

Roasted White Beans

COURTESY OF MPSG

SERVINGS: 10-12 PREP TIME: 30 min COOK TIME: 45 min TOTAL TIME: 1 hour, 15 min

INGREDIENTS

 $1\,\%$ cup dry white beans (about $2\,\%$ cups cooked white beans), or $1\,19$ oz-can white cannellini beans, drained and rinsed

½ cup canola oil

1 red bell pepper, chopped in small pieces

1 green bell pepper, chopped in small pieces

1 medium onion, very finely chopped

3-4 garlic cloves, minced

6-8 cherry tomatoes, halved

1 tbsp dried oregano

1 tsp tomato paste, diluted with $\mbox{\ensuremath{\%}}$ cup of water

¼ tsp ground black pepper

¼ tsp salt

METHOD

[Soak beans overnight.

Rinse and simmer beans for about 30 minutes until soft but not mushy, drain and set aside.]

Preheat oven to 350 F (180 C).

Chop vegetables and in a large bowl combine the peppers, grated onion, garlic, beans, canola oil, tomato paste-water mixture, oregano, salt and pepper. Mix gently as to not break the beans.

Add the halved cherry tomatoes and mix in gently.

Pour into casserole dish.

Cover with aluminum foil and roast for about 45 min until peppers are soft. (Reduce this time to 30-35 minutes if using canned beans.)

Remove foil and roast for about 10 minutes if you want some browning. Be careful not to leave it uncovered too long, otherwise the beans will dry out.

Remove from oven.

Serve as side dish.