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doctor capozzi's famous and fabulous sicilian fish soup

serves 4

ingredients:

- 2 pounds various fish fillets, cut into cubes
- 4 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil
- 1 large onions, chopped
- 2 ripe tomatoes, quartered
- 1/2 a fennel, sliced
- 1 leek, white part only, chopped
- 1 tablespoon tomato paste
- 4 garlic cloves, sliced
- 1 bay leaf
- 1 large pinch of saffron
- 3-4 cloves

In a large pot heat the olive oil and add the leek, fennel, onion and tomatoes, cook for 5 minutes, then add the fish. Cook over medium heat for 15 minutes. Crush the fish with a wooden spatula. Add 3 pints of water, salt, pepper, garlic tomato paste, cloves and saffron. Boil for 40 minutes. Put everything through a food mill. Keep liquid only. Bring back to a boil and serve with garlic croutons and parmesan cheese.

