TURKEY AND BLACK BEAN CHILI

SERVES 8

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4 Tablespoons unsalted butter (you can use oil, but it won't be as good)

2 pounds boneless, skinless turkey breast, cut into 1-inch cubes

1 red onion, chopped

1 cup chopped celery, about 3 stalks

1 sweet red bell pepper, chopped

1 jalapeno, seeded (or leave seeds for extra heat) and finely diced (optional)

2 cloves garlic, finely diced

¼ cup masa harina (more if you like it very thick)

2 ½ Tablespoons ground cumin

2 Tablespoons ground coriander

2 teaspoons dried oregano

1 teaspoon cayenne

2 Tablespoons maple sugar or natural cane sugar

2 teaspoons sea salt (double if you're using unsalted stock)

freshly ground black pepper to taste

4 ½ cups of chicken or turkey stock, divided*

2 ¼ cups frozen sweet corn, thawed (about 12 ounces)

5 cups or 3 15-ounce ounce cans cooked black beans (drained and rinsed)

- 1. Melt butter in a large pot. Add half the turkey and sauté until lightly browned. Remove with a slotted spoon to a bowl. Repeat with the remaining turkey. If using cooked turkey, do not sauté in butter, but add in step 3.
- 2. Add the onion, pepper, celery, jalapeno, and garlic to the pot and sauté until tender, about 10 minutes.
- 3. Add the masa harina, spices, sugar, salt and pepper to the pot and cook, stirring frequently for 5 minutes. Return turkey and any accumulated juices back to the pot.
- 4. Add 4 cups stock, 1 cup corn and the beans to the pot. Take the remaining 1 ¼ cup of corn and puree with the remaining ½ cup stock in a food processor (a mini processor works too.) Add the pureed corn to the pot. Mix well and bring to boil over mediumhigh heat. Lower the heat to a simmer and cook, partially covered for 25 minutes. Serve with desired condiments (sour cream, cheese, minced onion, cilantro) or on top of a baked potato.

^{*}If you only have stock in 32 oz. containers, no need to open a new one just for a 1/2 cup of stock. Puree corn in 1/2 cup water.