## **Healing Chicken Soup**

An immune-boosing soup–the ultimate comfort food



- 2 tablespoons oil
- Salt and pepper to taste
- 8 cups chicken stock
- 2 tablespoons lemon juice
- 2 bay leaves
- 1/2 teaspoon dried thyme
- 1/2 teaspoon dried oregano
- 1 sprig rosemary, or ½ teaspoon dried
- 2 tablespoons chopped fresh parsley leaves
- 4 garlic cloves, minced
- 1 pound boneless, skinless chicken breasts cut into small pieces
- 1 onion, diced
- 2 carrots, peeled and chopped
- 2 ribs celery, chopped
- 16 ounces mushrooms, sliced thin
- $\frac{1}{2}$  cup uncooked pasta of your choice, or rice
- 1 bunch kale, stems removed, leaves chopped
- 1 can (15ounces) beans (whatever you have on hand), drained and rinsed

## **DIRECTIONS:**

- 1. Heat 1 tablespoon oil in large stockpot over medium heat.
- **2.** Season chicken with salt and pepper. Add chicken to pot, cooking until golden about 2-3 minutes per side.
- **3.** After removing chicken, add 1 tablespoon oil to the stockpot. Add onions, carrots, and celery.
- **4.** Cook, stirring occasionally, until vegetables are tender about 3-4 minutes.
- **5.** Add garlic and mushrooms, stirring occasionally, until browned about 5 minutes.
- 6. Stir in thyme, oregano and cook for about 1 minute.
- **7.** Pour in chicken stock and add bay leaves and bring to a boil.
- 8. Stir in pasta or rice, chicken and rosemary. Reduce heat and simmer until pasta is tender according to the package instructions.
- 9. Add in kale and beans, cooking for about 3 minutes.
- **10.** Stir in lemon juice and fresh parsley and season with salt and pepper to taste.
- 11. Serve immediately and enjoy!

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