# **Quick Pumpkin Chili**

- Pumpkin is a great source of beta-carotene, vitamins A and C and fiber.
- Beta-carotene is an antioxidant that gives pumpkin its orange color.
- The plant-based source of protein in this recipe is black beans, but adding ground turkey, lean ground beef or even shredded chicken breast would make the carnivore in your life happy.
- Jazz up this simple chili by adding 2 cups chopped kale or spinach at the same time as the tomatoes, and 1- 6oz. can tomato paste at the same time as the pumpkin. (will need 2 cups extra water or substitute water with 4 cups low salt Vegetable Broth, simmer for 15 more minutes).
- For a spicy flavor, use a full teaspoon of black pepper or chop 1 jalapeno and sauté with the onions.

## **Nutrition Facts**

4 servings per container Serving size

1.5 cup

Amount per serving

Calories	230
%	Daily Value*
Total Fat 4.5g	6%
Saturated Fat 0g	0%
Trans Fat 0g	
Cholesterol 0mg	0%
Sodium 240mg	10%
Total Carbohydrate 40g	15%
Dietary Fiber 3g	11%
Total Sugars 11g	
Includes 0g Added Sugar	rs 0%
Protein 10g	
Vitamin D 0mcg	0%
Calcium 70mg	6%
Iron 2mg	10%
Potassium 405mg	8%

\*The % Daily Value tells you how much a nutrient in a serving of food contributes to a daily diet. 2,000 calories a day is used for general nutrition advice.

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Servings: 4 Prep Time: < 30 minutes



## **Ingredients:**

- 1 Tablespoon vegetable, canola or Olive oil
- 1 small onion, diced
- 3 cloves of garlic, chopped or 1 teaspoon of garlic powder
- 2 cups water
- 1 can (15oz.) diced tomatoes, canned in juice (do not drain)
- 1 Tablespoon chili powder
- 1 Tablespoon ground cumin
- ½-1 teaspoon black pepper
- 1 can (15oz.) black beans, no salt added, drained
- 1 can (15oz.) pumpkin puree

## **Directions:**

- 1. **Heat** oil In a large skillet over medium-high heat. When hot, add the diced onion and garlic and **sauté** until onion is soft, about 5 minutes.
- 2. Add water, tomatoes (with juice), chili powder, cumin and black pepper (use 1 tsp. for spicy). Cover and bring to a boil over medium-high heat.
- 3. Add pumpkin puree and black beans. Stir very well to be sure that the pumpkin blends into the chili
- 4. Place lid on the pot and let heat for about 5 minutes.
- 5. Serve hot and **top** with a dollop of plain low-fat Greek yogurt, chopped chives and avocado (all optional).

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