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## **Venison Vegetable Soup**



Servings per Recipe: 8

#### **Nutrition Facts**

Calories: 160 Total Fat: 4 g Sodium: 710 mg

Total Carbohydrate: 16 g

Dietary Fiber: 3 g Protein: 16 g

## **Ingredients**

- 1 pound ground venison
- 1 tablespoon oil
- 1/2 cup onion, diced
- 1/2 cup celery, diced
- 1 (15 ounces) can diced tomatoes (do not drain)
- 1 (15oz) can mixed vegetables
- 1 (15oz) can diced potatoes
- 2 cups tomato juice
- 1 (15oz) can beef broth
- 1 tablespoon Italian seasoning
- 1/2 teaspoon ground black pepper
- 1/4 teaspoon red pepper flakes (optional)

## **Preparation**

- 1. Wash hands with warm water and soap.
- 2. Open cans of mixed vegetables and potatoes. Pour off liquid from cans and rinse vegetables under water.
- 3. To a 4- or 5-quart pot over medium heat, add ground venison, oil, onion, and celery. Cook, breaking meat into small pieces, until meat is browned.
- 4. Cover pot with lid and continue cooking 5 minutes, stirring occasionally, until onion and celery are tender.
- 5. Add remaining ingredients and stir to combine. Cover with lid and bring to a boil.

- 6. Reduce heat to low and simmer 15-20 minut stirring occasionally.
- 7. Serve with crackers, cornbread, or rolls (not included in recipe nutrition analysis).
- 8. Refrigerate leftovers within 2 hours. Eat leftovers within 4 days.

#### Note:

- If venison is ground with added fat, do not use oil in recipe. If a lot of fat is released from the cooked meat, drain the fat and return meat to pan.
- You can replace tomato juice with one (10.75-oz) can condensed tomato soup plus an extra one cup beef broth.
- To reduce sodium, use reduced-sodium or nosalt-added diced tomatoes, tomato juice, and beef broth.
- Recipe can be prepared with ground turkey, chicken, pork, beef, or meatless crumbles if venison is not available.
- Recipe developed and shared by <u>Hunters</u> <u>Feeding Illinois.</u>