Creamy Taco Soup

This recipe makes about 7 cups



Ingredients

1 lb ground beef

1 small onion, diced

2 cloves garlic, minced

2 tbsp taco seasoning

1-8 oz package of cream cheese, softened

2 cups beef broth

1- 10 oz can diced tomatoes with green chilies, undrained

1/2 cup whole milk salt & pepper, to taste

Directions:

- 1. In a large pot or Dutch oven over medium heat, add the ground beef, diced onion, and minced garlic. Cook until the beef is browned and the onion is translucent, about 5-7 minutes.
- 2. Drain and rinse any excess fat from the beef
- 3. Stir in the taco seasoning and cook for another minute
- 4. Reduce the heat to medium-low. Add the softened cream cheese to the pot, breaking it up with a spoon. Stir continuously until the cream cheese is fully melted and incorporated.
- 5. Pour in the beef broth, diced tomatoes with green chilies (including the liquid), and whole milk.
- 6. Stir well to combine and bring the soup to a gentle simmer. Let it cook for about 15 minutes, stirring occasionally.
- 7. Add salt and pepper as needed
- 8. Add parchment paper to your trays
- 9. Ladle the soup onto trays
- 10. Add dividers if using for easy portioning. We like the 10-portion setting
- 11. Pre Freeze when possible
- 12. Freeze dry (my cycle time was 35 hours)
- 13. Store in jars for short-term use or in mylar bags for long-term storage

Rehydration:

Add 2 divider portions or about $1\frac{1}{2}$ cups of freeze-dried soup to a bowl with 1 cup of hot water. Cover and let it sit for 3-4 minutes. Stir and enjoy

Notes:

Add a chopped jalapeño or a little cayenne pepper when cooking the onions and garlic for a spicier soup.

Calories: 288 Protein: 13 g Fat: 24 g Carbohydrates: 5 g Sugar: 1 g Fiber: 1 g