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Recipe modified from Chocolate Covered Katie

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- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 1 small onion, about ½ cup, chopped
- 2 cloves garlic, minced and divided
- ¾ cup oats
- 15 ounce can of kidney beans, rinsed and drained
- 1 tablespoon tomato paste
- 2 tablespoons Italian seasoning
- ½ teaspoon salt
- ½ teaspoon black pepper

Yield: 12-16 meatballs Serving Size: 4 meatballs



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#### **Directions**

- Preheat the oven to 350F and line a large baking sheet with parchment paper.
- In a skillet, heat the oil over medium heat. Sauté the onions and the two garlic cloves until softened, about 3 minutes.
- Transfer the onion mixture to a food processor or large bowl. Add the oats, beans, tomato paste, Italian seasoning, salt, and black pepper. Pulse to combine until the beans become part of the coarse mixture. If you don't have a food processor, use a fork or potato masher to crush the beans into the mixture.
- Using your hands, form 12 to 16 balls and place them on the lined baking sheet. Bake for 15 minutes, carefully flipping them over halfway through.



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**Protein** includes all foods made from seafood; meat, poultry, and eggs; beans, peas, lentils; and nuts, seeds, and soy products. Beans, peas, and lentils are also part of the Vegetable Group.



Foods made from wheat, rice, oats, cornmeal, barley, or another cereal grain is a **grain** product. Bread, pasta, breakfast cereals, grits, and tortillas are examples of grain products. Foods such as popcorn, rice, and oatmeal are also included in the Grains Group.

#### **Cooking Tips**

- This is a great recipe for anyone trying to eat less meat!
- Try using a potato masher if you struggle crushing the beans with a fork.
- If you use rolled or old fashioned-oats, pulse them in a food processor or blender before mixing with other ingredients. If you use quick oats, you can skip this step!
- Try serving these meatballs with a homemade sauce of your choice, and over spaghetti (or spaghetti squash for a healthy swap!)

Second Harvest is an equal opportunity provider.

#### **Nutrition Facts**

4 servings per container Serving size 4 M	leatball
Amount Per Serving Calories	240
%	Daily Value
Total Fat 6g	89
Saturated Fat 0.9g	59
Trans Fat 0g	
Cholesterol 0mg	09
Sodium 330mg	149
Total Carbohydrate 38g	149
Dietary Fiber 9g	329
Total Sugars 6g	
Includes 0g Added Sugars	0%
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