Lobia Black-eyed peas in Ginger and Tamarind Sauce

Ingredients

1 cup dried black-eyed peas 2 tsp grated ginger root 1/2 tsp chili powder 1/4 tsp tumeric 1-2 green chilis, chopped 1 tbsp tamarind pulp or NF plain yogurt 2/3 cup sliced onion 1/2 tsp cumin seeds 4-5 cloves garlic, chopped 1/4 tsp garam masala 2-3 tbsp cilantro leaves

Instructions

Serves 4. rinse and soak beans for a couple of hours in at least 3 1/2 cups of water in a medium saucepan. Bring beans to a boil over medium heat, add half the ginger, the chili powder, and the tumeric. Reduce heat, cover the pan and cook slowly for 45-50 minutes Add remaining ginger, chilis, tamarind pulp or yogurt, mix it well and let it simmer for another 10-15 minutes. Meanwhile, SLOWLY dryfry onion to gradually carmelize it, as it begins to color add cumin seeds and garlic (add a little H2O to prevent burning if necessary). Remove pan from heat just as garlic darkens. Pour mixture into beans, together with Garam masala, stir and cook another 5 minutes.

Serving

Before serving, stir in cilantro leaves and serve hot.

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