

Comparing this to a can of blended black beans is like comparing a Formula One race car

to a 76 Ford Pinto. Years ago, my wife surprised me by having a cooking show come to our house. The Chef helped my wife prepare a Latin dinner to surprise me when I got home. The most memorable part of that meal for me (of the food), was the black bean puree. I had NEVER had anything like it before and asked him to show me how to make it. This is my WW-erized version of his dish, which was served in place of regular beans. I'm presenting it here as a dip.

Ingredients:

- 1/2 cup diced onion
- 1/2 cup diced poblano pepper, seeds removed
- 1/2 cup diced red bell pepper
- · 1 medium garlic clove
- 1/2 cup chopped cilantro, packed
- 45oz canned black beans, rinsed and drained.
 (1 30oz can and 1 15oz can, oooooor 3 15oz cans lol)
- 1-1/2 tsp ground cumin
- 1/2 tsp salt
- 1/4 tsp black pepper
- 1 Tbsp red wine vinegar
- 1/2 cup chicken broth
- · 1/2 tsp garlic powder

Serving Info.:

Yields: 3-1/2 cups Servings: 7

Serving Size: 1/2 cups





 - last checked 11/25/21 Use your mobile device's 'Camera' App to look at this code for nutritional info.

Directions:

- 1. Use a colander to rinse and drain the black beans. Rinse off that disgusting black goop from inside the cans, till the water runs clean. Let the beans drain, then set aside.
- 2. In a medium sized pot, use cooking spray to cook the onion, garlic, and both the poblano and red peppers, over medium heat. Add the salt and pepper, cook until softened.
- 3. Add the vinegar, chicken broth, garlic powder, salt, pepper and cumin. Stir to combine. Allow the mixture to come to a simmer, then add the black beans and cilantro. Allow to cook down for 5 minutes, stirring occasionally.
- Carefully pour or scoop the hot bean mixture into a food processor, then process on high speed until smooth.
- 5. Taste, then season with additional salt & cumin, if needed. Garnish with cilantro, diced tomatoes and a small amount of fat free feta cheese, enough to stay 0 points.

Notes:

- You can use a green bell pepper instead of a Poblano. A poblano is pretty much the same as a regular bell pepper, but a darker green, and with a slight smokiness when cooked. It's not spicy.
- If you don't have a food processor, use an immersion blender in the pot, though.
- I call this a dip, but you can use it in place of refried beans as a side dish. Trust me... it's good.

