



# **Simmered Beans**

Add Pico de Gallo for a spicy twist.

#### Makes 12 servings.

½ cup per serving.

Prep time: 10 minutes

Cook time: 1 hour and 15 minutes to

1 hour and 45 minutes

### Ingredients

- 2 cups dried beans (pinto, black, or pink), rinsed
- 8 cups water
- 1 onion, peeled and chopped
- 1 bay leaf
- 1/4 teaspoon salt

### **Preparation**

- Place beans, water, onion, and bay leaf in a large pot. Cover and bring to a boil over high heat. Reduce heat to low. Simmer for 1 to 1½ hours or until beans are tender.
- Remove bay leaf and stir in salt. Cook 15 minutes longer.
- Serve or store beans in refrigerator for up to 3 days in a covered plastic or glass container.

# **Refried Beans**

Top with Tomatillo Salsa for great flavor and color.

#### Makes 4 servings.

½ cup per serving.

Prep time: 10 minutes Cook time: 10 minutes

## Ingredients

- 1 tablespoon vegetable oil
- 2 cloves garlic, finely chopped
- 3 cups Simmered Beans with broth

## **Preparation**

 In a large nonstick pan, heat oil over medium heat. Add garlic and cook
minute.

- 2. Stir in beans with part of the broth. Cook 1 minute.
- Cook and stir, adding additional broth and mashing beans lightly with a fork until bean mixture is a thick paste, but not dry.
- Serve or store beans in refrigerator for up to 3 days in a covered plastic or glass container.