Black Bean & Pumpkin Chili

COOK TIME SERVINGS PREP TIME TOTAL TIME 4-6 15 MIN 2 HR (TO 5 HRS) 2 HR 15 MIN

This wonderful take on chili features a subtle pumpkin flavor and plenty of savory spices combined with tender tomatoes and hearty beans.





Ingredients Directions

•Saltine Crackers

•Salt and Pepper to Taste

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1	•Olive Oil •1 Medium Onion •1 Bell Pepper (Red, Yellow or Orange) •2 T Minced Garlic	For Stovetop Cooking: Choose 6 qt stockpot or larger for entire recipe. For Slow Cooker Cooking: Choose a medium skillet to cook the items in this section (#2) on a stovetop and then transfer to slow cooker to add remaining ingredients. ■ Heat a drizzle of oil over medium heat in medium skillet. ■ Dice onion and add to skillet. ■ Dice pepper and add to skillet. Stir and cook until crisp tender. ■ Stir in garlic and cook another 1- 2 minutes.
2	•2 (15 oz) Cans Black Beans 1 (15 oz) Can Diced Tomatoes •1 (15 oz) Can Pure Pumpkin •3 Cups Vegetable Broth	■ Drain & rinse beans and add to pot. ■ Add tomatoes, pumpkin, and broth to pot. Mix well.
3	•1 T Dried Italian Seasoning •1 T Chili Powder •1 tsp Cumin •1 tsp Salt	 ■ Add seasonings and mix well. ■ For Stovetop Cooking: Reduce heat to simmer and cook about 2 hours, stirring occasionally. ■ For Slow Cooker: Cover and cook on high for ½ hours or low for 5 hours. ■ After chili has been cooking for about an hour, taste & adjust spices to your preference. May likely need a little more salt or chili powder.
4	•1 (15 oz) Can Corn	■ When cooking is complete, turn off stove or slow cooker. ■ Drain corn and add to pot. Mix well and let sit about 10 minutes.
	OPTIONAL TO SERVE WITH: •Diced Avocado	■ If desired, dice avocado and add as topper to each bowl. Serve with saltine

crackers and salt & pepper to taste.