

**Doshic Effect:** Vata↓, Pitta ↓\*, Kapha ↓\*

Serves: 4 to 5

**Soak Time:** 12 to 24 hours (see "Additional Tips" for speed soaking method)

**Prep Time:** 5 minutes

Cook Time: 45 to 50 minutes

\*Please follow the ingredient modifications for each respective dosha.

## **INGREDIENTS**

- 2 tablespoons ghee (substitute with Rasayana Ghrita or coconut oil) (use 1 tablespoon for Kapha types)
- ½ teaspoon cumin seed
- ½ teaspoon brown mustard seed (omit for Pitta types or replace with fennel seed)
- 1/8 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
- ½ to 1 jalapeño, finely minced (optional; omit for Pitta)
- Fresh ginger (2 to 3 inch cube), finely minced or grated
- 2 tablespoons shredded coconut (use 1 tablespoon for Kapha)
- 2 tablespoons cashew pieces (use 1 tablespoon for Kapha)
- 1 to 2 teaspoons Agni Churna\* (or Vata Churna, Pitta Churna, or Kapha Churna)
- 8 cups unsalted bone broth, meat broth, or veggie broth homemade is best! (substitute with water or use ½ broth and ½ water)
- 2 cinnamon sticks
- 1 cup mung beans whole, soaked overnight
- 3/4 cup brown rice
- 1 small sweet potato, chopped (about 11/2 cups)
- 1 medium carrot, chopped
- 2 to 3 medium kale leafs, stemmed and chopped
- 1 lemon, juiced
- 3/4 teaspoon pink salt, mineral salt, or sea salt
- Chopped green onion (scallions), for garnish
- Shredded coconut, for garnish (omit for Kapha)

## **DIRECTIONS**

- 1. Soak the mung beans overnight. Strain and discard the soaking water. Set aside.
- 2. Mince the ginger and jalapeño (if using), set aside.

<sup>\*</sup>Agni Churna can be replaced by ½ teaspoon turmeric powder, ¼ teaspoon fennel powder, ¼ teaspoon coriander powder, and ¼ teaspoon cumin powder.

- 3. Melt the ghee in a large sauce pan on medium heat. Once hot, add the cumin seeds, brown mustard seeds, and black pepper. Sauté for 2 minutes, stirring every 30 seconds.
- 4. Add in the shredded coconut and cashew pieces. Continue to sauté for 2 minutes, stirring every 30 seconds.
- 5. Add in the Agni Churna and sauté for an additional 1 minute, stirring constantly.
- 6. Add the broth and cinnamon sticks and increase the heat to high; bring to a boil.
- 7. Once boiling, reduce the heat to medium-low and add the mung beans and brown rice. Cover and cook for 20 minutes. \*Keep a slight crack in the lid to avoid overflow.
- 8. After 20 minutes, add the sweet potatoes, carrots, and kale. Cook for 20 minutes over medium-low heat. Stir every 5 to 10 minutes.
- 9. Check on the Kitchari at 20 minutes. The beans should be split open, and the rice and veggies should be very soft. If there is still crunchiness, add a bit more water or broth (if needed), turn the heat to low, cover, and cook until everything is at the desired consistency. Check and stir every 3 to 5 minutes.
- 10. After the cooking process is complete, add in the fresh lemon juice and salt. Stir together until everything is evenly blended.
- 11. Serve in a bowl. Garnish each serving with chopped green onions and shredded coconut for a delicious finishing touch. Add more ghee, salt or pepper as needed.
- 12. Eat sitting down, with gratitude, with awareness, and with good company!

## ADDITIONAL TIPS

- If you do not have enough time for soaking the beans overnight, place the beans in a glass container and cover them with boiling water. Let the beans soak in the hot water for a minimum of 30 minutes, although at least 3 to 6 hours will be best.
- Vata types can add more nourishment and creaminess by mixing in 1 to 2 spoonfuls of tahini during step number 10.
- Replace the Agni Churna with Vata, Pitta, or Kapha Churna to make it more balancing for your dosha type.
- Use homemade broth for the most vital nutrients and flavor.
- Enjoy this meal for a more nourishing fall season Kitchari Cleanse (great for a Vatabalancing cleanse or during times of depletion), or as a post-cleanse meal for rebuilding and rejuvenation (great for all body-types).