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MADE SIMPLE *Classic Lentil Soup* 

Soupe aux lentilles

📡 8 people.

🍠 20 mins prep time

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## INGREDIENTS

- 1 yellow onion sliced thinly
- 2 chopped garlic cloves
- 1 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> cup (300 g) bacon cut in chunks
- 5 carrots (2.5 cups) cut in round slices (not too thick)
- 3 cups (600 g) dried green lentils
- 150 g (small pack) sliced mushrooms
- 2 liters of chicken stock
- 13 oz (40 cL) canned pure tomato sauce
- 1 branch of chopped celery with leaves.
- Optional if need more taste: 2 tsp of tomato concentrate
- Optional: ½ cup red wine

- 2 bay leaves
- ½ tsp rosemary
- 7 tsp of thyme
- <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> tsp cayenne pepper
- 1 tsp cumin
- 1 tsp curcuma
- salt to taste
- 250 g heavy whipping cream (or coffee cream or whole milk)

## DIRECTIONS

- 1. Sauté the onions and garlic in oil.
- 2. Add all other ingredients, except the cream, and mix.
- Cover and cook on low heat for 45 60 minutes on the stove until the lentils are tender. If using a crock pot: 7-8 hours. If using an Instant Pot: 12 minutes on high.
- 4. Once cooked, add the cream and mix.
- Garnish: top with some cream and thyme and serve warm in bowls with a side salad or a piece of bread and cheese.

Bon Appetit

