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Serving Size : 6 Preparation Time :0:00

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Amount	Measure	Ingredient Preparation Method
1/4	Tablespoons teaspoons teaspoon teaspoon teaspoon teaspoon teaspoon teaspoon teaspoon	onions chopped garlic minced ground chuck chili powder sweet paprika ground cumin ground coriander ground allspice dried oregano crumbled cinnamon ground cloves ground mace bay leaf water tomato sauce wine vinegar molasses spaghetti kidney beans chopped onion grated Cheddar cheese oyster crackers

In a large heavy kettle, cook the onions and the garlic in a little oil over moderate heat, stirring, until the onions are softened, add the beef, and cook the mixture, stirring and breaking up the lumps, until the beef is no longer pink. Add the chili powder, the paprika, the cumin, the coriander, the allspice, the oregano, the cinnamon, the cloves and the mace and cook the mixture, stirring, for 1 minute. Add the bay leaf, the water, the tomato sauce, the vinegar, and the molasses and simmer the mixture, uncovered, stirring occasionally and adding more water if necessary to keep the beef barely covered, for 2 hours, or until it is thickened but still soupy enough to be ladled. Discard the bay leaf and season the chili with salt and apper. Serve the chili as is or in the tradition Cincinnati 5-way: Ladle the chili over the spaghetti and top it with the beans, the onion, the Cheddar, and the oyster crackers. (Also over hot dogs.) Makes about 8 cups, serving 6.