Oven-Baked Black Bean Enchiladas

Ingredients

Time: 40 minutes; Servings: 4

Enchilada Filling

- 1 tablespoon extra-virgin olive oil
- 2 cloves of garlic, minced
- 1 large green bell pepper, diced
- 1 small onion, diced
- 1 (150z) can black beans, drained and rinsed
- 1 cup of corn (frozen or canned [rinsed and drained])
- 1 teaspoon salt
- ½ teaspoon ground cumin
- ¼ teaspoon dried oregano

Other Ingredients

- 1 cups shredded Mexican-blend cheese
- 8 flour or corn* tortillas (8-inch)
- 2 cups of enchilada sauce (1 (150z) can of enchilada sauce, or see homemade recipe below)

Nutrition Tip: You can serve as a main dish with rice and beans, or add veggies on the side.



Directions

- 1. Preheat oven to 350F.
- 2. Heat extra virgin olive oil in a large pan over medium-high heat. Add garlic and cook for 30 seconds. Then add the onions and bell peppers, and cook for 5 minutes, stirring occasionally, until softened and translucent.
- 3. Add black beans, corn, salt, cumin and oregano. Mix thoroughly and cook for 3 minutes.
- 4. Add ½ cup enchilada sauce and evenly coat the black bean mixture. Taste and add more salt if necessary. Turn off heat and set aside.
- 5. Pour $\frac{1}{4}$ cup of enchilada sauce into a 9x13 inch baking dish. Coat the bottom of the dish with sauce.
- 6. Assemble the enchiladas: Scoop a heaping ¼ cup of mixture into the middle of tortilla, sprinkle with cheese and roll the tortillas into a cylinder, folding the ends in as you go. Place the rolled tortillas in the baking dish, seam-side down.
- 7. Pour remaining 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ cups enchilada sauce over the tortillas, top with remaining $\frac{1}{2}$ cup shredded cheese, and bake for 15 minutes, until cheese is melted.

Enjoy with optional toppings as you prefer (sour cream, lime, cilantro).

*Traditionally, enchiladas are made with corn tortillas. If you choose corn, they require heating on the pan with oil to become flexible prior to filling/rolling, otherwise they might break. Look here for more instructions.

Black bean enchiladas recipe was adapted from https://www.isabeleats.com/black-bean-enchiladas/





Red Enchilada Sauce

Makes about 2 cups of sauce Vegetarian, vegan. Common allergies: none

Ingredients

- 2 tablespoons of extra virgin olive oil
- 2 tablespoons of all-purpose flour
- ¼ cup chili powder
- ¼ teaspoons ground cumin
- ½ teaspoon garlic powder
- 1 teaspoon onion powder
- 1 (150z) can tomato sauce
- 2 cups (16oz) water
- ½ tsp salt

Directions

- 1. In a small pot, heat olive oil over low-medium heat.
- 2. Add flour slowly while mixing continuously for 1 minute. If you don't keep your eye on it, it may start to burn!
- 3. Add chili powder, ground cumin, garlic powder, and onion powder and mix thoroughly.
- 4. Slowly add in tomato sauce and water, mixing thoroughly until completely smooth.
- 5. Bring to a simmer, remove from heat. Add salt to taste and ready for use.

Can be stored in an airtight jar in the fridge for up to 1 week, or stored in the freezer for up to 3 months.

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