## Lentil Kale Soup with Lemon

## Ingredients

- 3 T Olive Oil
- 1 Onion (diced)
- 1 Carrot (peeled and diced)
- 1 t Garlic (minced)
- 1 T Tomato Paste
- 1 1/2 t Cumin
- 1/4 t Cayenne
- 1/2 t Salt
- 1/4 t Ground Black Pepper
- 4 c Chicken Broth
- 3 c Water
- 1 1/4 c Brown Lentils
- 2 c Kale (chopped)
- 1/4 c Cilantro
- 1 Lemon
- 3 Bay Leaves

## Instructions

- 1. Heat up the olive oil in a soup pot over medium heat. Add the diced onion and carrot. Sauté until the onion softens and starts to turn golden. Add the garlic and sauté for 1-2 minutes longer until fragrant.
- 2.Add the tomato paste, cumin, cayenne, salt and black pepper. Stir and sauté for 2 minutes longer. Add the chicken broth, 1 cup water, lentils and bay leaf. Bring to a simmer then cover the pot, slightly vented. Let the soup cook for

about 30 minutes until the lentils are soft.

- 3.Remove soup from heat, remove the bay leaves and discard. Use an immersion blender to puree the soup halfway, so that it thickens but still has
- texture. Pour 2 cups of water.
- 4.Put soup over medium heat again. Add the kale,

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stir the greens into the soup for 4 minutes until wilted (covering the pot will wilt them faster). Turn off the heat and stir in cilantro and fresh lemon juice to taste. Adjust seasonings if desired, and serve.