

JERNEJ KITCHEN

CHILI CON CARNE

Chili con Carne is a wonderful family one-pot meal filled with spices, ground beef, corn, beans, and tomato paste. Great for meal prep too.

SERVES 6 PEOPLE
PREPARATION: 10 MINUTES
COOKING: 140 MINUTES
TOTAL TIME: 150 MINUTES

SPICE MIX

1 tsp ground black pepper

1 tsp ground coriander seeds

1 tsp ground cloves

1/2 tsp ground allspice

1/2 tsp Chipotle chili

1/2 tsp ground cinnamon

1/2 tsp ground coffee

CHILI CON CARNE

3 onions

3 cloves of garlic

2 large carrots

5 tbsp olive oil (divided)

1 kg (2 pounds) ground beef chuck

240 ml (1 cup) red wine

1 tsp tomato paste

500 g (2 1/4 cups) tomato passata

600 g (2 1/3 cup) beef stock or water

200 g (1 1/4 cup) corn, canned and drained

800 g (4 cups) red beans, canned

SPICE MIX (OPTIONAL)

First, prepare the spice mix if you're using whole spices. Blend all herbs and spices in a spice (or coffee) grinder or use a pestle and mortar. Set aside until needed. Skip this step if you're using ground spices.

PAN-FRY THE MEAT

Place a cast-iron pot over high heat. Add three tablespoons of olive oil and the meat. Pan-fry the ground beef for 5 minutes, stirring occasionally. Add the red wine and cook for additional 2 minutes for the alcohol to evaporate. Scrape the bottom of the pot to get all those juices. Transfer the meat to a plate.

TIP

Feel free to use a pressure cooker, slow cooker, or Instant Pot for this recipe too.

VEGETABLES AND SPICES

Peel the onion, garlic, and carrots, then dice finely. Clean the pot with a paper towel and place it back over medium-high heat. Add two tablespoons of olive oil and chopped vegetables. Cook for 5 minutes, stirring occasionally. Add the spices and tomato paste and cook for 2 minutes.

COOK

Transfer the meat back to the pot, add tomato passata and beef broth of water. Stir, cover with a lid and cook over low heat for 2 hours. When the chili cooks, add the corn, beans, and dark chocolate and stir well to combine.

TIP

If you're using a pressure cooker or Instant Pot, cook under full

and drained

1 tbsp dark chocolate (70% cacao)

TOOLS AND EQUIPEMENT

spice (coffee) grinder (optional) cast-iron pot paper kitchen towel wooden spoon bowl pressure for 45 minutes.

SERVE

Divide the chili con carne between six plates. Optionally sprinkle with jalapenos, diced onion, and cilantro. Serve with tortillas or rice.