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Butternut Squash Soup

Ingredients

- · 2 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil
- 1 large vellow onion, chopped
- 1/2 teaspoon sea salt
- 1 (3-pound) butternut squash, peeled, seeded, and cubed
- 3 garlic cloves, chopped
- 1 tablespoon chopped fresh sage
- ½ tablespoon minced fresh rosemary
- · 1 teaspoon grated fresh ginger
- 3 to 4 cups no/low-sodium vegetable broth
- · Freshly ground black pepper

For serving:

Chopped parsley, crusty bread



Recipe from Loveandlemons.com (adapted)



Instructions

- 1. Heat the olive oil in a large pot over medium heat. Add onion, salt, and several grinds of fresh pepper. Sauté until soft for 5 to 8 minutes. Add the squash and cook until it begins to soften, stirring occasionally, for 8 to 10 minutes.
- 2. Add garlic, sage, rosemary, and ginger. Stir and cook 30 seconds to 1 minute, until fragrant, add 3 cups of the broth. Bring to a boil, cover, and reduce heat to a simmer. Cook until the squash is tender. 20 to 30 minutes.
- 3. Let mixture cool slightly. Pour into a blender, in batches if necessary, blend until smooth. If soup is too thick, add up to 1 cup more broth and blend. If needed, pour the soup back into the pot and warm it up on the stove over medium heat, stir occasionally. Season to taste, serve with parsley and crusty bread.

Refrigerate leftover soup for up to 4 days or freeze for up to 3 months.

Optional:

- Substitute ½ cup chopped shallot (about 1 large shallot bulb) for the onion.
- To roast the butternut squash ahead of time: Preheat oven to 425 degrees Fahrenheit. Carefully cut squash in half vertically, remove seeds. Place squash on lined pan, rub 1/2 tsp. olive oil on inside of each half, sprinkle with salt and pepper. Turn squash face down, roast until tender about 40 to 50 minutes. Set squash aside until cool enough to handle. Scoop flesh with large spoon (discard tough skin) and add squash to the broth mixture in the blender in Step 3.

Nutrition Information per Serving Serves 6

Calories		140
Protein		2.5g
Carbohydr	ates	22g
Total Fat		5.5g
Saturated I	- at	0.8g
Sodium	250-450mg (depends	s on broth used)
Dietary Fiber		4g
Sugars		4g
The information	shown is an estimate.	



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