

# **CREATE YOUR OWN CHILI**

Yield: 4 Servings | Serving Size: 2 cups

Cost/Serving: \$1.96

## **Ingredients:**

1-pound lean ground beef (15% fat or lower)

1 cup chopped onions

2 cloves garlic, diced or crushed

2 cups cooked kidney beans (or canned, rinsed well and drained)

2 (15-ounce) cans unsalted diced tomatoes

2-3 Tablespoons chili powder

1/2 teaspoon cumin

Salt, to taste (up to 1/2 teaspoon)

Toppings, as desired

#### **Directions:**

- 1) In a pot or large saucepan, brown beef over mediumhigh heat, breaking it into bite-sized pieces. Drain fat.
- 2) Add onions and garlic and cook until softened.
- 3) Add kidney beans, tomatoes, chili powder, cumin, and salt. Cook 30-60 minutes. Add water as chili cooks if you would like a thinner consistency.
- 4) Serve hot, with your favorite chili toppings.

### **Options:**

**Meat:** Use lean ground beef, elk, or venison, or try a vegetarian version with no meat. Or use 1 package of Basic Meat Mix and start with step #2 or #3. Leave out the onions and garlic if the Basic Meat Mix already contains these.

# **Nutrition Facts**

4 servings per container

Serving size 2 cups (460g)

Amount per serving

Potassium 1252mg

440

25%

Calones	TTV
	% Daily Value*
Total Fat 18g	23%
Saturated Fat 7g	35%
Trans Fat 1g	
Cholesterol 75mg	25%
Sodium 510mg	22%
Total Carbohydrate 37g	13%
Dietary Fiber 11g	39%
Total Sugars 8g	
Includes 0g Added Sug	gars 0%
Protein 32g	
Vitamin D 0mcg	0%
Calcium 143mg	10%
Iron 5mg	30%

<sup>\*</sup>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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Beans: Use any combination of kidney beans, pinto beans, black beans, lentils, etc.

**Vegetables:** Add 1 cup of vegetables, like frozen corn, chopped zucchini, chopped bell peppers, etc. Add a 15 ounce can of unsalted tomato sauce if you like chili saucier.

**Seasonings:** If you have made homemade Chili Seasoning Mix, substitute this for the chili powder, cumin, and salt. If the seasoning mix contains salt, leave out additional salt. Red pepper flakes are also an option.

**Toppings:** Common chili toppings are shredded cheese, low fat sour cream, tortilla chips, and hot sauce.

**Timing:** The amount of time chili cooks on the stove is variable in recipes. Some people cook theirs for only ten minutes, while others cook for up to 90 minutes.

**Leftovers:** Chili is often spicier the next day, after flavors have had time to meld.

**Microwave Cooking:** If you are using cooked meat, you can make a quick chili by mixing meat, tomatoes, beans, and spices and cooking in the microwave for 10 minutes.

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