



BLACK BEAN BURGERS

PREP TIME: 20 MIN • COOK TIME: 15 MIN • YIELDS: 4 BURGERS

INGREDIENTS Burgers

- ¼ cup cilantro
- 1⁄4 red onion
- 3 garlic cloves
- 1 (15-oz) can black beans, drained
- ¹/₂ cup sliced mushrooms
- ⅓ cup breadcrumbs
- 1 egg
- 1⁄4 tsp salt
- ½ tsp smoked paprika
- ¹⁄₂ tsp onion powder
- ¹⁄₄ tsp garlic powder
- 1⁄4 tsp black pepper
- 1-2 tsp extra virgin olive oil (optional)
- 4 brioche buns or Hawaiian rolls, lightly toasted

DIRECTIONS

Burgers

- **1.** In a food processor, pulse onion, garlic and cilantro a few times.
- **2.** Add drained black beans, mushrooms, breadcrumbs and egg and pulse until mostly blended but with some remaining texture.
- **3.** Add salt, smoked paprika, onion powder, garlic powder and black pepper to black bean mix and pulse to combine.
- 4. Transfer mixture to a bowl and form 4 patties.
- Heat olive oil in a large non-stick skillet over mediumhigh heat and cook patties until golden brown, about 4 minutes, turning once. Once turned, add a slice of cheese.
- **6.** Serve immediately on toasted buns with optional toppings like tomatoes, spinach, cheese and chipotle sauce.

See next page for toppings.

TIPS AND TOOLS:

- Use a food processor, a blender, a patty press and an electric or specialty can opener to make chopping, mixing and prep easier.
- Replace buns with trimmed whole wheat bread slices to help reduce the effect on blood sugar.



INGREDIENTS

Creamy Chipotle Sauce

2 chipotle peppers (canned in adobo sauce)

- ¹/₂ ripe avocado
- 1 Tbsp of sauce from the can of chipotle peppers in adobo sauce (use less if you don't want it as spicy)
- 1/4 tsp salt and black pepper
- ¹/₂ tsp smoked paprika, onion powder and garlic powder
- 1⁄4 cup cilantro
- Juice of 1 lime or 2 Tbsp of lime juice

Guacamole

3 avocados, ripe

1⁄2 small red onion

- 2 Roma tomatoes
- 1 jalapeno pepper (deseeded, deveined)
- 2 garlic cloves
- Juice of 2 limes
- 1/4 cup cilantro
- Salt to taste

Toppings

- Handful of baby spinach leaves
- 1-2 small tomatoes, sliced
- Sliced Gouda cheese (or any cheese of your choice)

DIRECTIONS Creamy Chipotle Sauce

- 1. Combine all sauce ingredients in a blender or processor and blend until smooth.
- 2. Add ½ cup water and/or additional lime juice to thin the sauce and add tartness as desired.

TIPS AND TOOLS:

Replace avocado in chipotle sauce recipe with ½ cup diced tomato to reduce calories.

Guacamole

- **1.** Pulse onion, garlic, jalapeno, cilantro and tomatoes in a food processor until finely chopped.
- Add avocados, lime juice and salt and pulse a few more times until desired consistency is reached (less for a chunkier guacamole and more if you want it smoother).

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