

Superbowl Italian Sausage Chili

20 ounces Italian Salsiccia Sausage
1 cup chopped onion
3 ribs celery, chopped or sliced
1 sweet red pepper, chopped
1 green pepper, chopped
1 tablespoon minced garlic
3 tablespoons olive oil
3 cans (14 oz) Italian stewed tomatoes
1 can (16 oz) dark red kidney beans
1 can (15 oz) butter beans
1 can (6 oz) tomato paste
1 tablespoon chopped basil
1 ½ teaspoons baking cocoa
½ (optional) teaspoon pepper
¾ cup black olives, chopped or sliced

Grill Italian sausage, cutting into half-moon slices and set aside. In soup kettle sauté onion, celery, peppers & garlic in olive oil until tender. Add Italian sausage & remaining ingredients & bring to a boil. Reduce heat cover & simmer for about an hour. Suggestion: Sprinkle chili with grated asiago, Romano or parmesan cheese.

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