# EAT YOUR PERSIMMONS

## **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
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Share the results with your family and answer these questions.

1 How many new fruits and vegetables did you try?

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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.



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	2½ - 5 cups per day	4½ - 6½ cups per day		
Girls	2½ - 5 cups per day	3½ - 5 cups per day		

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



Serving Size: ½ medium

	persimmon (84g)
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Calories 59	Calories from Fat 1
	% Daily Value
Total Fat 0g	0%
Saturated Fat 0g	0%
Trans Fat 0g	
Cholesterol 0mg	0%
Sodium 1mg	0%
Total Carbohydrate	16g 5%
Dietary Fiber 3g	12%
Sugars 11g	
Protein 0g	
Vitamin A 27%	Calcium 1%
Vitamin C 11%	Iron 1%







