



# Pumpkin, No Salt Added, Canned

MyPlate Food Group: Veggie

### **Nutrition Information**

- Based on their nutrient content, vegetables are organized into 5 subgroups: dark-green vegetables, starchy vegetables, red and orange vegetables, beans and peas, and other vegetables.
- Pumpkin is an important source of nutrients including vitamins A and C, B vitamins, fiber, and potassium.
- Pumpkins count toward the red/orange vegetable category in MyPlate along with red peppers, tomatoes, carrots, and sweetpotatoes.

## **Uses & Tips**

- Canned pumpkin can be used to make cookies, breads, muffins, and pies.
- Serve canned pumpkin as a side dish. Get creative and top with raisins, pineapples, or even nuts. Warm in the oven until the pumpkin and toppings are lightly toasted.
- Add canned pumpkin to your pancake and waffle batter or other baked goods for extra flavor and vitamin A.

## **MyPlate Facts**

- Vegetables are naturally low in calories. Eat vegetables in place of foods that may be higher in calories to help lower calorie intake.
- Eating a diet rich in vegetables and fruits as part of an overall healthy diet may reduce the risk of heart disease, including heart attack and stroke
- Adding vegetables can help increase the intake of fiber and potassium, which are important nutrients that many Americans do not get enough of in their diet.

#### **Storing Foods at Home**

- Store unopened cans of pumpkin in a cool, clean, dry place.
- Store remaining opened pumpkin in a tightly covered container that is not made from metal in the refrigerator.





## **Turkey Pumpkin Chili**

#### Makes 10 servings Ingredients:

- 1 teaspoon vegetable oil
- 1 pound ground turkey
- <sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> cup onion, chopped
- ½ cup green pepper, chopped
- 2 cloves garlic, minced or ½ teaspoon garlic powder
- 1 can (15.5 ounces) low-sodium kidney beans, drained and rinsed
- 1 can (15.5 ounces) low-sodium great northern beans, drained and rinsed
- 1 can (15.5 ounces) no salt added pumpkin
- 1 can (15.5 ounces) crushed tomatoes
- 2 cups low-sodium chicken broth
- 2 tablespoons brown sugar
- 1 package (1.25 ounces) taco seasoning mix

Directions: Wash hands with soap and water.

- 1. Pour oil into a 4 quart (or larger) saucepan.
- 2. Add ground turkey, onion, green pepper, and garlic.
- 3. Cook and stir, breaking meat apart until meat is brown and vegetables are tender.
- 4. Stir in the beans, pumpkin, tomatoes, broth, water, brown sugar, and taco seasoning.
- 5. Bring to a boil. Reduce heat, cover, and simmer for 1 hour.

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