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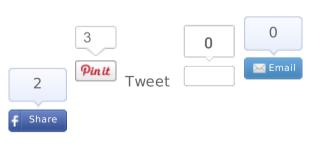
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## The Top 5 Health Benefits of Herbal Tea

How the Best Herbal Teas Prevent Disease and Weight Gain!

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The good news is that herbal teas can help you stave off cancer, reduce your high cholesterol, prevent illness, and even more! Take our tips on the benefits of herbal tea and use them to decide for yourself whether this humble drink is right for you!

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## The Benefits of Herbal Tea

So how do the best herbal teas benefit body and mind? Find out here:

#### 1. Herbal teas prevent cancer

It has been established that drinking the best herbal teas, such as green tea, can help to reduce the drinker's risk of cancer (1). This is because green teas contain high levels of antioxidants, which prevent tumors in the bladder, breasts, lungs, stomach, pancreas and colon.

#### 2. Herbal teas help you to resist viruses

Researchers have found that drinking varieties of herbal tea such as peppermint can help the drinker to resist viruses. Along with this anti-viral property, herbal tea benefits include antitumor properties, and even antiallergenic properties (2).

#### 3. Herbal teas help to prevent blood clots

A scientific study has found that drinking herbal tea can help to reduce blood clots (2). They do this by reducing the clumping activity of platelets, the cells in the blood which cause clots.

#### 4. Herbal teas help to reduce high cholesterol levels

Oolong tea is now thought to be one of the best herbal teas because studies have shown that drinkers of this tea have lower levels of cholesterol (3).

#### 5. Herbal teas help to prevent weight gain

Researchers have found that animals who consumed pu-erh herbal tea put on less weight over a given period of time than those that did not consume



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the tea (1). This goes some way to support the claims of ancient Eastern medicine that one of the benefits of herbal tea is that it aids in weight loss (4).



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As you can see, if you are considering incorporating herbal tea into your diet, there are lots of benefits to doing so!

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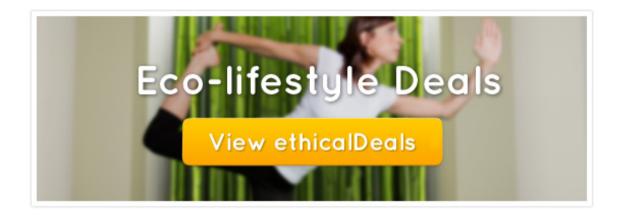
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