Personalised Lifestyle Programme:

Dominant Phlegmatic sub dominant Sanguinous



Overview

As **moistness** is the dominant quality associated with your temperamental combination, **an increase in moistness** from the **Six Lifestyle Factors** will **negatively affect you to the greatest extent**. An increase in heat and coldness will also affect you, but to a lesser extent, whereas an increase in the quality of **dryness will have the least negative effect on you**.

An increase in moistness can be as a result of:

Early winter	cold environment
Rainy season	humid environment and weather
Cold and moist food and drink	depression and fear
Excessive sleep and rest	lack of exercise

The **illnesses** that this combination are inclined to are those associated with the dominant Phlegmatic Temperament:

Asthma (Phlegmatic)	Colds & Flu
Sinusitis	Anaemia
Underactive thyroid	Polycystic ovarian syndrome

To a **lesser extent** this combination will also be inclined to illnesses of the Sanguinous Temperament:

Congestive headache	High blood pressure
Diabetes	Urinary tract infection
Rheumatoid arthritis	Pre-menstrual tension.

Health Promotion for this temperamental combination

As **moistness** is the dominant quality associated with your temperamental combination an excess of **moistness** in each of the lifestyle factors will have a negative effect on you.

Food and Drink

Ideally your combination should eat mostly Hot & Dry foods, followed by Cold & Dry foods, less of Hot & Moist foods, and the least amount of Cold & Moist foods.

Listed below are the four different diet charts

Additional dietary advice

- Stick to the above diet especially in autumn, rainy weather, during winter and in coastal areas.
- Avoid drinking water, cool drinks or juices during meals. If you have to, drink very little. Preferably drink liquids half an hour before meals OR 1 hour after meals.
- Drink at least 2 litres (8 glasses) of water a day.
- Avoid refined foods.
- Eat simply and avoid eating a lot of different types of foods in the same meal.
- A 20-30 minute brisk walk every day is very beneficial.
- Avoid foods and drinks containing salt as well as fried and processed meats.
- If you are emotional or upset, sit down, take a few deep breaths or drink a glass of water.

Cold & Dry Foods

Meats	Vegetables	Fruits	Nuts	Grains & Seeds	Dairy Products	Oils	Spices & Herbs	Drinks	Flavourants	Condiments & Spreads	Confectionary & Desserts	Cereals	Dishes
beef	brussel sprouts	(all sour fruits)	peanuts	barley	sour cream	coconut oil	basil	coffee		balsamic		cornflakes	sour dishes
biltong (beef)	cabbage	green apples		beans(all types)	egg white	corn oil	tamarind	ice		vinegar		maltabella	
crabs	cauliflower	cherries, coconut		corn	sour milk	sesame oil		sour fruit juices		peanut butter		mielie meal	
fish	eggplant	china/dry fruit		couscous	yoghurt			tea (black)		pickles		millet	
knuckles	green beans	granadilla		lentils						tomato sauce			
mussels	mushrooms	grape fruit		maize						worcestershire			
ostrich	peas	lemon, lime		mielies						sauce			
oysters	potatoes	naartjies, oranges		popcorn						vinegar			
pork	sauerkraut	pineapple,plums		poppy seeds									
snails	tomatoes	prunes, pomegranate		samp									
snoek		raspberries		sesame seeds									
tripe	1	strawberries											
tuna		sultanas											

Hot & Dry Foods

Meats	Vegetables	Fruits	Nuts	Grains & Seeds	Dairy Products	Oils	Spices & Herbs	Drinks	Flavourants	Condiments & Spreads	Confectionary & Desserts	Cereals	Dishes
all small bird	bitter gourd	avocado	cashews	celery seeds	eggs	mustard oil	aniseed	alcohol	pungent and	chilli sauce			spicy dishes
meat	celery	grapes	hazel nuts	chickpeas			cinnamon	grape juice	bitter	mustard sauce			
chicken	green pepper		pecan nuts	fenugreek seeds			cloves, garlic	herbal teas	flavourants	peri-peri			
lobsters	leek		walnuts	gram flour			green/red chilli	(see herbs)		sauce			
mackerel	onion			mustard seeds			fenugreek						
oily fish	red pepper			papad			lavender						
pilchards	yellow pepper						nutmeg						
prawns							oregano						
sardines							paprika						
							parsley						
							rocket, rosemary						
							saffron						
							tarragon						

Cold & Moist Foods

Meats	Vegetables	Fruits	Nuts	Grains & Seeds	Dairy Products	Oils	Spices & Herbs	Drinks	Flavourants	Condiments & Spreads	Confectionary & Desserts	Cereals	Dishes
duck	beetroot	apricot	macadamia	cucumber seeds	coconut milk		cardamom	milk shakes	fructose		custard	pronutro	
rabbit	baby marrow	cranberries		linseed	cow's milk		coriander	rooibos	glucose		ice cream	rice crispies	
	butternut	figs		melon seeds	goats milk		cumin	sugar cane	rose syrup		sago		
	broccoli, carrots	kiwi fruit		pumpkin seeds	buttermilk		vanilla	juice					
	cucumber	litchis, melons		rice cakes	butter			water					
	squash	mulberries		rice	margarine								
	lady fingers (okra)	pawpaw, pears		semolina	rice milk								
	lettuce	prickly pears			soya milk								
	pumpkin	quince											
	radish, sprouts	spanspek											
	soya beans	sweet apples											
	tofu												
	zucchini												

Hot & Moist Foods

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buck	artichokes	bananas	almonds	bread	clarified butter	castor oil	bay leaves	green tea	honey	mayonnaise	biscuits	all bran flakes	sweet dishes
goat	asparagus	dates	brazil nuts	bulgar wheat	condensed milk	olive oil	black pepper	hot water	molasses		cakes	bran	
goose	olives	guavas	pistachios	flour	cheese	sunflower oil	cayenne pepper	juices	salt	1	chocolate	honey smaks	
lamb	spinach	mangoes	apricot kernels	pasta	cream cheese		chives	(see fruits)	sugar		liquorice	muesli	
liver	spring onion	peaches		rye bread	mother's milk		ginger, fennel	herbal teas			vermicelli	nutri-k	
mutton	sweet potato	papaya		sunflower seeds	(for babies)		green masala	(see herbs)				nutrific	
turkey	turnips			wheat	fresh cream		marjoram					oats	
				macaroni			mint, sage					puffed wheat	
				dill seeds			soya sauce					taystee wheat	
							thyme,turmeric					weetbix	
							watercress						
							white pepper						

Environmental Air & Breathing

- Weather, environment, work and leisure activities that increase cold and moistness will negatively affect you.
- Because of the low heat, phlegmatic people are particularly vulnerable to a cold environment as well as cold and rainy weather.
- Heat management by wearing appropriate clothing and seeking a warm environment during cold and rainy times is of utmost importance.
- The bedroom may be heated electrically, with an electric blanket when needed.
- Recommended breathing exercises include the *Tibb* **Deep Rhythmic** breathing, the *Tibb* **Mental/Emotional** breathing and the *Tibb* **Fast and Deep** breathing exercises:

The Tibb Deep Rhythmic Breathing Exercise

This exercise is prescribed for all temperamental types. Try doing it on a regular basis, preferably in the early morning.

- Select a protected time and space.
- Sit on the floor in a squatting position with hands on thighs or in the 'lotus' position, keeping a straight back in both cases. If neither position is possible, then lie on the floor or sit in a comfortable chair,
- Draw a breath through the nose.
- Hold the breath as long as possible.
- Gaze upwards, and exhale forcefully through the mouth the mouth should be opened in an 'O' shape.
- Repeat to a maximum of 15 times

The Tibb Mental/Emotional Breathing Exercise

This exercise is also prescribed for all temperamental types. It creates harmony in the two hemispheres of the brain. Do this exercise early in the morning or late afternoon.

- Select a protected time and space, free from interruptions.
- Sit on the floor in a squatting position with hands on thighs or in the 'lotus' position, keeping a straight back in both cases. If neither position is possible, then lie on the floor or sit in a comfortable chair,
- Your right index finger should be used to close the left nostril. Take a long, deep breath through your right nostril, and hold for 15 to 20 seconds,
- Release the finger closing the nostril and close the right nostril with the right thumb.
- Breathe out through the left nostril forcefully. This counts as one complete breath.
- Repeat the same process starting with the opposite nostril.
- Start by doing 5 breaths, and slowly build up to 10;
- After completing the exercise, rest for at least 5 minutes in the same position.

The Tibb Fast and Deep Breathing Exercise

This exercise has a heating effect, so is ideal for people with a phlegmatic or melancholic temperament

- Sit on the floor in a squatting position with hands on thighs or in the 'lotus' position, keeping a straight back in both cases. If neither position is possible, then lie on the floor or sit in a comfortable chair,
- Take slow and deep breaths, breathing in and out through the nose, distending and filling the stomach for about 1 minute only.
- Then breathe deeper and faster for 3 minutes. This can be extended to 5 minutes as you become more experienced with the exercise.
- Thereafter, take slow, deep breaths again for 1 minute.

Physical Exercise

- Exercise on a daily basis will positively affect you.
- At night a brisk walk after supper is very beneficial.
- Include in the choice of physical exercise, the *Tibb* **Jogging** Exercise:

The Tibb Jogging Exercise

- Jogging is more intense than walking. It will therefore produce more heat (and dryness) than walking. This exercise is more suited to Phlegmatic and Sanguinous temperaments.
- Jog on the spot, lifting the knees as high as possible, putting the weight only on the balls of the feet (prancing). At the same time swing arms in a full circular motion.
- Start by doing this for 30 seconds building up to 5 minutes.
- Increase gradually by 30 seconds, to a maximum of 10 minutes per session.

Sleep

- Retiring early for 8 hours of sleep and rising before sunrise is advisable to avoid an excess of phlegm.
- Sleeping during the daytime should be avoided especially 1 hour before sunset as this aggravates the phlegm and leads to heaviness of the head and sinus congestion.

Emotions & Feelings

- Fear, shyness and depression are the emotional excesses of the phlegmatic temperamental combination and should be managed with breathing and meditation exercises.
- Actively try and be an atmosphere free from stress fear and worries.
- The following meditation exercises are advised together with the *Tibb* **Slow and Deep** Breathing exercise, the *Tibb* **Heart** Meditation Exercise and the *Tibb* **Pineal Body** Meditation Exercise.

The Tibb Slow and Deep Breathing Exercise

This exercise has a calming effect and therefore is ideal in meditation exercises for all temperamental types, especially for people with a dominant/sub-dominant bilious temperament.

- Sit on the floor in a squatting positions with hands on thighs or in the 'lotus' position, keeping a straight back in both cases. If neither position is possible, then lie on the floor or sit in a comfortable chair.
- Close your eyes and focus on your breathing.
- Take slow and deep breaths, breathing out through the nose, distending and filling the stomach.
- Continue breathing this way for 5 minutes.

The Tibb Heart Meditation Exercise

- Sit in a relaxed state in a calm environment, with your eyes closed.
- Concentrate on the heart and breathe deeply.
- Hold breath for a while and breathe out slowly in the same manner.
- Continue this exercise every day and night before going to bed, for 10 15 minutes.

The Tibb Pineal Body Meditation Exercise

- Sit in a relaxed state in a calm environment, with your eyes closed.
- Concentrate on the area between the eyebrows and breathe deeply.
- Hold breath for a while and breathe out slowly in the same manner.
- Continue this exercise for 10 15 minutes.

Elimination

• Laxatives should be taken to keep the bowels clear.