



## Spicy red lentil and pumpkin soup

**Difficulty:** Easy **Type**: Lunch/dinner

Allergy advice: Fructose, Lactose

**Serves: 30 tastes or 6 at home** From the garden: Pumpkin, potatoes,

garlic and onions

## **Equipment**

Measuring scales

Measuring cups and spoons

Chopping boards and mats

Cooks knives

Large pot with lid

Wooden spoon

Ladle

Stick blender

Bowls for serving

Small bowls or ramekins (for yoghurt)

## **Ingredients**

- 1 Tbsp. olive oil
- 1 ½ cups red lentils that have been soaked.
- 2 brown onions, finely chopped
- 4 cloves garlic, peeled and crushed
- 2 kg pumpkin peeled and cut up into 1cm cubes
- 2 large potatoes, peeled and cut into 1cm cubes
- 2 tsp ground cumin
- 2 tsp ground coriander
- ½ tsp ground turmeric
- 2 chillies, seeds removed and finely
- chopped (use gloves)
- 2L vegetable stock
- 1 handful of fresh coriander, roughly
- chopped to serve.
- 1 cup of natural yoghurt (to serve with the

soup at the table)

Salt and pepper to taste

## What to do:

1. Rinse the lentils that have already been soaked for your soup, then measure out enough lentils for the next class and place into a bowl or jug and cover with cold water to soak.

- 2. Wash, peel and chop the potatoes and pumpkin into small 1cm cubes.
- 3. Peel and finely chop onions and garlic.
- 4. Using gloves, de-seed and finely chop the chillies.
- 5. Heat oil in a large pot over medium to high heat. Add the onion and garlic and cook for 2 or 3 minutes until onion has softened. Then add the cumin, coriander, turmeric and chillies and cook for another 30 seconds until aromatic, then add the lentils. Sir through and cook for 1-2 minutes.
- 6. Now add the potatoes and pumpkin to the pan and stir to coat the vegetables with all of the spices.
- 7. Pour in the stock and bring to the boil, reduce heat to medium to low and simmer for 10 to 12 minutes until the potatoes and pumpkin are tender.
- 8. When soup is cooked, set aside to cool slightly, then blend with a stick blender and season with salt and pepper.
- 9. Wash and roughly chop coriander.
- 10. Divide between bowls and garnish with chopped coriander.
- 11. Serve with natural yoghurt on the side.