Bamya, Okra Stew





| INGREDIENTS | |
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| ☐ 3 tbs oil | ☐ ¼ tsp ground turmeric |
| ☐ 1 tsp salt | ☐ ¼ tsp all spice |
| □ 1¼ lbs stew meat | ½ tsp ground cinnamon |
| $_{\square}$ 1 yellow onion, diced | ☐ ¼ tsp black pepper |
| ☐ 6 cloves garlic, minced | □ 2 cups water |
| 2 tbs tomato paste | 1 tbs pomegranate molasses |
| 3 Roma tomatoes, diced | 🗌 1 bag (14 ounce) baby okra |
| ½ tsp ground coriander | 2 tbs lemon juice |
| ☐ ½ tsp ground cumin | ¼ cup chopped cilantro |
| □ vermicelli rice | |

INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Heat oil in a large pot over medium-high heat.
- 2. Season the stew meat with salt and sear in batches for about 2-3 minutes.
- 3. Remove meat when browned.
- 4. Add oil to a pot and cook the onions for 5-7 minutes or until tender and translucent.
- 5. Mix in garlic and tomato paste and cook for about 30-60 seconds.
- 6. Then add the diced tomatoes and cook for 5 minutes until the tomatoes start to soften.
- 7. Place the meat back into the pot and season with coriander, cumin, turmeric, allspice, ground cinnamon, white pepper, and black pepper.
- 8. Pour one cup of water and add in pomegranate molasses.
- 9. Bring the pot to a boil, then lower the heat to low, cover and cook for 45-60 minutes or until the meat is tender.
- 10. Pour the remaining tablespoon of oil to a skillet over medium high heat.
- 11. Mix in the okra and sauté for 2-3 minutes or until lightly browned on all sides.
- 12. When the meat is cooked, add the okra to the stew and stir to combine. Bring the heat back to medium and let simmer for 10 minutes, uncovered.
- 13. Turn off heat, stir in the lemon juice, cilantro, and serve with vermicelli rice.