

Chilli Bean Soup with Rice

This Chilli Bean soup is barely a soup at all! More of a sloppy bowl of chilli with the rice stirred in! It's warming, filling and delicious. Serve with tortilla chips, a dollop of sour cream and some cheese if you like. **serves 4 big bowls**

- 250g beef mince (or quorn, if you fancy a vegetarian version)
- 1 carton Smoky chilli blend, or 1 tbsp each smoked paprika and cumin
- 2 tsp oregano (optional)
- 2 tbsp oil
- 1 onion, chopped
- 1 tin tomatoes, blended
- 2 tbsp tomato puree
- 1 beef stock cube
- 500 ml water
- 1 large tin sweetcorn
- 1 tin beans eg kidney or black beans
- 1 green or red pepper, diced
- 75g long-grain rice
- squeeze of lime and salt to taste
- 1. Heat the oil in a large pan and gently fry the onion until soft. Remove.
- 2. Fry the meat with the spices and oregano until browned.
- 3. Return the onion to the pan, together with the other ingredients (except lime juice and salt).
- 4. Bring to the boil and simmer for about half an hour, until the rice is cooked.
- 5. Add salt to taste and a squeeze of lime, before serving as above.