

# Turmeric



How to Use It for Mind, Body & Spirit

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Health Benefits of Turmeric

Why add turmeric into your diet? Research has shown that turmeric and curcumin have a variety of proven medicinal benefits.



- Boosts Immune System
- Fights Against Cancer
- Helps Prevents Alzheimer's
- Reduces Stress
- Anti-Depressant
- Anti-inflammatory
- Decreases Risk of Heart Disease
- Antioxidant
- Age Reversing

The Roots of Turmeric

"Turmeric is an embodiment of intelligence." - Sayer Ji

Although it grows in many tropical locations, the majority of turmeric is grown in India, where it is used as a main ingredient in curry. It has been used medicinally and as a culinary ingredient in India for over 5,000 years.



## Turmeric & Curcumin

What is the relationship between turmeric and curcumin?

- Turmeric is a spice from the root of the Curcuma longa plant.
- Turmeric contains curcumin, a substance with over 100 pharmacological actions, including powerful antioxidant and antiinflammatory properties.
- Curcumin makes up approximately 2-5% of the dried weight in turmeric.
- For a more potent dose, curcumin can be taken directly. Look for 95% concentration.
- For best absorption it's important to take turmeric or curcumin with black pepper, or for it to be combined with fats and/or lecithin.



### The Most Common Forms of Turmeric

Turmeric can be used in a variety of forms both internally and externally. You can buy it in root form, powder, as a supplement or as a lotion to be used on the face and skin.



### **Daily Dosage of Turmeric**

How much turmeric should you consume to retain the health benefits? Here are a few helpful tips to get you started.

- Sayer uses 1/2 1.5 teaspoons per day of the dried root powder, certified organic.
- A typical dose of supplemental curcumin is about 250mg per day, and often increased when dealing with a condition.
- Many find benefit to taking 400-600 mg of turmeric extract in pill form up to three times a day or as suggested by the label.
- Look for a supplement that is paired with black pepper to aid in absorption, or add black pepper with turmeric in culinary use.
  - Try and get a product standardized for 95% curcuminoids. For enhanced absorption find one that is also phospholipid-bound or lecinthinized.



### **16 Simple Ways To Add Turmeric Into Your Diet**

Don't be overwhelmed! There are numerous ways to add turmeric into your everyday routine.

- Add a dash to soups
- Mix it with rice
- Try it with roasted potatoes
- Add it to a smoothie
- Include it in your bone broth
- Add a pinch to your eggs
- Sprinkle with sautéed onions
- Add it to roasted cauliflower



### 16 Simple Ways To Add Turmeric Into Your Diet cont'd...

Tip: start off small and gradually add more if needed. Too much turmeric can be overwhelming.

- Mix it with lemon for a marinade
- Add it to tea
- Mix it with kale or spinach
- Add it to olive oil for a glaze
- Sprinkle it on an ear of corn
- Mix it in a bean salad
- Add it to your tofu dishes
- Try it with lentil soup or salad



### How to Make Turmeric Tea

You can make a simple turmeric tea with just a few ingredients. This recipe is an easy way to add turmeric into your diet.

#### INGREDIENTS

1 Cup Water or Almond Milk
1 Teaspoon Turmeric
1 Teaspoon Cinnamon
1 Tablespoon Honey
1/2 tsp of Black Pepper

#### DIRECTIONS

Bring water or almond milk to a boil and simply add in the ingredients. Steep for 10-15 minutes.



### **Turmeric Smoothie**

Simply add all of the ingredients into the blender and blend for 30-45 seconds. Get creative and experiment!

#### INGREDIENTS

1 Banana
1/2 Cup Blueberries
1 Cup Water or Almond Milk
1/2 Teaspoon Turmeric
1 & 1/2 Teaspoon Honey
1 Tablespoon Coconut Oil



### How to Make Turmeric Rice

Heat oil in a saucepan with diced onions for about 5 minutes on medium heat. Add the turmeric, garlic and bell peppers for another few minutes. Add water and rice. Reduce heat to low and simmer for 30-45 minutes.

#### INGREDIENTS

Cup Basmati Rice
Tbsp Olive Oil
Bell Pepper
Teaspoon Sea Salt
Teaspoon Turmeric
Cup Diced Onions
cloves grated garlic
1/2 Cups Water



### Using Turmeric on Your Body

There are a variety of ways you can use turmeric for cleansing and rejuvenation of the skin and body.

- As a facial cleanser
- Use it to brighten your teeth
- Customized foundation
- Add life to your soap
- Scalp scrub to deter dandruff
- Natural dye for easter eggs
- Reduce pain from a strain
- Use it to fight acne



### **Turmeric for Skin & Body**

Turmeric can be used in a variety of ways for skincare. Follow these simple steps!

#### Acne:

Mix turmeric powder with water. Apply facial mask for 20 minutes and rinse.

#### **Oily Skin**

1 1/2 tbsp of sandalwood powder, a pinch of turmeric & 3 tbsp orange juice. Apply for 15 minutes.

#### Aging

Mix equal portions of turmeric and besam with water. Apply evenly to face. Let dry. Rinse off and scrub with water.

#### Soothe Burns

Mix turmeric with equal parts aloe vera gel and apply to burned or irritated area.



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#### Dandruff

Mix turmeric with oil of choice (olive, coconut, jojoba) and massage into scalp. Leave for 15 minutes and shampoo/rinse as usual.

#### **Teeth Whitening**

Simply mix turmeric with water and brush on teeth. You can also sprinkle turmeric on your toothpaste before brushing.

#### **Makeup Foundation**

Sprinkle turmeric with your favorite moisturizer to boost your skin glow and create a foundation.

#### Enliven Your Soap

Add a few tsp's to your homemade soap.



### **Turmeric Health Research**

Turmeric is the most widely researched natural substance with over 15,000 studies published to date. These articles provide some of the most compelling research on it's healing ability.



### Turmeric articles from greenmedinfo.com:

- Turmeric Produces 'Remarkable' Recovery in Alzheimer's Patients
- Science Confirms Turmeric As Effective As 14 Drugs
- Turmeric Beats Ibuprofen for Arthritis of the Knee
- 500 Reasons Turmeric May Be The World's Most Important Herb
- Could Turmeric Save Us From The CDC's 'Nightmare Bacteria'?
- Turmeric's Healing Power: A Physical Manifestation of Compassion?

### **Turmeric Video Resources**

Enjoy these videos that explore how turmeric can heal disease, kill cancer, and revolutionize your health!



- How Turmeric Kills Cancer Cells
- Turmeric Better Than Ibuprofen for Arthritis
- How to Make Detox Turmeric Tea
- How Turmeric Stops Rheumatoid Arthritis
- The Turmeric Drink that Can Revolutionize Your Health
- Turmeric Its Top 3 Healthy Benefits and How to Use it Daily!

