

(Makes 20 portions)

Ingredients

- 1.5 kg coarsely ground minced or finely diced Beef
- 2 large Spanish onions, finely chopped
- 2 sticks Celery, finely chopped
- 2 whole Star anise
- 2 Bay leaves
- 1 tsp dried Oregano
- 6 fat cloves of Garlic, peeled
- 120gm red Chillies, deseeded and finely

chopped

70gm Tomato puree 300ml bottle light Beer

2 x 400g tin chopped tomatoes

300ml Beef stock

600g cooked drained Black beans

30gm Ground coriander

30gm Ground cumin

Fresh Coriander

15gm salt

30ml vegetable oil, reserving 1 tbsp

1 tbsp Chipotle paste



Method

Heat oil in a heavy based saucepan, fry onions, garlic, celery and star anise for 5 mins add cumin, oregano, bay leaves and cook until onions are soft and start to sweeten. Add the tomato paste and fry for 3 mins. Heat the oven to 18oc.Put the minced/diced beef on a baking tray, breaking up the meat and drizzling with 1 tablespoon of vegetable oil, season with sea salt and black pepper place put baking tray in the oven for 20 minutes until the beef is cooked through. Take the beef out of the oven and add to the pan with the onions and tomato paste.Add beer, reduce by 2/3, then add the tinned chopped tomato and beef stock. Simmer gently for 1.5 to 2 hours. After 1 hour add black beans and chipotle paste, season to taste, finish with freshly chopped coriander. Freeze in batches.

EXTRA?

Reheat and serve with Mexican rice, soft tortillas or in enchiladas. It's also great in baked potatoes ...with grated cheddar, sour cream and jalapeños on the side.