

## **Healthy Ingredient Substitutions**

Bread Crumbs	<ul> <li>For 1 cup:</li> <li>1 cup rolled oats. By doing this you cut the calories in half and add extra fiber.</li> <li>1 cup ground whole wheat croutons</li> <li>1 cup whole grain chips</li> <li>1 cup whole wheat saltine crackers</li> <li>1 cup whole wheat pretzels</li> </ul>
Butter	<ul> <li>For 1 cup:</li> <li>1 cup prune puree. Doing this cuts the calories in half, eliminates most of the fat, and adds fiber. Try a DIY method by blending 3/4 cup of pitted prunes with 1/4 cup hot water until smooth.</li> </ul>
Buttermilk	<ul> <li>For 1 cup:</li> <li>1 tablespoon of white vinegar or lemon juice + enough milk to measure 1 cup.</li> <li>Stir, then let stand for 5 minutes.</li> </ul>
Cream	<ul> <li>For 1 cup:</li> <li>Use equal amount of pureed sweet potato. You still get a rich flavor, but with the sweet potato at 130 calories compared to a 1/2 cup of cream at 400 calories, you tell us which is the better option.</li> </ul>
Cream Cheese	<ul> <li>For 1 cup:</li> <li>Use low-fat cottage cheese. Use a food processor to get the lumps out. Not only will you not be able to tell the difference, but you'll eat less fat, fewer calories, and more protein this way.</li> </ul>
Eggs	For 1 egg:  • 1/3 cup mashed banana. You'll cut fat in the recipe from 5 grams to only 1 gram.
Flour	<ul> <li>For 1 cup:</li> <li>1 cup black bean puree (rinse and drain beans before pureeing). This is a good option for those who are gluten-free, and you'll cut out up to 200 calories. Since the color will change, try this in a cake or brownie recipe.</li> </ul>
Mayonnaise	<ul> <li>For 1 cup:</li> <li>1 cup plain Greek yogurt. The difference in calories is amazing. Even light mayo has 3 times the calories and 11 times the fat of Greek yogurt.</li> </ul>
Oil	<ul> <li>For 1 cup:</li> <li>1 cup unsweetened applesauce. You'll cut 100 calories. Using applesauce adds a nice consistency and a hint of sweetness without the extra fat.</li> </ul>
Sugar	<ul> <li>For 1 cup:</li> <li>Use half the sugar if you're making baked goods and add vanilla, nutmeg, or cinnamon to intensify the sweetness.</li> </ul>

