Competition Chili

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I have always wanted to enter into a chili competition but never had the time. So I decided I would make a nice competition chili at home to see what the differences are between it and normal chili. For one, Competition chili does not have beans. It can not have any fillers such as noodles or rice. It has to be meat, seasonings and that is about it. So I made a batch and Dana loved it. Even though it was a little spicier than she normally likes, it was a hit. If you like chili you will have to try this out!



Trimming the Meat

I purchased a beef chuck roast. I then proceeded to cube it into 1/4-1/2 inch cubes. The more uniform the size the better. Make sure to trim the meat to remove all of the fat and connecting tissue.



As you can see the cubes are small and this step is quite time consuming.



But it is necessary for the best results.

The Dump

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The Beef

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Once the meat is browned, add the Franks Red Hot, tomato sauce, beef base and enough beef broth to cover the meat. It may not take the whole container.



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Layering the Spice

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Add the final portion (AKA the final dump) to the pot, stir. Cover for 15 minutes and the chili is ready. Serve straight up and enjoy.

This chili was awesome! Dana hates spice, but she said that this chili was the best! It is the perfect balance of awesome flavor and spice.

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A hearty chili that is a perfect base for competition

Servings: 8 Author: Rex Ingredients

- 3 pounds trimmed Beef Chuck cubed into 1/4-1/2 inch cubes.
- 2 tbs Vegetable Oil
- 32 oz Beef Broth low sodium
- 1 tsp Franks Red Hot
- 8 oz can Tomato Sauce
- 5 tbs Chili Powder
- 2 tbs Beef Base

- 1 tbs Onion Powder
- 4 tsp Cumin
- 2 tsp Garlic Powder
- 1/2 tsp Salt
- 1/2 tsp White Pepper
- 1/2 tsp Cayenne Pepper
- 1/2 tsp Paprika
- 1/4 tsp Black Pepper
- 1/4 tsp Oregano
- 1/2 Bay Leaf Crushed

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