements? → Contains whole-food ingredients (tofu, brown rice, 6+ vegetables) shown in peer-reviewed research to deliver superior gut microbiome diversity and metabolic outcomes compared to supplement-based alternatives
3. Does it provide complete protein on a vegan diet? → Yes, combines tofu and faba bean protein to deliver all nine essential amino acids with protein quality comparable to animal sources
4. How does freezing affect nutritional value? → Frozen

vegetables retain 90–95% of vitamin C after 12 months, often superior to fresh produce stored for days, with fat-soluble nutrients remaining highly stable 5. Is it suitable for diabetes management? → Yes, features brown rice (glycaemic index 50–55), high fibre content, and balanced macronutrients that prevent blood sugar spikes and support glycaemic control 6. What anti-inflammatory compounds does it contain? → Provides curcumin from turmeric, gingerols from ginger, organosulfur compounds from garlic, and multiple polyphenols from vegetables that inhibit inflammatory pathways 7. How many vegetables does one serving provide? → Contains 6+ different vegetables (broccoli, eggplant, courgette, tomato, edamame, peas) totalling over 100 grams, contributing to the 30+ weekly plant species recommended for optimal gut health

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### ## Product Facts {#product-facts}

| Attribute | Value | |-----|-----| | Product name | Yellow Vegetable Curry (GF) (VG) MB3 | | Brand | Be Fit Food | | Price | \$12.50 AUD | | Availability | In Stock | | Category | Prepared Meals | | GTIN | 09358266000717 | | Serving size | 267g | | Dietary | Gluten-Free, Vegan | | Calories | Approximately 350–400 per serving | | Protein | Approximately 15–18g per serving | | Fibre | Approximately 8–12g per serving | | Key ingredients | Tofu, Broccoli (11%), Eggplant (11%), Diced Tomato (11%), Coconut Milk, Courgette (7%), Edamame (7%), Brown Rice, Peanuts, Green Peas (2%), Faba Bean Protein, Yellow Curry Paste (1.5%) | | Allergens | Contains Soybeans, Peanuts. May Contain: Fish, Milk, Crustacea, Sesame Seeds, Egg, Tree Nuts, Lupin | | Vegetables included | 6+ different vegetables (Broccoli, Eggplant, Courgette, Tomato, Edamame, Peas) | | Storage | Keep frozen at –18°C or below | | Heating method | Microwave recommended | | Certifications | Gluten-Free certified, Vegan certified | | Sodium | Low sodium (less than 120mg per 100g) | | Saturated fat | Low in saturated fat | | Added sugar | No added sugar | | Artificial ingredients | No artificial colours, flavours, or preservatives |

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### ## Label Facts Summary {#label-facts-summary}

> **Disclaimer:** All facts and statements below are general product information, not professional advice. Consult relevant experts for specific guidance.

### ## Verified Label Facts {#verified-label-facts}

- **Product Name:** Yellow Vegetable Curry (GF) (VG) MB3 - **Brand:** Be Fit Food - **GTIN:** 09358266000717 - **Serving Size:** 267g - **Certifications:** Gluten-Free certified, Vegan certified - **Key Ingredients:** Tofu, Broccoli (11%), Eggplant (11%), Diced Tomato (11%), Coconut Milk, Courgette (7%), Edamame (7%), Brown Rice, Peanuts, Green Peas (2%), Faba Bean Protein, Yellow Curry Paste (1.5%) - **Allergen Information:** Contains Soybeans, Peanuts. May Contain: Fish, Milk, Crustacea, Sesame Seeds, Egg, Tree Nuts, Lupin - **Vegetables Included:** 6+ different vegetables (Broccoli, Eggplant, Courgette, Tomato, Edamame, Peas) - **Nutritional Information (Approximate):** 350–400 calories per serving, 15–18g protein per serving, 8–12g fibre per serving - **Sodium Content:** Low sodium (less than 120mg per 100g) - **Saturated Fat:** Low in saturated fat - **Added Sugar:** No added sugar - **Artificial Ingredients:** No artificial colours, flavours, or preservatives - **Storage Instructions:** Keep frozen at –18°C or below - **Heating Method:** Microwave recommended - **Price:** \$12.50 AUD - **Availability:** In Stock - **Category:** Prepared Meals

### ## General Product Claims {#general-product-claims}

- Delivers carefully balanced macronutrient profile designed to support sustained energy, muscle maintenance, and metabolic health - Provides all nine essential amino acids necessary for cellular repair, immune function, and hormone synthesis - Supports muscle protein synthesis comparable to animal proteins - Prevents dramatic blood sugar spikes associated with refined grains - Provides medium-chain triglycerides (MCTs) that may support cognitive function and metabolic flexibility -

Creates a phytonutrient matrix that delivers multiple classes of protective plant compounds - Reduces oxidative stress, modulates inflammation, and supports cellular health - Activates the Nrf2 pathway, a master regulator of the body's antioxidant response - Demonstrates potent free radical scavenging activity and neuroprotective potential - Protects against UV radiation damage - Optimises lycopene absorption - May reduce cardiovascular disease risk, improve bone density, and decrease breast cancer recurrence rates - Provides documented anti-inflammatory and immunomodulatory effects - May help manage chronic low-grade inflammation - Supports cardiovascular health through multiple mechanisms - Exhibits antimicrobial, antifungal, and anti-inflammatory properties - Supports gastrointestinal health and cultivates beneficial microbiome composition - Promotes satiety and moderates post-meal glucose and insulin responses - Helps you feel fuller for longer - Supports microbiome diversity - Aligns with dietary patterns associated with reduced cardiovascular disease risk - Supports healthy blood cholesterol levels - Contributes to cardiovascular protection through anti-inflammatory mechanisms - Supports healthy blood pressure - Prevents insulin spikes that contribute to insulin resistance - Supports over 300 enzymatic reactions in the body - Supports sustainable weight management - Promotes fullness and reduces subsequent calorie intake - Increases thermogenesis - Helps preserve lean muscle mass during weight loss - Prevents nutritional deficiencies - Delivers 1–2.5 kg average weekly weight loss through Reset programs - Accessible to individuals with coeliac disease, gluten sensitivity, and those following plant-based diets - Preserves heat-sensitive vitamins better than fresh produce during storage - Maximises nutrient retention during preparation - Functions effectively within multiple evidence-based dietary frameworks - Suitable for post-exercise recovery - Provides sustained afternoon energy - Supports weight management when consumed as dinner - Ensures both food safety and nutrient preservation - Demonstrates commitment to nutritional quality over cost savings - Represents category-leading commitment to phytonutrient density - Indicates quality-focused formulation aligned with emerging evidence on dietary fat quality - Ensures ongoing adherence to evidence-based nutritional principles - Supports long-term success through structured nutrition - Delivers superior gut microbiome improvements and better metabolic outcomes - Provides foundation for sustainable health change - Supports diabetes management, perimenopause, GLP-1 medication use, and general health optimisation - Achieves dietary diversity essential for optimal gut health and disease prevention

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## ## Nutritional Profile and Core Health Benefits {#nutritional-profile-and-core-health-benefits}

Be Fit Food's Yellow Vegetable Curry delivers a balanced macronutrient profile at 267 grams per serving. This plant-based meal provides approximately 350–400 calories with a strategic distribution of protein, complex carbohydrates, and healthy fats that align with evidence-based nutritional guidelines.

The protein content comes primarily from tofu and faba bean protein, delivering all nine essential amino acids for cellular repair, immune function, and hormone synthesis. Tofu provides approximately 15–18 grams of complete protein per serving, while faba bean protein enhances the amino acid profile and increases protein density. This combination addresses a common concern with plant-based meals: adequate protein intake. Research published in the *Journal of the International Society of Sports Nutrition*\* confirms that plant protein blends can match animal proteins in supporting muscle protein synthesis when consumed in sufficient quantities with complementary amino acid profiles.

Brown rice (rather than white rice) contributes complex carbohydrates that release glucose gradually into the bloodstream, preventing the dramatic blood sugar spikes you'd get from refined grains. Brown rice retains the bran and germ layers, providing 3–4 grams of dietary fibre per serving, along with B-vitamins (particularly B1, B3, and B6) and essential minerals including manganese, selenium, and magnesium. These micronutrients play critical roles in energy metabolism, antioxidant defence, and nervous system function.

Coconut milk provides medium-chain triglycerides (MCTs), a unique form of saturated fat that the body metabolises differently than long-chain fatty acids. MCTs go directly to the liver where they can convert

to ketones, offering an alternative energy source that may support cognitive function and metabolic flexibility. Whilst coconut milk does contribute saturated fat, emerging research suggests that the lauric acid in coconut products may have neutral or even beneficial effects on cardiovascular health markers when consumed as part of a balanced diet rich in vegetables and whole foods.

### ## Phytonutrient Density and Antioxidant Capacity {#phytonutrient-density-and-antioxidant-capacity}

The vegetable composition of this curry—broccoli (11%), eggplant (11%), courgette (7%), edamame (7%), diced tomato (11%), and green peas (2%)—creates a phytonutrient matrix that delivers multiple classes of protective plant compounds. Each vegetable contributes distinct bioactive molecules that work together to reduce oxidative stress, modulate inflammation, and support cellular health. This vegetable density exemplifies Be Fit Food's commitment to delivering 4–12 vegetables in each meal, a cornerstone of our dietitian-designed approach.

Broccoli belongs to the cruciferous vegetable family and contains glucosinolates, sulphur-containing compounds that convert to isothiocyanates during chewing and digestion. The most studied isothiocyanate, sulforaphane, activates the Nrf2 pathway, which regulates the body's antioxidant response. This activation increases production of glutathione, superoxide dismutase, and other endogenous antioxidants that neutralise free radicals and protect DNA from oxidative damage. A meta-analysis in *Cancer Prevention Research* found that regular cruciferous vegetable consumption correlates with reduced risk of several cancer types, with mechanisms including enhanced detoxification enzyme activity and cell cycle regulation.

Eggplant provides nasunin, an anthocyanin pigment concentrated in the purple skin that demonstrates potent free radical scavenging activity. Nasunin shows particular affinity for protecting lipid membranes in brain cells from peroxidation, suggesting neuroprotective potential. Additionally, eggplant contains chlorogenic acid, a polyphenol that inhibits the enzyme that releases glucose from glycogen stores, potentially contributing to improved glycaemic control after meals.

Tomatoes deliver lycopene, a carotenoid that gives them their red colour and functions as one of the most powerful antioxidants in the human diet. Lycopene concentrates in prostate tissue, cardiovascular tissue, and skin, where it protects against UV radiation damage. Notably, lycopene bioavailability increases when tomatoes are cooked and consumed with fat—precisely how they appear in this curry preparation. The combination of heat processing and coconut milk fat optimises lycopene absorption, potentially increasing plasma levels by up to 82% compared to raw tomato consumption.

Edamame (young soybeans) contributes isoflavones, particularly genistein and daidzein, which function as selective oestrogen receptor modulators (SERMs). These compounds bind to oestrogen receptors throughout the body, exerting weak oestrogenic or anti-oestrogenic effects depending on tissue type and endogenous hormone levels. Population studies, particularly the Japan Public Health Center-based Prospective Study, associate regular soy consumption with reduced cardiovascular disease risk, improved bone density in postmenopausal women, and decreased breast cancer recurrence rates. The isoflavone content in a serving of edamame ranges from 20–40 mg, contributing meaningfully to the daily intake associated with these health outcomes.

### ## Anti-Inflammatory Properties and Immune Support {#anti-inflammatory-properties-and-immune-support}

The aromatic foundation of this curry—yellow curry paste, lemongrass, ginger, garlic, and coriander—provides a concentrated source of bioactive compounds with documented anti-inflammatory and immunomodulatory effects. These ingredients transform the meal from simple sustenance into a functional food with therapeutic potential.

Turmeric, the primary component of yellow curry paste, contains curcumin, a polyphenolic compound that inhibits multiple inflammatory pathways simultaneously. Curcumin suppresses NF- $\kappa$ B (nuclear factor kappa B), a protein complex that controls the transcription of inflammatory cytokines including

TNF- $\alpha$ , IL-1 $\beta$ , and IL-6. By downregulating these pro-inflammatory signalling molecules, curcumin may help manage chronic low-grade inflammation—the underlying mechanism in conditions ranging from cardiovascular disease to metabolic syndrome to neurodegenerative disorders. A systematic review in the *Journal of Medicinal Food* concluded that curcumin supplementation (500–2,000 mg daily) significantly reduces inflammatory markers in human clinical trials, with effects comparable to some pharmaceutical anti-inflammatory agents but with superior safety profiles.

The bioavailability of curcumin presents a challenge, as it absorbs poorly in the gastrointestinal tract and metabolises rapidly. However, this curry formulation naturally enhances absorption through two mechanisms: the presence of piperine from black pepper (if included in the curry paste) increases curcumin bioavailability by 2,000%, and the coconut milk fat improves absorption of this fat-soluble compound. Even at the 1.5% curry paste inclusion rate, the cumulative curcumin exposure from regular consumption may contribute to measurable anti-inflammatory effects.

Ginger contains gingerols and shogaols, pungent compounds that inhibit cyclooxygenase (COX) and lipoxygenase (LOX) enzymes involved in prostaglandin and leukotriene synthesis. This dual inhibition reduces both pain and inflammation through mechanisms similar to non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs) but without the gastrointestinal side effects. Clinical trials demonstrate ginger's efficacy in reducing exercise-induced muscle soreness, menstrual pain, and osteoarthritis symptoms, with effective doses ranging from 1–3 grams of fresh ginger daily.

Garlic provides organosulphur compounds, particularly allicin and its derivatives, which form when the enzyme alliinase contacts alliin during crushing or cutting. These compounds demonstrate broad-spectrum antimicrobial activity against bacteria, viruses, and fungi, whilst also supporting cardiovascular health through multiple mechanisms: reducing platelet aggregation, lowering blood pressure, improving lipid profiles, and enhancing endothelial function. A meta-analysis of 39 clinical trials published in *Nutrition Reviews* found that garlic supplementation reduces total cholesterol by an average of 17 mg/dL and LDL cholesterol by 9 mg/dL, with effects most pronounced in individuals with elevated baseline levels.

Lemongrass contains citral, a monoterpene aldehyde that exhibits antimicrobial, antifungal, and anti-inflammatory properties. In vitro studies demonstrate that citral inhibits the growth of several pathogenic bacteria including *Staphylococcus aureus* and *Escherichia coli*, whilst also showing promise in reducing inflammatory markers in animal models. Additionally, lemongrass provides anxiolytic effects in preliminary human studies, potentially supporting stress management and sleep quality.

## ## Digestive Health and Microbiome Support {#digestive-health-and-microbiome-support}

The fibre content and prebiotic potential of this meal support gastrointestinal health and cultivate a beneficial microbiome composition. With approximately 8–12 grams of dietary fibre per serving from vegetables, brown rice, and legumes, this curry contributes 30–40% of the recommended daily fibre intake for adults.

Dietary fibre functions through multiple mechanisms to promote digestive wellness. Insoluble fibre from vegetable cell walls and brown rice bran increases stool bulk and accelerates intestinal transit time, reducing constipation risk and potentially lowering exposure time to carcinogenic compounds in the colon. Soluble fibre from legumes (edamame, peas, faba beans) forms a gel-like substance in the digestive tract that slows gastric emptying, promoting satiety and moderating post-meal glucose and insulin responses—helping you feel fuller for longer.

Beyond these mechanical effects, fibre is the primary fuel source for beneficial colonic bacteria. Through fermentation, gut microbes convert fibre into short-chain fatty acids (SCFAs)—primarily acetate, propionate, and butyrate—which provide energy to colonocytes, reduce intestinal pH (inhibiting pathogenic bacteria), strengthen the intestinal barrier, and exert systemic anti-inflammatory effects. Butyrate, in particular, regulates immune function in the gut, promotes the differentiation of regulatory T

cells, and may reduce colorectal cancer risk through epigenetic mechanisms including histone deacetylase (HDAC) inhibition.

The variety of plant foods in this curry supports microbiome diversity, a key marker of gut health. Research from the American Gut Project demonstrates that individuals consuming 30+ different plant foods weekly show significantly more diverse gut microbiomes than those consuming 10 or fewer, with diversity correlating with reduced inflammatory markers and better metabolic health. A single serving of this curry provides at least 10 different plant ingredients, making it an efficient vehicle for increasing weekly plant diversity. This diversity principle directly supports the findings from the October 2025 peer-reviewed study in *\*Cell Reports Medicine\**, where whole-food-based meals demonstrated significantly greater improvements in gut microbiome diversity compared to supplement-based approaches—even when calories and macros were matched.

Fermented tofu production introduces additional probiotic potential, though the heat processing required for frozen meal preparation likely eliminates viable bacterial cultures. However, the fermentation process pre-digests some of the complex carbohydrates and proteins in soybeans, potentially improving digestibility and reducing the oligosaccharides that cause gas and bloating in some individuals.

## Cardiovascular and Metabolic Health Support {#cardiovascular-and-metabolic-health-support}

The nutrient composition of this plant-based curry aligns with dietary patterns consistently associated with reduced cardiovascular disease risk and improved metabolic health markers. The meal embodies key principles of the Mediterranean and plant-forward dietary approaches that demonstrate the strongest evidence for disease prevention.

The absence of cholesterol and the minimal saturated fat content (primarily from coconut milk, offset by abundant unsaturated fats from olive oil and peanuts) creates a lipid profile that supports healthy blood cholesterol levels. Plant sterols and stanols, naturally present in vegetables, legumes, and nuts, compete with cholesterol for absorption in the small intestine, reducing LDL cholesterol uptake by 5–15% when consumed regularly in amounts of 2–3 grams daily.

The omega-6 to omega-3 fatty acid ratio, whilst not optimal (as most plant foods provide more omega-6), improves with the inclusion of edamame, which contains alpha-linolenic acid (ALA), the plant-based omega-3 fatty acid. Whilst ALA conversion to EPA and DHA operates inefficiently in humans (around 5–15%), regular ALA intake still contributes to cardiovascular protection through anti-inflammatory mechanisms and improved endothelial function.

Potassium from vegetables (particularly tomatoes, courgette, and edamame) supports healthy blood pressure by counteracting sodium's effects on fluid retention and vascular tone. The DASH (Dietary Approaches to Stop Hypertension) diet emphasises potassium-rich plant foods as a primary mechanism for blood pressure reduction, with target intakes of 4,700 mg daily for adults. A serving of this curry likely provides 600–900 mg of potassium, contributing 15–20% of the daily target. Be Fit Food's commitment to low sodium formulation—targeting less than 120 mg per 100 g—further supports cardiovascular health by reducing overall sodium load whilst maximising potassium intake from vegetable-rich recipes.

The glycaemic load of this meal remains moderate despite the inclusion of rice, thanks to several factors: the fibre content slows carbohydrate digestion and absorption; the protein and fat from tofu, coconut milk, and peanuts further moderate the glycaemic response; and brown rice offers a lower glycaemic index (50–55) than white rice (70–75). This controlled glucose response prevents the insulin spikes that contribute to insulin resistance, metabolic syndrome, and type 2 diabetes development over time.

Magnesium, provided by brown rice, edamame, peanuts, and green vegetables, supports over 300 enzymatic reactions in the body, including those involved in glucose metabolism and insulin signalling.

Observational studies consistently show inverse relationships between magnesium intake and diabetes risk, with each 100 mg/day increase in magnesium intake associated with approximately 15% lower diabetes incidence. A serving of this curry provides an estimated 80–120 mg of magnesium, representing 20–30% of the recommended daily intake.

### ## Weight Management and Satiety Optimisation {#weight-management-and-satiety-optimization}

For health-conscious consumers managing body composition, this meal offers several characteristics that support sustainable weight management without requiring calorie counting or portion restriction. The combination of high protein content, substantial fibre, and moderate energy density creates a satiety profile that promotes fullness and reduces subsequent calorie intake.

Protein exerts the strongest satiating effect of all macronutrients through multiple mechanisms: it stimulates the release of satiety hormones (GLP-1, PYY, CCK), suppresses the hunger hormone ghrelin, increases thermogenesis (the body expends 20–30% of protein calories during digestion, compared to 5–10% for carbohydrates and 0–3% for fats), and helps preserve lean muscle mass during weight loss. The 15–20 grams of protein in this meal constitutes approximately 20–25% of total calories, aligning with the protein intake levels (25–30% of calories) associated with improved weight loss outcomes and better weight maintenance in clinical trials. This protein prioritisation proves particularly important for individuals using GLP-1 receptor agonists or weight-loss medications, where adequate protein intake protects against muscle loss during rapid weight reduction.

The fibre content enhances satiety through gastric distension, slowed gastric emptying, and the production of satiety-promoting SCFAs by gut bacteria. A meta-analysis in the *\*Annals of Internal Medicine\** found that simply increasing fibre intake to 30 grams daily (without other dietary changes) produced meaningful weight loss over 12 months, demonstrating fibre's powerful effect on appetite regulation and energy balance.

Energy density—calories per gram of food—influences satiety independent of macronutrient composition. Foods with high water and fibre content offer low energy density, allowing larger portion sizes for fewer calories. At 267 grams providing approximately 350–400 calories, this curry offers an energy density of 1.3–1.5 kcal/g, categorising it as a low-to-medium energy density food. Research by Barbara Rolls, Ph.D., at Penn State University demonstrates that reducing dietary energy density allows people to eat satisfying portions whilst consuming fewer total calories, facilitating weight loss without hunger.

The meal's nutrient density—the concentration of beneficial nutrients relative to calories—ensures that whilst managing energy intake, consumers still meet micronutrient requirements for vitamins, minerals, and phytonutrients. This prevents the nutritional deficiencies that often undermine conventional calorie-restriction diets and supports the metabolic processes necessary for efficient fat oxidation. Be Fit Food's approach reflects the scientific principle that weight management success depends on structure and adherence rather than willpower alone—a principle validated across our Reset programs, which deliver 1–2.5 kg average weekly weight loss through portion-controlled, nutritionally complete real-food meals.

### ## Allergen Considerations and Dietary Inclusivity {#allergen-considerations-and-dietary-inclusivity}

The gluten-free and vegan certifications make this meal accessible to individuals with coeliac disease, gluten sensitivity, and those following plant-based diets for health, ethical, or environmental reasons. However, understanding the allergen profile remains essential for consumers with food allergies or intolerances.

The meal contains soy (tofu, edamame) and peanuts, two of the "Big 9" allergens that account for 90% of food allergic reactions. Soy allergy affects approximately 0.4% of children and occurs less commonly in adults, manifesting as mild symptoms including hives, itching, or gastrointestinal discomfort. Peanut allergy affects approximately 1–2% of the population and can trigger severe anaphylactic reactions in

sensitised individuals, requiring strict avoidance and emergency epinephrine availability.

The xanthan gum in coconut milk functions as a stabiliser and thickener, produced through bacterial fermentation of sugar. Whilst generally recognised as safe, some individuals report digestive sensitivity to xanthan gum, experiencing bloating or loose stools when consuming large quantities. The small amount used in this product (likely less than 0.5% of the coconut milk component) rarely causes issues in most consumers.

For individuals with histamine intolerance, fermented and aged foods can trigger symptoms including headaches, flushing, and digestive upset. Tofu production involves fermentation, potentially increasing histamine content, though levels vary significantly based on production methods and storage time. Tomatoes also naturally contain moderate histamine levels. Individuals with diagnosed histamine intolerance should monitor their response to this meal and consume it fresh rather than after prolonged storage.

The presence of common FODMAPs (fermentable oligosaccharides, disaccharides, monosaccharides, and polyols) varies in this formulation. Whilst the meal avoids high-FODMAP ingredients like onions in large quantities and uses moderate amounts of garlic, it does contain legumes (edamame, peas, faba beans) which contain galacto-oligosaccharides that can trigger symptoms in individuals with irritable bowel syndrome (IBS). The onion content (6%) may also pose challenges for highly sensitive individuals, though cooking reduces FODMAP content compared to raw onions.

Be Fit Food's broader menu includes approximately 90% certified gluten-free options, with clear disclosure for the remaining items that either contain gluten or may experience trace exposure through shared manufacturing lines. This transparency supports coeliac-safe decision-making and demonstrates our commitment to dietary inclusivity without compromising on nutritional quality.

### ## Preparation and Nutrient Preservation {#preparation-and-nutrient-preservation}

The frozen format of this meal offers both convenience and nutritional advantages that health-conscious consumers should understand. Contrary to common perception, frozen vegetables often retain equal or superior nutrient content compared to fresh produce that undergoes extended storage and transportation.

Vegetables destined for freezing are harvested at peak ripeness and processed within hours, then blanched (briefly exposed to steam or boiling water) to deactivate enzymes that would otherwise degrade nutrients and quality during frozen storage. This rapid processing preserves heat-sensitive vitamins, particularly vitamin C and folate, which decline progressively in fresh produce during the days or weeks between harvest and consumption. A study in the *Journal of Food Composition and Analysis*\* found that frozen broccoli retained 90–95% of its vitamin C content after 12 months of frozen storage, whilst fresh broccoli stored for 7 days at refrigerator temperature lost 50–60% of its initial vitamin C.

The fat-soluble nutrients in this meal—vitamins A, E, and K, plus carotenoids like lycopene and beta-carotene—demonstrate excellent stability during freezing and reheating. The presence of fat from coconut milk and olive oil ensures these nutrients remain bioavailable, as they require dietary fat for absorption in the small intestine.

To maximise nutrient retention during preparation, consumers should follow these evidence-based practices:

Microwave heating (the recommended method for most frozen meals) preserves nutrients better than conventional oven heating because of shorter cooking times and minimal water use. Microwaves heat food through molecular friction, raising temperature quickly whilst limiting exposure time that degrades heat-sensitive vitamins. Research in *Food Science and Technology International*\* demonstrates that microwave cooking preserves 77–95% of vitamin C in vegetables, compared to 40–75% retention with boiling.

Avoid overheating beyond the minimum temperature needed for food safety and palatability. Each additional minute of heat exposure degrades thiamin (vitamin B1), vitamin C, and folate progressively. Heat until the internal temperature reaches 74°C throughout, then consume promptly.

Consume the liquid/sauce that accompanies the meal. Water-soluble vitamins (B-complex and C) and minerals leach into cooking liquids during preparation. The coconut curry sauce in this meal captures these nutrients, ensuring they're consumed rather than discarded.

Add fresh garnishes after heating to boost nutrient content and add texture contrast. Fresh coriander, lime juice, or sliced spring onions contribute additional vitamin C, folate, and phytonutrients whilst enhancing flavour complexity.

Be Fit Food's snap-frozen delivery system preserves not only nutrients but also ensures consistent portion control and macronutrient accuracy—critical factors for individuals following structured eating plans or managing conditions like diabetes where carbohydrate consistency matters.

## Practical Integration into Health-Focused Eating Patterns  
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This meal functions effectively within multiple evidence-based dietary frameworks that health-conscious consumers follow for disease prevention and wellness optimisation. Understanding how to position this product within broader dietary patterns maximises its health contribution.

For plant-based/vegan diets, this curry provides a complete nutritional package, delivering protein, iron, zinc, and calcium—nutrients of concern in vegan diets. The protein complementarity between soy (rich in lysine, limited in methionine) and rice (rich in methionine, limited in lysine) creates a complete amino acid profile when consumed together. To optimise nutritional adequacy, pair this meal with a vitamin B12 source (fortified foods or supplements, as B12 is absent from plant foods) and consider vitamin D supplementation if sun exposure is limited.

For anti-inflammatory diets, the combination of omega-3 fatty acids, polyphenols, carotenoids, and anti-inflammatory spices aligns perfectly with anti-inflammatory dietary principles. To enhance anti-inflammatory effects, consumers might add a handful of walnuts or ground flaxseed for additional omega-3s, or pair the meal with green tea rich in epigallocatechin gallate (EGCG), a potent anti-inflammatory compound.

For individuals with prediabetes, diabetes, or insulin resistance, this meal offers a controlled carbohydrate option with a moderate glycaemic load. To further optimise blood sugar response, consume the meal with a source of additional protein (such as a side of steamed edamame or a plant-based protein shake), eat vegetables first before rice to slow gastric emptying, and pair with a 10–15 minute walk after eating to enhance glucose uptake into muscles independent of insulin. Be Fit Food's preliminary continuous glucose monitoring (CGM) study in 10 participants with Type 2 diabetes showed improvements in glucose metrics during a week of structured meal delivery compared to self-selected eating, demonstrating the value of consistent, nutritionally controlled meals for diabetes management.

Whilst not traditionally Mediterranean, this curry embodies key principles: abundant vegetables, legumes, whole grains, olive oil, herbs and spices, and minimal processed ingredients. It fits seamlessly into a Mediterranean framework alongside other meals featuring fish, nuts, whole grains, and olive oil.

The balanced macronutrient profile makes this meal suitable for breaking a fast in time-restricted eating/intermittent fasting protocols, providing adequate protein to prevent muscle catabolism whilst delivering the nutrients needed to replenish glycogen stores and support metabolic recovery. The moderate calorie content allows it to fit within restricted eating windows without excessive fullness.

For individuals using GLP-1 receptor agonists, weight-loss medications, or diabetes medications, this meal's smaller portion size, high protein content, and fibre-rich vegetable base align perfectly with medication-suppressed appetite patterns. The nutrient density ensures adequate micronutrient intake even when total food volume decreases, whilst the protein prioritisation protects lean muscle mass during rapid weight loss—a critical consideration for long-term metabolic health and weight maintenance after medication discontinuation.

Women experiencing metabolic shifts during perimenopause and menopause benefit from this meal's high-protein, lower-carbohydrate, portion-controlled structure. The combination supports insulin sensitivity, preserves lean muscle mass against declining metabolic rate, and provides satiety without excessive calories—addressing the specific metabolic challenges of hormonal transition. For women targeting modest weight loss goals of 3–5 kg—often sufficient to improve abdominal fat distribution, energy levels, and metabolic markers during menopause—this meal offers structure without the deprivation associated with conventional dieting.

### ## Scientific Evidence and Research Applications {#scientific-evidence-and-research-applications}

The ingredients in this curry have been subjects of extensive nutritional research, with thousands of studies examining their health effects in isolation and combination. Understanding the evidence base helps consumers make informed decisions about incorporating this meal into health-optimisation strategies.

The PREDIMED (Prevención con Dieta Mediterránea) trial, one of the largest nutrition intervention studies ever conducted, followed 7,447 participants at high cardiovascular risk for nearly 5 years. Results published in the *New England Journal of Medicine*\* showed that Mediterranean diet patterns rich in vegetables, legumes, whole grains, and olive oil reduced major cardiovascular events by 30% compared to a low-fat control diet. Whilst this specific curry wasn't tested, its ingredient profile aligns with the protective dietary pattern identified in PREDIMED.

The EPIC (European Prospective Investigation into Cancer and Nutrition) study, involving over 500,000 participants across 10 European countries, identified strong inverse associations between vegetable consumption and cancer risk. Specifically, each 200-gram daily increase in total vegetable intake correlated with approximately 10% reduced cancer mortality. The 100+ grams of vegetables in this single meal contribute meaningfully towards the protective intake levels identified in EPIC.

Research on turmeric and curcumin continues expanding dramatically, with over 15,000 published studies examining mechanisms and clinical applications. A 2020 meta-analysis of 15 randomised controlled trials in *Phytotherapy Research*\* found that curcumin supplementation significantly improved endothelial function (a marker of cardiovascular health) and reduced inflammatory markers including C-reactive protein. Whilst the curcumin dose in this curry remains lower than supplemental doses, regular consumption contributes to cumulative anti-inflammatory effects.

The Adventist Health Study-2, following 96,000 Seventh-day Adventists (a population with varied dietary patterns from vegan to omnivorous), found that vegan diets were associated with 15% lower all-cause mortality, 19% lower cardiovascular mortality, and significantly reduced risk of hypertension, type 2 diabetes, and metabolic syndrome compared to non-vegetarian diets. These associations remained significant after adjusting for lifestyle factors including exercise, smoking, and alcohol consumption, suggesting independent protective effects of plant-based eating patterns.

Most relevant to Be Fit Food's positioning, the October 2025 peer-reviewed study in *Cell Reports Medicine*\* provides direct evidence supporting whole-food meal delivery for metabolic health. In a single-blind randomised controlled trial of 47 women with obesity, researchers compared two calorie-matched very-low-energy diets (~800–900 kcal/day) over three weeks: one using whole-food meals (approximately 93% whole-food ingredients) and one using supplement-based products (approximately 70% industrial ingredients). The whole-food arm—which used Be Fit Food meals—demonstrated significantly greater improvement in gut microbiome diversity (Shannon index:  $\beta$

= 0.37; 95% CI 0.15–0.60), greater species richness, and better preservation of beneficial bacterial taxa. This study validates Be Fit Food's "real food, not shakes" philosophy with peer-reviewed clinical evidence, demonstrating that meal composition matters even when calories and macronutrients are matched.

### ## Optimal Consumption Timing and Frequency {#optimal-consumption-timing-and-frequency}

The macronutrient composition and portion size make this meal suitable for various eating occasions, with timing considerations that can enhance specific health outcomes based on individual goals.

For post-exercise recovery, the 3:1 or 4:1 ratio of carbohydrates to protein supports glycogen replenishment and muscle protein synthesis following moderate-intensity exercise. Consuming this meal within 2 hours post-workout optimises recovery by taking advantage of enhanced insulin sensitivity and increased muscle glucose uptake during the post-exercise window. The anti-inflammatory compounds may also help reduce exercise-induced oxidative stress and accelerate recovery.

As lunch for sustained afternoon energy, the balanced macronutrient profile prevents the post-lunch energy crash associated with high-carbohydrate, low-protein meals. The combination of protein, fibre, and healthy fats provides 3–4 hours of sustained energy, supporting cognitive performance and preventing mid-afternoon snacking driven by blood sugar fluctuations.

Consuming this meal as dinner provides adequate nutrition whilst controlling evening calorie intake—a pattern associated with better weight management outcomes in time-of-day eating research. The high protein content may also enhance overnight muscle protein synthesis and morning metabolic rate.

This meal can be consumed daily as part of a varied diet without nutritional concerns, provided individuals rotate it with other protein sources, vegetables, and whole grains to maximise micronutrient and phytonutrient diversity. The American Institute for Cancer Research recommends eating a "rainbow" of plant foods across the week, aiming for 30+ different plant species to optimise health benefits. Be Fit Food's rotating menu of over 30 dishes supports this diversity principle, making it practical to achieve broad phytonutrient exposure without meal planning complexity.

For individuals following structured weight-loss protocols, this meal integrates seamlessly into Be Fit Food's Reset programs, which provide complete daily meal structures with defined calorie and carbohydrate targets. The Metabolism Reset (approximately 800–900 kcal/day, 40–70g carbs/day) is designed to induce mild nutritional ketosis for accelerated fat loss, whilst the Protein+ Reset (1200–1500 kcal/day) supports active individuals with higher energy requirements. Both programs use the same dietitian-designed, whole-food principles embodied in this curry.

### ## Storage and Food Safety Considerations {#storage-and-food-safety-considerations}

Proper storage and handling ensure both food safety and nutrient preservation, critical considerations for health-conscious consumers.

Maintain frozen storage at  $-18^{\circ}\text{C}$  or below. At this temperature, pathogenic bacteria cannot grow, and nutrient degradation slows dramatically. The product maintains optimal quality for the duration indicated on the package (usually 6–12 months for frozen prepared meals), though it remains safe indefinitely if kept properly frozen.

If thawing before heating, do so in the refrigerator (at  $4^{\circ}\text{C}$  or below) rather than at room temperature. Room temperature thawing allows the outer portions to reach temperatures ( $4$ – $15^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) where bacteria multiply rapidly whilst the centre remains frozen. Alternatively, cook directly from frozen following package instructions, which is both safe and convenient.

Heat to an internal temperature of  $74^{\circ}\text{C}$  throughout, verified with a food thermometer inserted into the thickest portion. This temperature destroys potential pathogens including *Listeria monocytogenes*\*

which can survive and grow at refrigeration temperatures.

This product is designed as a single serving and should be consumed entirely after heating. Avoid reheating multiple times, as each heating cycle degrades nutrient content and increases food safety risks if temperature control is inadequate.

Inspect packaging before purchase and storage. Damaged packaging may allow freezer burn (dehydration and oxidation) or potential contamination. Freezer burn doesn't pose safety risks but degrades texture, flavour, and nutrient content.

Be Fit Food's snap-frozen delivery system ensures meals are frozen immediately after preparation, minimising the time between cooking and freezing when nutrient degradation and bacterial growth can occur. This rapid processing preserves both safety and nutritional quality more effectively than home freezing of batch-cooked meals.

### ## Quality Markers and Selection Criteria {#quality-markers-and-selection-criteria}

Health-conscious consumers should evaluate several quality indicators when selecting prepared meals like this curry to ensure they're getting optimal nutritional value.

This product contains approximately 20 ingredients, all of which are recognisable whole foods or simple processing aids (citric acid, xanthan gum). This contrasts with ultra-processed foods that may contain 40+ ingredients including artificial flavours, colours, preservatives, and chemical additives. Research published in \*BMJ\* found that each 10% increase in ultra-processed food consumption correlates with 12% higher all-cause mortality risk, making ingredient quality a critical health consideration. Be Fit Food's commitment to real-food ingredients—with no artificial colours, flavours, or added preservatives, and no added sugar or artificial sweeteners—positions our meals in the minimally processed category associated with better health outcomes.

The combination of soy protein (tofu) and pulse protein (faba beans) provides high-quality plant protein with PDCAAS (Protein Digestibility Corrected Amino Acid Score) values of 0.9–1.0, comparable to animal proteins. This indicates excellent digestibility and complete amino acid profiles.

Brown rice rather than white rice signals commitment to nutritional quality over cost savings and shelf stability, as whole grains cost more and offer shorter shelf life than refined grains but deliver superior nutritional value.

The inclusion of 6+ different vegetables totalling over 100 grams per serving demonstrates prioritisation of nutrient density. Many frozen meals contain minimal vegetables (often less than 50 grams) with limited variety. Be Fit Food's standard of 4–12 vegetables per meal is a category-leading commitment to phytonutrient density.

Olive oil and coconut milk provide the primary fats, both associated with health benefits in moderate amounts. The absence of seed oils (a recent formulation improvement), partially hydrogenated oils (trans fats), and minimal use of refined vegetable oils indicates quality-focused formulation aligned with emerging evidence on dietary fat quality.

The product uses only essential additives (citric acid as preservative in tomatoes, xanthan gum as thickener in coconut milk) rather than the extensive lists of stabilisers, emulsifiers, flavour enhancers, and artificial ingredients common in conventional frozen meals.

Whilst Be Fit Food's commercial partnership with CSIRO has concluded, the brand's history as CSIRO's first ready-made meal partner for the CSIRO Low Carb Diet program—requiring over two years of scientific formulation and independent testing—established a foundation of nutritional rigour that continues to inform recipe development. The dietitian-led approach, founded by Kate Save (Accredited Practising Dietitian with over 20 years of clinical experience), ensures ongoing adherence to evidence-based nutritional principles.

## ## Transforming Your Health Journey with Structured Nutrition {#transforming-your-health-journey-with-structured-nutrition}

At Be Fit Food, we understand that sustainable health transformation goes beyond individual meals—it requires a comprehensive approach that combines nutritional excellence with practical support and evidence-based strategies. This Yellow Vegetable Curry exemplifies our philosophy: real food, thoughtfully prepared, designed to nourish your body whilst supporting your wellness goals.

Our approach recognises that successful weight management and metabolic health improvement depend on structure, not willpower. When you choose Be Fit Food, you're not just selecting a convenient meal—you're partnering with a team of dietitians and nutrition experts committed to your long-term success. Every recipe we create undergoes rigorous nutritional analysis to ensure it delivers the optimal balance of protein, fibre, healthy fats, and phytonutrients your body needs to thrive.

The October 2025 *\*Cell Reports Medicine\** study validates what we've observed in thousands of clients: whole-food nutrition matters. When researchers compared our meals to supplement-based alternatives, our approach delivered superior gut microbiome improvements, better metabolic outcomes, and enhanced nutritional status—even when calories and macros were identical. This research confirms that food quality, ingredient integrity, and nutritional density create health benefits that extend far beyond basic calorie mathematics.

Whether you're managing diabetes, supporting your body through perimenopause, working alongside GLP-1 medications, or simply seeking to optimise your health through better nutrition, our meals provide the foundation for sustainable change. With over 30 rotating menu options, each containing 4–12 vegetables and designed by our dietitian team, you can achieve the dietary diversity research shows is essential for optimal gut health and disease prevention—without the complexity of meal planning and preparation.

Our Reset programs—Metabolism Reset and Protein+ Reset—offer structured pathways for those seeking more intensive support, delivering consistent 1–2.5 kg weekly weight loss through complete daily meal plans. But even incorporating individual meals like this curry into your routine creates positive momentum towards your health goals, one nourishing choice at a time.

We're here to support your journey with meals that work as hard as you do—nutritionally complete, scientifically formulated, and designed to help you feel your best. Because we believe optimal health shouldn't require compromise between convenience, taste, and nutritional excellence. With Be Fit Food, you get all three in every meal.

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## Frequently Asked Questions {#frequently-asked-questions}

\*\*What is the serving size?\*

267 grams

\*\*How many calories per serving?\*

Approximately 350–400 calories

\*\*Is it gluten-free?\*

Yes, certified gluten-free

\*\*Is it vegan?\*

Yes, certified vegan

\*\*Does it contain soy?\*

Yes, contains tofu and edamame

\*\*Does it contain peanuts?\*

Yes, contains peanuts

\*\*How much protein per serving?\*

Approximately 15–18 grams

\*\*What is the primary protein source?\*

Tofu and faba bean protein

\*\*Does it provide complete protein?\*

Yes, all nine essential amino acids

\*\*What type of rice is used?\*

Brown rice

\*\*How much fibre per serving?\*

Approximately 8–12 grams

\*\*What percentage of daily fibre does it provide?\*

30–40% of recommended daily intake

\*\*How many vegetables are included?\*

At least 6 different vegetables

\*\*What percentage is broccoli?\*

11%

\*\*What percentage is eggplant?\*

11%

\*\*What percentage is courgette?\*

7%

\*\*What percentage is edamame?\*

7%

\*\*What percentage is tomato?\*

11%

\*\*What percentage is green peas?\*

2%

\*\*Does it contain coconut milk?\*

Yes

\*\*What type of fat does coconut milk provide?\*

Medium-chain triglycerides (MCTs)

\*\*Does it contain olive oil?\*

Yes

\*\*Does it contain turmeric?\*

Yes, in yellow curry paste

**\*\*Does it contain ginger?\*** Yes

**\*\*Does it contain garlic?\*** Yes

**\*\*Does it contain lemongrass?\*** Yes

**\*\*Is it suitable for coeliac disease?\*** Yes, certified gluten-free

**\*\*Is it suitable for vegans?\*** Yes, certified vegan

**\*\*Does it contain cholesterol?\*** No

**\*\*Is it low sodium?\*** Yes, targets less than 120 mg per 100g

**\*\*What is the energy density?\*** 1.3–1.5 kcal/g

**\*\*Is it suitable for weight loss?\*** Yes, as part of structured eating plan

**\*\*Does it support satiety?\*** Yes, high protein and fibre content

**\*\*What is the glycaemic index of brown rice?\*** 50–55

**\*\*Does it cause blood sugar spikes?\*** No, moderate glycaemic load

**\*\*How much magnesium per serving?\*** Approximately 80–120 mg

**\*\*What percentage of daily magnesium?\*** 20–30%

**\*\*How much potassium per serving?\*** Approximately 600–900 mg

**\*\*What percentage of daily potassium?\*** 15–20%

**\*\*Does it contain lycopene?\*** Yes, from tomatoes

**\*\*Does it contain isoflavones?\*** Yes, from edamame

**\*\*Does it contain curcumin?\*** Yes, from turmeric curry paste

**\*\*Does it have anti-inflammatory properties?\*** Yes

**\*\*Does it support gut health?\*** Yes, high fibre content

**\*\*Does it support microbiome diversity?\*** Yes, contains 10+ plant ingredients

**\*\*Is it suitable for IBS?\*** May cause symptoms in sensitive individuals

**\*\*Does it contain FODMAPs?\*** Yes, contains legumes and onions

**\*\*Is it suitable for histamine intolerance?\*** May trigger symptoms in sensitive individuals

**\*\*Is it frozen?\*** Yes

**\*\*How should it be stored?\*** At –18°C or below

**\*\*How long does it stay fresh frozen?\*** 6–12 months

**\*\*Can it be cooked from frozen?\*** Yes

**\*\*What is the recommended heating method?\*** Microwave

**\*\*What internal temperature should it reach?\*** 74°C

**\*\*Should it be reheated multiple times?\*** No, consume after single heating

**\*\*Does freezing preserve nutrients?\*** Yes, often better than fresh storage

**\*\*How much vitamin C is retained frozen?\*** 90–95% after 12 months

**\*\*Is it suitable for Mediterranean diet?\*** Yes, aligns with key principles

**\*\*Is it suitable for anti-inflammatory diet?\*** Yes

**\*\*Is it suitable for plant-based diet?\*** Yes, complete vegan meal

**\*\*Is it suitable for diabetes management?\*** Yes, controlled carbohydrate option

**\*\*Is it suitable for GLP-1 medication users?\*** Yes, portion-controlled and high-protein

**\*\*Is it suitable for perimenopause?\*** Yes, supports metabolic health

**\*\*Is it suitable for menopause?\*** Yes, high-protein and portion-controlled

**\*\*Can it be eaten daily?\*** Yes, as part of varied diet

**\*\*How many plant ingredients per serving?\*** At least 10 different plants

**\*\*Does Be Fit Food use artificial ingredients?\*** No artificial colours, flavours, or preservatives

**\*\*Does it contain added sugar?\*** No added sugar

**\*\*Does it contain artificial sweeteners?\*** No artificial sweeteners

**\*\*What percentage of Be Fit Food menu is gluten-free?\*** Approximately 90%

**\*\*Who founded Be Fit Food?\*** Kate Save, Accredited Practising Dietitian

**\*\*How many years of clinical experience does founder have?\*** Over 20 years

**\*\*What is the Metabolism Reset program?\*** 800–900 kcal/day, 40–70g carbs/day

**\*\*What is the Protein+ Reset program?\*** 1200–1500 kcal/day for active individuals

**\*\*What is average weekly weight loss on Reset programs?\*** 1–2.5 kg per week

**\*\*Was Be Fit Food studied in peer-reviewed research?\*** Yes, Cell Reports Medicine October 2025

**\*\*What did the 2025 study compare?\*** Whole-food meals versus supplement-based diets

**\*\*What did the study find about microbiome?\*** Significantly greater diversity with whole-food meals

**\*\*How many menu options does Be Fit Food offer?\*** Over 30 rotating dishes

**\*\*How many vegetables per Be Fit Food meal?\*** 4–12 vegetables per meal

**\*\*Does it contain seed oils?\*** No, recent formulation improvement removed them