

Country Lentil Soup

Prep: 20 minutes | Cook: 40 minutes | Total: 60 minutes

Yield: 4 servings | Serving Size: 2 cups

Ingredients

- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 1 medium onion, chopped (about 1 cup)
- 4 celery stalks, chopped (about 1 cup)
- 2 medium carrots, chopped (about 1 cup)
- 2-4 cloves garlic, minced (about 2 teaspoons)
- ½ teaspoon dried oregano
- ½ teaspoon dried thyme
- ½ teaspoon ground black pepper
- 4 cups (32 ounces) low-sodium vegetable broth
- 1 cup water
- 1 cup uncooked brown lentils, picked through to remove any stones and rinsed
- 1 (14.5-ounce) can no-salt-added crushed tomatoes
- 4 tablespoons (¼ cup) chopped fresh parsley, divided

Directions

- 1. Warm a large saucepan or pot over medium-high heat.
- 2. Add the oil and heat until shimmering.
- 3. Add the onion, celery, carrots, and garlic. Cook until softened, about 5-8 minutes.
- 4. Add the oregano, thyme, and black pepper. Sauté until fragrant, about 1 minute.
- 5. Add the broth, water, lentils, and tomatoes with their juice.
- 6. Bring to a boil over high heat, then reduce the heat to maintain a simmer.
- 7. Cover the pot with a lid and cook until the lentils are tender, about 20-30 minutes.
- 8. Divide the soup between four serving bowls and top each with 1 tablespoon of the parsley.
- 9. Serve warm.

Nutrition Facts Per Serving: Calories: 120 | Total Fat: 3.5 g | Saturated Fat: 0.5 g Sodium: 185 mg | Total Carbohydrate: 17 g | Dietary Fiber: 4 g | Protein: 4 g

