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Bunnery: Cereals Galore

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It used to be that walking down the cereal aisle was pretty easy for adults. Kids faced a bewildering assortment of breakfast foods, each competing for attention with kooky names and characters. But cereals for older folks were largely simple, and one of the most basic was granola. There might have been a couple of types- with or without nuts- but now any supermarket visitor can see that humble granola has also morphed into an enormous segment, with plenty of specialty producers.

We saw one of them at the Fancy Food Show, and have been treating staff to their goods over the past month. Bunnery Natural Foods offers an Original Granola, sure, but we've also been sampling their other flavors, like Cranberry-Nut Vanilla Granola. In total, this Jackson Hole-based company produces six items, and they give a fun recap of the history of granola (or granula) on their blog.



Our favorite from the bunch was the Blueberry Granola, and like the others, we appreciate the use of brown rice syrup as a sweetener. And there were plenty of real blueberries in the cereal, which was nicely balanced and not too sweet. We prefer a bit more of a crunch to ours, with larger oat clusters, but everything we tried tasted healthy and natural. Those with taste sweeter tooth and who like nuttier cereal over berries will enjoy the Banana Honey Nut variety. And they have a couple of products for folks looking beyond granolas, like an oatmeal mix (with sunflower seeds and millet that they call OSM), which was a slightly chewier, nuttier version of your ready-to-make quick-cook oatmeal. Finally, if you have a little bit more time, they offer a pancake/waffle mix as well.

Availability is a bit tough, we didn't see them on the shelves of local stores. But they do offer free shipping on orders over \$50 from their online shop, and at \$5.75 to \$6.50 a bag, the pricing is definitely reasonable.