



Phoebe Clappsaddle and the **Tumbleweed Gang** By Melanie Chrismer Illustrated by Virginia Roeder

Ingredients

3 lbs. Ground round beef or ground sirloin 1 ½ pounds lean ground pork 2 onions, diced fine 4 garlic cloves, pressed 3 T chili powder 1 T. flour 1 - 15 oz. can tomato sauce 1 can water ½ t. oregano 1 T. salt 1 bay leaf, crumbled 2 t. cumin seed ½ t. coriander

1 t. cilantro 1 square (1 oz.) unsweetened chocolate 1/4 packet taco seasoning Tabasco (as MUCH as you can stand)

Directions

Brown beef and pork. Add onion and garlic and cook until clear and soft. Combine chili powder, flour, and taco seasoning and then add to meat and stir well. Add tomato sauce and water. Add oregano, salt, bay leaves, cumin seed, coriander, and cilantro. Simmer slowly for one hour. Add chocolate and simmer for at least one more hour. Then taste and start adding Tabasco sauce. It doesn't start to singe your eyebrows until you have added half a bottle (about 1 oz.) but then you have to wear flame-retardant clothing. It really is DEE-licious. Feeds 9 hungry cowpokes!

Enjoy!! Phoebe

coriander cumin seed

oregano bay leat

15 oz. can of tomato sauce

garlic cloves

½ pounds lean, ground pork

pounds of ground round or ground sirloin

ilantro

Other necessities a cowgirl needs!

Tabasco sauce

packet taco seasoning

oz. Unsweetened chocolate

Phoebe's Grocery List