# EAT YOUR PERSIMMONS

# **Nutrition Facts**

Serving Size: Calories 59	½ medium persimmon (84g) Calories from Fat 1
	% Daily Value
Total Fat 0g	0%
Saturated Fa	it 0g 0%
Trans Fat 0g	
Cholesterol On	ng 0%
Sodium 1mg	0%
Total Carbohy	trate 16g 5%
Dietary Fiber	3g 12%
Sugars 11g	
Protein 0g	
Vitamin A 27% Vitamin C 11%	

### **Exploring New Fruits and Vegetables**

List four fruits and four vegetables you would like to try.

Fruits	Vegetables
1.	1.
2.	2.
3.	3.
4.	4.

Use the calendar below and place an X in the box for each day you tried at least one of the fruits or vegetables from your list.

Week	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT	SUN
1							
2							

Share the results with your family and answer these questions.

- 1. How many new fruits and vegetables did you try?  $\_$
- 2. Which are your favorites?  $\_$

#### Reasons to Eat Persimmons

Half of a medium persimmon has lots of vitamin A. Eating

persimmons is also a good way to get fiber and vitamin C. Persimmons have many antioxidants like beta-carotene, which turns into vitamin A in

the body. Vitamin A helps maintain good vision, fight infection, and keep skin healthy.

#### **Beta-Carotene Champions\*:**

Cantaloupe, carrots, mangos, papayas, persimmons, pumpkin, spinach, and sweet potatoes.

\*Champion sources provide a rich source of beta-carotene.

## **How Much Do I Need?**



Half of a medium persimmon is about one cupped handful of sliced persimmons. This is about a ½ cup of fruit. The amount of fruits and vegetables you need depends on your age, if you are a boy or a girl, and how active you are every day. All forms count toward your daily needs – fresh, frozen, canned, and dried. Write down a list of fruits and vegetables you will eat to reach your daily amount. (See chart below.) And remember to get at least 60 minutes of activity every day.

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#### **Recommended Daily Amount of Fruits and Vegetables\*\***

	Kids, Ages 5-12	Teens and Adults, Ages 13 and up
Boys	2 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> - 5 cups per day	4 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> - 6 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> cups per day
Girls	2½ - 5 cups per day	3½ - 5 cups per day

\*\*If you are active, eat the higher number of cups per day. Visit **www.mypyramid.gov/kids** to learn more.





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