

Easy Leftover Turkey Dumpling Soup

Makes: 8 servings (about 3 quarts)

Ingredients

Soup:

- 6 tablespoons butter, divided
- 1 large onion, chopped
- 5 medium carrots, chopped
- 5 medium stalks celery, chopped
- ¹/₄ cup all-purpose flour
- 6 cups chicken broth
- $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon salt
- ¹/₂ teaspoon pepper
- 4 cups coarsely shredded cooked turkey
- 1 cup frozen peas

Dumplings:

- $1\frac{1}{2}$ cups all-purpose flour
- 1¹/₂ teaspoons baking powder
- $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon salt
- ¹/₄ teaspoon poultry seasoning
- ¹/₄ teaspoon pepper
- ³/₄ cup whole buttermilk
- 1 large egg
- 3 tablespoons butter, melted
- Garnish (optional): chopped fresh parsley

Directions

- 1. For soup: In a large Dutch oven, heat 2 tablespoons butter over medium heat. Add onion, carrots, and celery, and cook, stirring frequently, until tender, 5 to 6 minutes. Stir in remaining 4 tablespoons butter until melted. Stir in flour until combined; cook, stirring constantly, for 2 minutes. Gradually stir in broth, salt, and pepper. Bring to a boil; reduce heat to medium-low, cover, and simmer for 30 minutes. Stir in turkey and peas; return mixture just to a boil.
- 2. Meanwhile, for dumplings: In a medium bowl, whisk together flour, baking powder, salt, poultry seasoning, and pepper.
- 3. In a small bowl, whisk together buttermilk, egg, and melted butter. Using a fork, add buttermilk mixture to flour mixture, stirring just until moistened. Using a scoop or measuring cup, gently drop dough by ¼ cupfuls into simmering soup, leaving space between dumplings.

Cover and simmer until a wooden pick inserted in center of dumplings comes out clean, about 20 minutes. Garnish with parsley, if desired.

Prep Tip: You can use one (16.3-ounce) can of refrigerated homestyle biscuits as a substitute for homemade dumplings! Drop into soup as directed for dumplings and proceed with recipe as directed.

Prep Tip: One cup of milk may be used in place of buttermilk.

Prep Tip: Three cups of frozen peas and carrots can be used in place of fresh carrots and frozen peas. Add as directed for peas.

Pro Tip: Cooked, leftover turkey is good for 3-4 days. To save for even longer, pop it in the freezer to save for up to six months!

Pro Tip: If you don't have baking powder, but have baking soda - no worries! Baking powder is just baking soda + an acid (think cream of tartar, lemon juice or white vinegar). To substitute your baking powder with baking soda + an acid, mix ½ teaspoon of acid with ¼ teaspoon of baking soda. This ratio will give you an equivalent of 1 teaspoon of baking powder.

