Mung Bean & Shrimp Gumbo

Ingredients

- 2 Tbs extra-virgin olive oil
- 10 garlic cloves, crushed
- 14 cup chopped red onion
- 1 14-oz can chopped tomatoes
- 1 tsp cumin
- 2 inches of fresh ginger, peeled and grated
- 1 Tbsp tomato paste
- sea salt and black pepper, to taste
- 1/8 tsp (or to taste) cayenne pepper
- 3 cups water
- 1 cup dried mung beans
- 1 13.5-oz can full fat coconut milk
- 1 Tbsp Cajun Seasoning
- 10 -12 pieces cooked shrimp

Instructions

- 1. In large pot, heat the olive oil over medium heat until hot.
- 2. Add the garlic and onion, and sauté, stirring, 3 mins.
- 3. Add the tomatoes, tomato paste, cumin, ginger, salt and pepper, cayenne and Cajun seasoning.
- 4. Cook, stirring often, 5 mins.
- 5. Pour in the water and stir in the mung beans.
- 6. Bring to a boil, then reduce the heat to low, cover the pot, and let simmer for 40 mins.
- 7. Meanwhile, thaw frozen shrimp in cold running water
- 8. Then, uncover the pot, add shrimp and let simmer an additional 15 mins, or until the mung beans are softened.
- 9. Turn off the heat and stir in the coconut milk.
- 10. Ladle into bowls and enjoy! Can be served on its own as a soup or over rice.