

Veggie Black Bean Burgers

Packed with plant power, fiber, and flavor!

Makes aprox. 4 burgers

Ingredients

- ½ cup Old Fashioned oats
- 1 (15 oz) can black beans, drained and rinsed
- 1 egg
- 2 garlic cloves, grated or minced
- 1 tsp ground cumin
- ½ tsp salt
- ½ cup shredded carrot
- ½ cup finely chopped spinach or kale
- ¼ cup finely chopped red bell pepper
- 2 oz Monterey Jack or cheddar cheese, finely grated (optional)
- 1 large scallion, thinly sliced
- 2 T cilantro, chopped
- 1 T olive oil
- 4 hamburger buns, toasted or lettuce wraps
- Sliced avocado, salsa, and lettuce for serving

Directions

- 1. In a food processor, pulse oats 3-4 times to roughly chop.
- 2. Add half the black beans, egg, garlic, cumin, and salt. Process for about 1 minute until mostly smooth.
- 3. Transfer the mixture to a large bowl. Stir in the remaining black beans, carrots, spinach, bell pepper, cheese (if using), scallion, and cilantro. Mix until well combined.
- 4. Lightly wet your hands and shape into four ½-inch thick patties. Place on a plate and freeze for at least 10 minutes to firm up.
- 5. Heat a heavy skillet over medium-high heat. Add olive oil and swirl to coat. Cook patties for 3–4 minutes per side, flipping carefully, until browned and heated through.
- 6. Serve on toasted buns with avocado, salsa, lettuce, or your favorite toppings.

Equipment

- Food processor
- Large bowl
- Large pan or cast iron pan
- Metal spatula
- Measuring Spoons/Cups
- Chef Knife
- Cutting Board
- Plate for Serving