## **Autistic Spectrum Disorder - Food Selection by Colour**

This table is for reference purposes only. It aims to provide food ideas for children based on colour selection. As an example, if you notice that your child has strong preferences towards white foods, then to expand the diet variety of your child, you could try to **slowly introduce** alternative white foods. To start with, try other white foods that have similar smells and tastes to his/her current food liking, such as replacing plain popcorn with rice cake. **Increased food exposure** might help to expand the familiarity of 'new' foods for your child. However, **never give up** on introducing new foods!

Food Colour	Food Group					
	Bread & Cereal	Vegetable	Fruit	Meat/Fish/Poultry/Legumes	Dairy	
White	Barley	White asparagus	Peeled banana	Butter beans	Milk	
	Quinoa	Peeled aubergines	Peeled lychee	Cannellini	Soy milk	
	Rice	(Eggplant)	Peeled longan	Large white kidney beans	Yoghurt	
	Rice paper	Bamboo shoots	Peeled rambutan	Macadamia nut	Vanilla ice-cream	
	Rice noodle	Bean sprouts	Peeled mangosteen	Raw/canned peanut	Milk pudding	
	Udon noodle	Cauliflowers	Peeled pomelo	Skinless brazil nuts	Feta cheese	
	Mung bean (glass)	Stem of Bok Choy	Peeled guava	Lotus seed	Mozzarella cheese	
	noodles	Stem of Chinese cabbage	White currants	Lily bulb		
	Oats	Tapioca	White mulberry	Octopus/ squid		
	Amaranth	Chicory	Nashi pear	Oyster		
	Rice cakes	White corn	White peach	Tofu		
	Plain popcorn	White button mushroom	White nectarine	Pork		
	Sago	Oyster mushroom (Grey	Water chestnut	White fish		
	Pearl couscous	white)		Chicken		
	White bread (crust left)	White potato		Quail		
	Flat bread	White radish		Turkey		
		White turnip		Egg white		
		Parsnip		Chicken/ Pork sausages		
		Lotus root				
		Taro				

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Beige/ Brown	Buckwheat noodle Whole-wheat spaghetti Brown rice Pappadum Wholemeal bread Rye bread Whole-grain bread Pita bread Fruit loaf Carrot cake Melba toast Bran	Chestnut cap mushroom Brown mushroom	Brown pear	Chestnut Brown lentils Roasted cashew nuts Roasted peanuts Walnuts Almonds Hazelnuts	Chocolate flavoured dairy products		
Orange	Orange cake	Carrot Orange sweet potato Pumpkin Orange pepper Butternut squash	Papaya/ Papaw Orange Mandarin Rockmelon Persimmon	Cooked salmon	Cheshire cheese Swiss cheese		
Red	Beetroot Tagliatelle Thai red rice	Tomato Red capsicum Red pepper Red radishes	Cherry Strawberry Cranberry Raspberry Ruby/red grapefruit Watermelon Red Williams pear Red plum Red apple	Adzuki bean Red kidney bean Beef Veal Mutton Lamb Offal Game meat Red meat sausages	Berry flavoured dairy products		

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Green	Spinach pasta	Choko	Kiwi	Pistachio nuts	Pistachio flavoured	
		Cucumber	Honeydew	Green Mung beans	dairy products	
		Asparagus	Green pear		Green tea flavoured	
		Broccoli	Avocado		dairy products	
		Celery	Granny Smith apple			
		Pea				
		Snap beans				
		Snake beans				
		Leek				
		Iceberg lettuce				
		Oak leaf				
		Cos lettuce				
		Little gem				
		Okra				
		Green pepper				
		Snow pea sprout				
		Spinach				
		Watercress				
		Ripe green tomato				
		Green cherry tomato				
		Asian green vegetables				
		Wakame				
		Brussel Sprouts				
I		Green olives				
N		Alfalfa				

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Black/Purple	Squid ink taglioni Black glutinous rice Wild rice	Nori Wood ear (Judas's ear) Black truffle Shitake mushroom Black radish Black olives Beetroot Purple-tipped asparagus Purple cauliflower (Green after cooked) Red cabbage Red oak leaf Lollo rossa Purple sweet potato Purple/black pepper Yam	Blackberry Blackcurrant Black mulberry Dried prune Purple plum	Black pudding Black pea	Taro flavoured dairy products Violet/ Lavender flavoured dairy products	

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