Butternut Comfort Soup

SERVINGS: 12

Ingredients	Quantity	Measure
Olive oil	2	tbsp.
Garlic, minced	2	cloves
Onion, diced	1/2	cup
Fresh ginger, peeled and minced	1	tbsp.
Butternut squash, roasted whole, peeled and cut into medium pieces	3	cups
Water	1/2	cup
Vegetable Broth	3	cups
Salt	1	tsp.
Pepper	1	tsp.
Almond or soy Milk	1/2	cup

Preparation

- Rub 1 tbsp. of olive oil on butternut squash. Place squash in hotel pan with ½ cup water and roast 15 minutes on each side in 375 degree oven. Remove from heat, allow to cool to touch, and peel. Cut into medium pieces. Set aside.
- 2. Put 1 tbsp. olive oil in a pot. Add garlic, onions, ginger, salt and pepper. Sauté for 4-5 minutes on medium-high heat.
- 3. Add squash and vegetable broth. Cook until tender.
- 4. Strain, reserving liquid. Puree squash and add liquid as needed to achieve desired soup consistency.
- 5. Add almond milk as desired for creaminess.

Optional

Protein croutons may be added for a surprising crisp/tender crunch and pleasant contrast to the brilliant orange of the soup.

With 4 ounces of a package of refrigerated extra firm tofu, chop tofu into dice sized pieces. Roll in a mixture of flour, salt, pepper and garlic powder. Stir fry in a pan of light oil until floured tofu is crispy. Allow to sit briefly on a plate covered with a paper towel. Place atop plated soup and serve.

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Serve 4 oz. topped with fresh croutons.

Nutrition Information (without tofu croutons)*From USDA Nutrient Database

Calories: 46 Total Fat: 2g Saturated Fat: 0g Carbohydrate: 6g Protein: 1g Sodium: 387mg Vitamin A: 193 μ g Vitamin C: 8mg Calcium: 40mg Iron: 0mg Folic Acid: 14 μ g

