

Smoky bean soup with GEM® avocado crema











You don't get much more warming than a bowl of soup, and this deliciously smoky, slightly spicy number with its creamy GEM® avocado topping, delivers in spades – you can bulk it out further by stirring in some cooked rice if you like. Use hot smoked paprika if you like spice, mild if not.



INGREDIENTS

- 2 tbsp olive oil
- 1/2 red onion, finely chopped
- 1/2 red or green pepper, deseeded and finely chopped
- 1 garlic clove, peeled and crushed
- 1 tsp smoked paprika (see note)
- 1/4 tsp oregano
- 300ml vegetable or chicken stock
- 400g tin of black or borlotti beans, drained and rinsed
- 2 tbsp chopped fresh coriander
- For the crema:
- 1/2 GEM® avocado
- 2 tbsp sour cream
- Generous squeeze of lime juice

METHOD

- 1. Heat the oil in a medium saucepan over a medium-low heat and fry the onion until translucent. Stir in the pepper and cook for about 5 minutes until soft, then stir in the garlic and fry for a couple of minutes more.
- 2. Stir in the paprika and oregano, fry for a minute, then add the stock, stirring to dissolve anything stuck to the bottom of the pan. Drain the beans and add half to the soup. Mash the other half to a rough paste, then stir this into the pan as well. Bring to a simmer and cook while you make the crema.
- 3. Peel and stone the GEM® avocado and whizz or mash with the sour cream and lime juice until smooth. Season to taste and do the same with the soup.
- 4. Divide the soup between two bowls and top with a dollop of GEM® avocado crema. Scatter with coriander and serve.

NUTRITION INFORMATION

Per serving

Calories 1640kJ / 396kcal

Fat 27.4g

Saturates 6.5g

Carbohydrate 16.2g

Sugar 5.6g

Fibre 18g

Protein 14.7g

Salt 0.9g