



# **Garden Sloppy Joes**

Recipe provided by Chris Flood, Bronson nutrition educator. Serves 8.

# Ingredients

- 2 teaspoons olive oil
- 4 carrots, diced
- 1 large green pepper, diced
- 1 large onion, diced
- 1 pound lean ground beef, pork or turkey
- 1 cup already cooked lentils or canned, drained, pinto beans
- 1 (15 oz.) can Sloppy Joe sauce (see notes)
- 8 whole grain hamburger buns

# Directions

- 1. Heat olive oil in a large skillet until hot. Add diced carrots, onion and green pepper. Cook until slightly tender. Remove veggies from the pan.
- Add ground meat to the skillet and cook over medium heat until almost fully cooked (approx. 10-15 minutes).
- 3. In a small bowl, lightly mash the beans or lentils. They should still be chunky.
- 4. Add veggies, mashed beans or lentils, and Sloppy Joe sauce to the cooked meat and simmer until hot and meat is cooked all the way through.
- 5. Serve on whole grain buns.

# Notes

- Nutrition analysis is for one Garden Sloppy Joe made with lean ground turkey, served on a mediumsize whole wheat hamburger bun.
- Be sure to check the sodium on the Sloppy Joe sauce. Brands vary greatly.

#### Nutrition information (per Sloppy Joe)

316 calories, 9g fat, 3g saturated fat, 37g carbohydrates, 18g protein, 8g fiber, 6 mg 72 mg cholesterol, 580mg sodium

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