hearty three-bean stew

This hearty three-bean stew is an excellent meal for everyone including those who are preparing for orthopaedic surgery. Prior to surgery, make a double batch of this stew and freeze a portion. Then it will be easy to reheat and enjoy after surgery when you are still recovering at home. This stew will wrap you up in warmth and soothe your soul this winter! Find your **RECIPE CARD** below and your **SHOPPING LIST** on the next page.

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YOU WILL NEED

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2 cups	onion, peeled and chopped			
2 cups	red bell pepper, seeds and ribs			
	removed, chopped			
2 cups	zucchini, chopped			
¼ cup	water			
3 ½ cups	low-sodium vegetable stock			
1½ cups	cooked red kidney beans (or a 15-ounce can, rinsed and			
	drained)			
1½ cups	cooked cannellini or other white			
	beans (or a 15-ounce can, rinsed			
	and drained)			
1½ cups	cooked black beans (or a			
	15-ounce can, rinsed and			
	drained)			
2 tsp	lemon zest			
2 Tbsp	lemon juice			
1 Tbsp	maple syrup			
¼ tsp	sp crushed red pepper flakes			
	(optional)			
1 Tbsp	fresh garlic, minced			
1 Tbsp	fresh thyme, finely chopped			
	(or 1 ½ tsp dried thyme)			
2 tsp	fresh marjoram or oregano,			
	finely chopped (or 1 tsp dried)			
½ tsp	fine sea salt			
¼ tsp	freshly ground pepper			
3 cups	kale, chopped, stems removed			

DIRECTIONS

- In a large, heavy-bottomed pot over medium heat, sauté onion, red pepper, zucchini, water, garlic, thyme, marjoram/ oregano, salt, and pepper, stirring frequently, until onions are translucent and vegetables have softened, about 10 minutes. NOTE: Because this is an Ornish recipe, no oil is used. You can use a spray of canola or avocado oil if you prefer to sauté with a bit of oil.
- 2 Add vegetable stock, all the beans, lemon zest, lemon juice, maple syrup, and red pepper flakes, if using. Bring to a simmer and let cook, stirring frequently for about 15 minutes.
- Fold in kale and cook another 3 to 4 minutes. Taste for seasoning.
- 4 Serve! We highly recommend serving this topped with some diced onion and a little fat-free feta cheese. Serve atop a bed of rice or quinoa, and sprinkle extra sliced onion on top if you like.

Source: Ornish Lifestyle Medicine

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Cut out this handy **SHOPPING LIST** and take it with you to the grocery store to make sure you don't miss any crucial ingredients!

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PRODUCE

- 🗌 2 small onions or 1 large onion
- \Box 2 red bell peppers
- 🗌 2 zucchinis
- 🗌 2 small bunches or 1 large bunch of kale
- 🗌 1 lemon
- 🗌 a head of garlic

PANTRY

□ 1 32-ounce box of low-sodium vegetable stock

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- 🗌 1 15-ounce can of kidney beans
- 🗌 1 15-ounce can of cannellini beans
- 🗌 1 15-ounce can of black beans

🗌 maple syrup

HERBS AND SPICES

- 🗌 red pepper flakes
- 🗌 fresh thyme
- 🗌 fresh marjoram or oregano

