

a series of simple recipes using canned foods

Beans



3 Bean Chili

Servings: 6

Ingredients:

- 2 tablespoons chili powder
- 2 cans (14.5 to 16-ounces each) stewed tomatoes
- 1 can (14.5-ounce) black beans, drained and rinsed
- 1 can (14.5-ounce) kidney beans, drained and rinsed
- 1 can (14.5-ounce) pinto beans, drained and rinsed
- 1 cup ketchup, low sodium
- ½ cup water

Directions:

- 1. Combine all ingredients in a large skillet over medium heat.
- 2. Simmer, uncovered, until thickened, about 10 minutes.
- 3. Enjoy! Refrigerate leftovers immediately.

Adapted from Canned Food Alliance, www.mealtime.org

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COOKING TERMS

BOIL: to heat a liquid until bubbles break continually on the surface

SIMMER: to cook slowly in liquid over low heat at a temperature of about 180°F; the surface of the liquid should be barely moving, broken from time to time by slowly rising bubbles



Additional cooking tips

- 4 ounces of shredded cheese is approximately 1 cup.
- Draining and rinsing canned beans can reduce the sodium content by as much as 41%.
- Can use prepared bouillon cubes instead of canned chicken broth.

 If substituting fresh herbs for dried herbs use ½ of what the recipe asks because dry herbs are more potent.
Conversely, if a recipe calls for dried and you would like to use fresh, triple the amount called for in the recipe.

Quick Quesadilla Pockets

Servings: 6

Ingredients:

- Non-stick cooking spray
- 1 can (15.5-ounce) pinto beans, drained and rinsed
- 1 can (15-ounce) corn, drained
- ¾ cup salsa
- 1 ½ cups shredded, reduced-fat cheddar or Mexican blend cheese
- 6 whole wheat 8-inch tortillas

Directions:

- 1. Preheat the oven to 400°F. Lightly coat a large baking sheet with cooking spray and set aside.
- 2. Mix beans, corn and salsa in a pot over medium-heat until heated through, stirring occasionally. Reduce heat to low. Add cheese and stir until cheese melts, about 1 minute.
- 3. Spoon 2-3 tablespoons of the bean and cheese mixture evenly over half of each tortilla. Fold over and press down gently. Place each on the baking sheet.
- 4. Bake until cheese melts and tortillas become crisp at the edges, approximately 8 minutes. Cut into quarters and serve.
- 5. Enjoy! Refrigerate leftovers immediately.

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Succotash

Servings: 8

Ingredients:

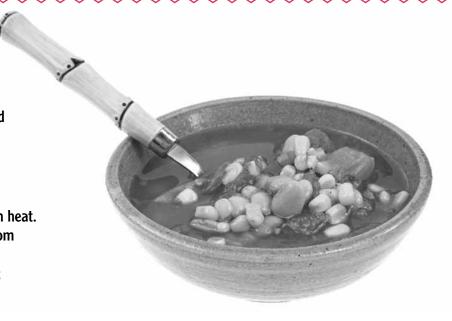
- 1 can (15.25-ounce) diced tomatoes
- 2 cans (15.25-ounce) lima beans, drained
- 1 can (15.25-ounce) corn, drained
- 1 tablespoon butter or margarine

Directions:

- 1. Place butter in a skillet over medium-high heat.
- 2. Add all ingredients including the liquid from tomatoes.
- 3. Cook until vegetables are heated through; approximately 10 minutes.
- 4. Enjoy! Refrigerate leftovers immediately.

Adapted from the USDA, recipefinder.nal.usda.gov





Vegetable Stew

Servings: 4

Ingredients:

- 1 quart canned, low-sodium chicken broth*
- 1 cup 100% vegetable juice
- 1 cup canned, diced tomatoes (no-salt added)
- 1 cup canned navy beans or chickpeas, drained and rinsed
- 1 can (24-ounce) mixed vegetables, drained
- 1 teaspoon dried oregano
- * Can substitute prepared bouillon cube and water instead of canned chicken broth.

Directions:

- 1. Mix broth, vegetable juice and oregano in a large saucepan over medium-high heat. Bring to a boil.
- 2. Add tomatoes, navy beans and mixed vegetables; simmer 4 to 5 minutes.
- 3. Serve warm and refrigerate leftovers.

Zesty Bean and Pasta Salad

Servings: 6

Ingredients:

- 1 box (13.5-ounce) whole wheat pasta
- 1 can (15.5-ounce) great northern beans, drained*
- 1 (8-ounce) bottle low-fat ranch dressing
- 1 can black olives, drained (2.5-ounce)
- 2 teaspoons Italian seasoning
- 1 cup low or reduced-fat shredded cheese*

*Any type of can beans or shredded cheese could be used for this recipe.

Directions:

- 1. Wash hands and all cooking surfaces.
- 2. Cook pasta according to package directions and drain. Cool.
- 3. Mix pasta, beans, olives, bacon, cheese and dressing.
- 4. Keep refrigerated until serving.



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MEASUREMENT EQUIVALENTS:

3 teaspoons = 1 tablespoon

4 tablespoons = $\frac{1}{4}$ cup

5 $\frac{1}{8}$ tablespoons = $\frac{1}{3}$ cup

16 tablespoons = 1 cup

2 cups = 1 pint

4 cups (2 pints) = 1 quart

4 quarts (liquid) = 1 gallon

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