JUST PLAIN CHILI

If you don't have a grill feel free to cook the beef in another pan. You shouldn't need to add any oil to cook the meat in. Make sure you drain any excess fat before transferring meat to the skillet (or not if you want the extra fat).

Makes 8 servings.

Approximate cooking time: 3 hours

Ingredients

2 pounds lean ground beef

1 green bell pepper, diced

6 cloves garlic, minced

2 Tbs olive or coconut oil

1/4 tsp freshly ground black pepper

3 Tbs cumin, or to taste

1-1/2 Tbs chili powder, or to taste

1 (28 oz) can diced tomatoes

Instructions

- 1. Light coals in grill. While coals are setting (30-45 minutes), form ground beef into large patties.
- 2. Heat oil in a heavy bottomed soup pot, and add freshly ground black pepper.
- 3. Add bell pepper and saute 5-7 minutes. Turn heat off and stir in minced garlic.
- 4. Grill patties over coals until medium rare, no more than 5 minutes on each side.
- 5. Turn heat on high under soup pot, and place patties in with garlic, oil, and pepper mixture.
- $6. \ \ Break\ up\ patties\ into\ small\ pieces\ with\ spatula\ and\ brown\ meat\ thoroughly.\ Add\ tomatoes.$
- 7. Mash and break up tomatoes with spatula.
- 8. Add enough water to cover all ingredients, reduce heat to low, and let simmer 2 hours or more.

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