# EGGS CONTAIN NUTRIENTS THAT ARE IMPORTANT FOR HEALTH

# EYE

Lutein and zeaxanthin are antioxidants found in egg yolks that can promote eye health as you age.1

#### **MUSCLE**

Eating 20-30 grams of protein, from foods like eggs, promotes muscle recovery following exercise.2

Adequate protein intake also helps prevent muscle loss during aging.

### STOMACH

Eating eggs at breakfast can keep one energized until lunch without the annoying hunger pangs.

Researchers suspect that the protein in eggs keeps people feeling satisfied.3

### **BONE**

Eggs are one of the only foods that naturally contain vitamin D, a nutrient critical for bone health.4

## **BRAIN**

One large egg is an excellent source of choline - an essential nutrient critical for fetal brain development and brain function.

Eating eggs may also be associated with improved cognitive performance in adults.5

#### **HFART**

Research suggests eggs can be part of a heart-healthy diet.

A recent review showed eating eggs may reduce the risk of stroke by 12 percent.6

#### BI OOD

Research studies have shown dietary cholesterol (say, from eggs) does not negatively impact blood cholesterol.

In fact, eating eggs may increase HDL "good" cholesterol.7





Protein Packed: 6g high-quality protein per



Nutrient-Dense: One egg has varying amounts of 14 essential nutrients including choline and vitamin D



Portion Controlled: Each nutrient-rich large egg has 70 calories

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