## Vermont MapLe Baked Beans

1 pound yellow-eye beans or navy beans Pinch baking soda ½ tsp. salt 1 tsp. dry mustard 1 onion, peeled and chopped ½ cup maple syrup

Soak beans in cold water with a pinch of baking soda overnight. The next day, rinse beans and boil gently in fresh water to cover until just tender, about 1 hour. Drain off bean water and retain. Preheat oven to 325 degrees. Place onion in the bottom of a heavy, oven-proof casserole dish. Add remaining ingredients. Pour in bean water just to cover. Bake, covered, for  $1\frac{1}{2}$  to 3 hours. Check periodically, adding more water as needed. For the last  $\frac{1}{2}$  hour, cook uncovered to brown top.

## Pinto Bean Soup with Salsa

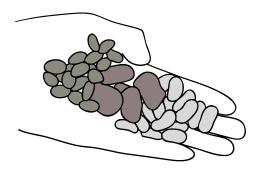
2 ½ cups dried pinto beans
7 cups water
¼ cup olive or vegetable oil
2 yellow onions, diced
1 tsp. salt
½ tsp. black pepper
2 tsp. cumin
4 cloves garlic, finely chopped
2 cups chicken or vegetable broth salt to taste
chunky salsa and sour cream to serve

Soak beans overnight. The next day, rinse beans and bring to a boil with water, cooking until tender, about 1½ hours. Meanwhile, heat oil in a medium pan. Add onions, salt, pepper, and cumin and cook, stirring often, about 10 minutes. Add the garlic and cook for 1-2 minutes more. Spoon mixture into bean pot along with 2 cups broth. Bring to a boil, then reduce heat and simmer, uncovered, 20-30 minutes more. Remove from heat and allow to cool enough to blend in batches. Serve in bowls and top with your favorite salsa and sour cream.

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## **Dried Beans**





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