BUTTERNUT SQUASH & CARROT SOUP

Final Lifestyle

INGREDIENTS

1 TBS butter or margarine

3 cups peeled, diced butternut squash (about 1 small squash)

2 cups thinly sliced carrots (4 medium carrots)

34 cup thinly sliced leeks or chopped yellow onion

2 (14.5 ounce) cans reduced-sodium chicken broth

1/4 TSP ground white pepper

1/4 teaspoon nutmeg

1/4 cup regular or fat-free half-and-half or light cream

Fresh tarragon leaves (optional)

INSTRUCTIONS

- —In a large saucepan over medium heat melt butter or margarine. Add squash, carrots, and leeks or onion to pan. Cook, covered, for 8 minutes, stirring occasionally. Add broth. Bring to a boil; reduce heat. Simmer, covered, for 25 minutes or until vegetables are very tender.
- —Place one-third of the squash mixture in a food processor bowl or blender container. Cover; process or blend until almost smooth. Repeat with remaining mixture.
- —Return mixture to saucepan. Add white pepper and nutmeg. Bring just to boiling. Add half-and-half or light cream; heat through. Ladle into soup bowls. (If desired, garnish with fresh tarragon.)

SERVING INFO: (Serves 6)

1 cup = 2 V

See photo of recipe at Instagram and Facebook.