

INGREDIENTS:

1 Tbsp oil
1 c onion, diced
1 c celery, diced
1 c carrot, diced
1 c to butternut squash, diced
2 garlic cloves, minced
1 tsp sea salt
(+ more to taste)
1 tsp black pepper
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2 tsp turmeric
2 tsp ground cumin

2 tsp ground ginger
2 tsp smoked paprika
1 tsp ground cinnamon
4 c vegetable broth
2 c water
½ c crushed tomato
2 c Quick-Cook Lentil
1 Tbsp lemon juice
2 - 3 c spinach
coconut yogurt
(optional)
sour cream(optional)
cilantro (optional)

DIRECTIONS:

- Heat the oil in a large stockpot or Dutch oven. Add diced onions, celery, carrot, butternut squash, and minced garlic and sauté for about 5 minutes until everything softens slightly. Season with salt, pepper, and spices and cook for about 2 minutes.
- 2. Add the **broth**, **water**, and **crushed tomato**. Stir to combine and until the tomato has broken down. Bring the soup to a boil, cover, and reduce to simmer for 10 minutes or until squash is fork-tender.
- 3. Remove from heat and stir in **Quick-Cook Lentils**, **lemon juice**, **spinach**, and stir until the spinach has wilted. Serve immediately and top with your desired toppings.
- 4. For garnishes, I like to do a dollop of **coconut yogurt** or **sour cream** and **cilantro**.