Just Green Lentil Soup



There is something very appealing about a good hearty lentil soup in the colder months. It has for a long time now been one of our favourite legumes and especially in winter for making warming soups & casseroles. We named this soup 'just' green lentil soup because that's exactly what it is. A super simple lentil soup recipe, that is warming and delicious with a little added spice.

Serving Size: 4-6

Ingredients:

1 cup green lentils

5 tablespoons olive oil

3 red onions finely chopped

2 garlic cloves finely sliced

½ teaspoon dried chilli flakes

2 teaspoons ground cumin seeds

1/4 teaspoon ground turmeric

2 ½ cups vegetable stock

2 ½ cups water

½ cup fresh coriander roughly chopped

Salt and Pepper to taste

Warm crusty bread to serve

Method:

1. Soak the lentils for 20 minutes in water, rinse thoroughly and then cook on the stove

- in a medium saucepan bringing to the boil and simmering for 10 minutes. Drain and set aside.
- 2. Heat 2 tablespoons of olive oil in a large pan and sauté two of the onions with the garlic, cumin and turmeric for 3-5 minutes or stirring until golden brown.
- 3. Add the lentils, stock and water and bring to the boil then simmer gently for $\frac{1}{2}$ hour until lentils are soft.
- 4. Heat the remaining oil and sauté the third onion until golden brown, stirring frequently.
- 5. Mash the lentils slightly to make a pulpy texture for the soup and add salt and pepper here as needed.
- 6. Pour the soup into bowls, stir in some fresh coriander and garnish with the sautéed onion and fresh chilli (pictured above).
- 7. Serve hot on its own or with some warm crusty bread.

Inspiration:

Make double the batch and freeze portions for warm lunches throughout winter.

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