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Celebrate the Organic Harvest!

Organic is the fastest growing sector of the US food industry, contributing greatly to human and planetary health. In celebration of Organic Harvest Month, we've created a special section starting on page 49 that reports on the latest organic news, showcases delicious and healthy organic recipes, and details the benefits of organic agriculture.

In addition to being harvest time, September marks the time of year we traditionally start worrying about cold and flu season. Fortunately, many supplements can help bolster immunity. This month, we focus on the power of probiotics, which we tend to think about for digestive health (page 41). We also highlight how medicinal mushrooms can boost immunity on page 47.

Speaking of natural remedies, those who want to avoid taking prescription medications for high cholesterol will want to read

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Cures A-Z

Ever wish you were friends with an integrative doctor who could help you with your ailments? Look no further than "Cures A-Z," written by board-certified internist Jacob Teitelbaum, MD. Get quick access to integrative treatments for hundreds of health conditions. Learn more at CuresAZ.com.

"Taming Cholesterol" on page 32. The suggested herbs, dietary tips, and lifestyle advice may help you lower your numbers naturally.

Many of us take food purchasing decisions very seriously, wanting to do what's best for ourselves and the planet. If you have

a hard time keeping track of which seafood is sustainable, read our story on page 18 for tips.

This month's Gluten Free Focus department (page 22) showcases whole grains like teff and amaranth in tempting recipes. "Whole grains" may not sound very appetizing, but you haven't tried recipes like Low-Fat Cinnamon Walnut Loaf and Chocolate Brownie Cake with Oh-so-Rich Chocolate Glaze yet!

Being healthy doesn't need to mean deprivation. Think "celebration" instead!

To your health,

Lynn Tryba

A note on recipes

Recipes are analyzed by Anna Kanianthra, MS, LD. Nutritional values vary depending on portion size, freshness of ingredients, storage, and cooking techniques. They should be used only as a guide. Star ratings are based on standard values (SVs) that are currently recommended: ***** Extraordinary (50 percent or better), **** Top source, *** Excellent source, ** Good source, * Fair source

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