Good Vibes New Year Citrus Lentil Stew

Think of this as the soft landing after a loud night. Bright citrus, cozy lentils, gentle spices. It's grounding without being heavy, fresh without trying too hard — the kind of meal that says we're moving forward, but kindly.

Ingredients

1 tablespoon olive oil

1 small yellow onion, diced

3 cloves garlic, minced

1 teaspoon ground cumin

½ teaspoon smoked paprika

½ teaspoon cinnamon

Salt and black pepper, to taste

1 cup dried brown or green lentils, rinsed

1 (14.5 oz) can diced tomatoes

3 cups low-sodium vegetable broth

Zest of 1 orange

Juice of ½ orange

2 cups baby spinach

1 tablespoon olive oil (for finishing)

Fresh parsley or cilantro, chopped (optional)



Instructions

- 1. Heat olive oil in a large pot over medium heat.
- 2. Add diced onion and cook for 4–5 minutes until soft and translucent.
- 3. Stir in garlic, cumin, smoked paprika, and cinnamon. Cook for 30 seconds until fragrant.
- 4. Add lentils, diced tomatoes (with their juices), and vegetable broth. Stir well.
- 5. Bring to a boil, then reduce heat and simmer uncovered for 25–30 minutes, until lentils are tender.
- 6. Stir in orange zest and orange juice, then add spinach and cook just until wilted.
- 7. Taste and adjust seasoning with salt and pepper.
- 8. Finish with a drizzle of olive oil and top with fresh herbs if using. Serve warm.

Servings: 4

Nutrition (per serving, approx.)

calories: 360 protein: 18 carbs: 45 fat: 10 fiber: 16 sugar: 6