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## **Baked Oatmeal**

#### SERVINGS: 8-10 PREP TIME: 10 min COOK TIME: 40 min TOTAL TIME: 50 min

#### INGREDIENTS

3 cups (750 mL) rolled oats 1 cup (250 mL) brown sugar 2 tsp (10 mL) ground cinnamon 2 tsp (10 mL) baking powder 1 tsp (5 mL) salt 1 cup (250 mL) milk

#### 2 eggs

1/2 cup (125 mL) butter, melted 2 tsp (10 mL) vanilla extract 1/4 cup (60 mL) dried cranberries Cream (optional)

Preheat oven to 350°F (175°C).

In a large bowl, mix together oats, brown sugar, cinnamon, baking powder, and salt. In a separate bowl whisk eggs, milk, melted butter, and vanilla extract. Combine milk mixture with oat mixture. Stir in dried cranberries. Spread into a greased 9 x 13-inch baking dish. Bake for 40 minutes.

Serve warm. Add a couple tablespoons of cream!

**TIP:** Instead of dried cranberries, substitute your favorite dried fruit. For a thicker, chewier oatmeal use a 9 x 9-inch baking dish instead of a 9 x 13-inch baking dish.





## **Turkey Minestrone Soup**

#### SERVINGS: 6-8 PREP TIME: 10 min COOK TIME: 45 min TOTAL TIME: 55 min INGREDIENTS

- 1 lb (450 g) boneless, skinless turkey thigh, diced 2 Tbsp (30 mL) olive oil 1/2 cup (125 mL) white onion, diced 1 cup (250 mL) carrots, diced 1/2 cup (125 mL) celery, diced 6 cups (1.5 L) homemade or low-sodium turkey or chicken stock
- 1 can (26 oz/796 mL) tomatoes, chopped
- 1/2 cup (125 mL) macaroni noodles
- 1 Tbsp (15 mL) fresh parsley, chopped
- 1 tsp (5 mL) fresh oregano, chopped
- 1 can (18 oz/540 mL) white kidney beans, drained and rinsed to taste, sea salt and freshly
- ground black pepper 1/4 cup (60 mL) fresh Parmesan
  - cheese

Sauté turkey, onions, carrots and celery in olive oil until onions are soft. Add stock and tomatoes and bring to a simmer. Add noodles and simmer until carrots are soft and noodles are cooked. Add parsley, oregano and kidney beans. Season with salt and pepper to taste and serve with fresh Parmesan cheese.

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## **Lentil & Tomato Stew**

#### SERVINGS: 4-6 PREP TIME: 15 min COOK TIME: 45 min TOTAL TIME: 60 min INGREDIENTS

- 2 cups (500 mL) green lentils
- 1 can (796 mL) diced tomatoes (good quality)
- 1 Tbsp (15 mL) tomato paste
- 4 cloves garlic, chopped
- 1 white onion, chopped

1 Tbsp (15 mL) fresh thyme 2 Tbsp (30 mL) chopped parsley 6 cups (1.5 L) chicken stock canola oil, as necessary salt & pepper to taste

In a heavy bottom pot, sweat the onions and garlic until soft and translucent and season with salt. Add the thyme and tomato paste and cook an additional 2-3 minutes. Add fresh tomatoes and cook again for an additional 2-3 minutes. Cover with half of the chicken stock and simmer on low heat for 20 minutes to develop flavour. Add the remaining chicken stock and the 2 cups of lentils. Simmer until lentils are tender. Once lentils are cooked the stew may be served immediately or cooked further to attain desired consistency. Be sure to taste and do final seasoning with salt and pepper.

**TIP:** add the parsley right before serving for that burst of freshness. This dish can be used as a side dish for meats and poultry, or omit the chicken stock for a protein packed vegetarian dish.

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## Weeknight Tacos

#### SERVINGS: 4 PREP TIME: 15 min COOK TIME: 15 min TOTAL TIME: 30 min

#### INGREDIENTS

#### TACO SPICE MIX

3 Tbsp (45 mL) chili powder 2 Tbsp (30 mL) cumin 1 tsp (5 mL) garlic powder 1 tsp (5 mL) onion powder 3/4 tsp (4 mL) paprika 3/4 tsp (4 mL) oregano 1/2 tsp (2.5 mL) cayenne 1/2 tsp (2.5 mL) salt

#### TACOS

- 1/2 tsp (2.5 mL) ground pepper 2/3 cup (160 mL) water 1 lb (500 g) ground beef 2 5 Then (28 mL) griese minture
- 2.5 Tbsp (38 mL) spice mixture
- 4 hard or soft taco shells
- 2 cups (500 mL) grated cheddar or marble cheese
- Chopped tomatoes, shredded lettuce, green onions, green peppers, cucumbers as needed

Combine spices in bowl and set aside. Place ground beef in non-stick pan over medium heat. Brown until no pink remains – about 10 minutes. Drain the meat and wipe out pan if there is an excess of fat. Return the meat to the pan and add

your seasoning along with the water. Cook until the mixture thickens, about 5 minutes more. Assemble tacos with shells, cheese, veggies as desired. Serve with salsa on the side, if you like.



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# **Savoury Sloppy Joes**

### SERVINGS: 4-6 PREP TIME: 15 min COOK TIME: 20 min TOTAL TIME: 35 min

#### INGREDIENTS

1 tsp (5 mL) canola oil
1 ¼ lb (0.625 kg) lean ground pork
1 cup (250 mL) chopped
yellow onion
2 ribs celery, chopped
1 clove garlic, minced
1-24 oz (680 mL) can thick
pasta sauce
2 Tbsp (30 mL) honey

- 2 tsp (10 mL) red wine vinegar
- 1 tsp (5 mL) Worcestershire sauce
- 1 tsp + <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> tsp (7 mL) dried oregano leaves
- 1 large green bell pepper, seeded and chopped
- Salt and ground black pepper to taste
- 4-6 crusty buns, sliced

In large sauté pan, heat oil over medium-high heat. Sauté ground pork until thoroughly cooked and no pink remains, breaking up larger pieces with spatula, about 10 minutes. Add onion, celery and garlic to skillet. Cook 2-3 minutes more, stirring often. Stir in pasta sauce, honey, vinegar, Worcestershire sauce and oregano. Add bell pepper; stir to combine while bringing mixture to a gentle boil. Reduce heat to low; cover and simmer until vegetables are tender, about 10 minutes. Season with salt and pepper according to taste. Serve over sliced crusty buns.

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# **Chicken Chili with Corn**

## SERVINGS: 4-6 PREP TIME: 15 min COOK TIME: 40 min TOTAL TIME: 55 min

INGREDIENTS

2 tsp (10 mL) canola oil 1 onion, chopped 2 cloves garlic, minced 1 lb (454 g) ground chicken 1 red pepper, chopped 2 stalks celery, sliced 2 Tbsp (30 mL) chili powder 1 tsp (5 mL) ground cumin 1/2 tsp (2.5 mL) salt 1/2 tsp (2.5 mL) dried oregano

- 1/4 tsp (1.25 mL) each hot pepper flakes and black pepper
- 1 can 27 oz (796 mL) crushed tomatoes
- 1 can 20 oz (570 mL) black beans, rinsed and drained
- 2 cups (500 mL) kernel corn (fresh, frozen or canned)
- 1/4 cup (60 mL) chopped fresh parsley (optional)

In a large skillet heat oil over medium heat, cook onion and garlic until onion is soft. Add chicken and stir cook, breaking up the lumps, until the chicken is no longer pink. Stir in red pepper, celery, spices, tomatoes, and black beans. Bring to a boil; reduce heat, cover, and simmer for 20 minutes. Stir in corn and simmer, uncovered, for 10 minutes. Stir in parsley. Serve with salad. and crusty bread or corn bread.

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## **Judy's Chocolate Chip Cookies**

## SERVINGS: 32-36 cookies PREP TIME: 15 min COOK TIME: 10-12 min TOTAL TIME: 60 min

#### INGREDIENTS

3/4 cup (175 mL) canola oil 1 egg 1/4 cup (60 mL) white sugar 1/2 cup (125 mL) brown sugar 2 tsp (10 mL) vanilla 3/4 cup (175 mL) whole wheat flour 3/4 cup (175 mL) all-purpose flour 1/4 tsp (1 mL) salt
1 tsp (5 mL) baking powder
1/2 tsp (2 mL) baking soda
1 cup (250 mL) rolled oats
1 1/4 cups (310 mL) semi-sweet chocolate chips

Preheat oven to 350°F/180°C. In large bowl, whisk together canola oil, egg, white sugar, brown sugar and vanilla until well combined. In second bowl, combine flours, salt, baking powder and baking soda. Add dry ingredients to wet mixture. Add oats and chocolate chips. Using large spoon, mix all ingredients together. Using a levelled 1 Tbsp measure, portion out cookies on parchment-lined cookie sheets about 2 inches apart. Flatten slightly with a fork. Bake for 10 to 12 minutes or until cookies are golden brown. Cool cookies about 5 minutes on baking sheets. Transfer to wire racks to cool completely.

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