Authentic Hummus Recipe

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Yield: 3-4 cups of hummus Servings: 8-12 Serving Size: 2 oz

4 cups of slow cooker chickpeas OR Two - 15 oz cans of low sodium chickpeas

2/3 cup tahini, stirred well

3 cloves of garlic

¹/₂ tsp cumin, ground

1/3 cup freshly squeezed lemon juice

¹/₄ to ¹/₂ cup warm water (Vary depending on consistency)

¹/₄ cup extra virgin olive oil, for drizzling over top

1 ¹/₄ tsp of sea salt, adjust as needed

Sumac for garnish (paprika can be substituted)

Slow Cooker Chickpeas

1 ¹/₄ cup dried Chickpeas (that have been previously soaked in water for 8 hours)

4 cups of water

1/4 tsp baking soda

- 1. Place dried chickpeas in slow cooker with water and baking soda. Cook on high for 4 hours or low for 8 hours. Chickpeas should be very soft. Then drain and allow to cool.
- 2. Put tahini, lemon juice, salt, and garlic in high powered mixer, process until smooth and creamy.
- 3. Add chick peas to mixer. Then drizzle ½ cup of water while chickpeas are mixing. Using canned chickpeas may require additional water. Process until smooth and creamy in texture, with no lumps.
- 4. Adjust seasoning as needed. Serve in serving dish with olive oil drizzled and paprika sprinkled on top.

Variations

Roasted Red Pepper Hummus: Omit the water, add 1 cup roasted red peppers that have been drained.

Cilantro and Jalapeno: Add 1 bunch of cilantro, ¹/₄ cup of additional water, and ¹/₂ small jalapeno that has been seeded and de-veined. Increase the jalapeno if you love the heat!

Seasonings that compliment hummus: Cumin, Coriander, Smoked Paprika, Bragg Liquid Amino Acids instead of salt, Sumac, Fresh Parsley

Other uses: replace the mayo on your sandwich, use in place of salad dressing, put in a breakfast wrap, energizing snack when served with vegetables