

Pros & Cons of the Carnivore Diet

Below is a summary of the pros and cons of the carnivore diet. For a more in-depth discussion, please read this post.

Pros	Cons
Nutrient-dense	Risk of malnutrition
Carnivore diet foods: provide you with all the nutrients your body ever needs are highly bio-available free from plant toxins metabolically healthy.	There is a risk of malnutrition if you don't do it properly, for example, by not eating a variety of animal source foods and not eating noseto-tail. For example, if you focus only on muscle meat, there is very little calcium or vitamin C.
Health benefits	No dietary acute stressors
It can help solve many health problems such as inflammation, autoimmune, gut issues, and overweight and obesity.	There is an absence of dietary acute stressors in the form of plant anti-nutrients which can make your body more resilient and stronger.
Super simple	Less metabolically flexible
It is super simple. Eat animal source foods and drink water, full stop. No calorie, macro and micronutrient counting is needed. Shopping and cooking are also quick and easy.	You will be less flexible metabolically if you are on a meat-only diet and have no carb for a long time.
Cost effective	Difficult to fit in socially
It is cost-effective. You will save a lot of money on food and drinks by eating this way. If your health improves, like many have found, you will also save money on health care costs.	It'll be difficult for you to fit in socially when you are in the tiny minority. You will be questioned and may face fierce and hostile objection about your dietary choice.