= Carrot soup =

Carrot soup (referred to in French as Potage de Crécy , Potage Crécy , Potage à la Crécy , Purée à la Crécy and Crème à la Crécy) is a soup prepared with carrot as a primary ingredient . It may be prepared as a cream- or broth @-@ style soup . Additional vegetables , root vegetables and various other ingredients may be used in its preparation . It may be served hot or cold , and several recipes exist .

Carrot soup has been described as a "classic " dish in French cuisine. The soup was eaten by King Edward VII every year on 26 August to commemorate the 1346 Battle of Crécy.

= = Overview = =

Carrot soup may be prepared as a cream @-@ style soup and as a broth @-@ style soup . Vegetable stock or chicken stock may be used as ingredients in both styles of soup . Other vegetables may be used in the dish , including root vegetables , the latter of which may include garlic onion , shallot , potato , turnip and others . Carrot juice and orange juice may be used in its preparation , and some versions are prepared using puréed carrot . After cooking , the dish may be run through a sieve to strain it . The carrots used may be peeled or unpeeled , and the use of peeled carrots can lend to increased smoothness in puréed versions of the dish . Those prepared with puréed carrot may have a thick consistency while also being smooth in texture . The soup 's color can vary based upon the coloration of the carrots used . Young carrots tend to make the soup sweeter and imbue it with a bright orange coloration , while older , larger carrots provide less sweetness and may imbue a yellow coloration . The use of old , cracked carrots that have a woody texture in their interior can produce a soup of inferior quality .

Several ingredient variations exist in carrot soup preparations . Some carrot soups are prepared using coconut milk , coconut water , coconut cream , coconut butter or coconut pieces . Some versions include ginger as an ingredient , and some include curry . Green carrot leaves (greens) from the top of carrots may be used as an ingredient in the dish . Chopped mint leaves are used in some versions . It may be served hot or chilled . Salt and pepper may be used to season the dish , and nutmeg is sometimes used as a seasoning . It is sometimes topped with yogurt , a yogurt sauce , crème fraîche , sour cream , and other ingredients .

The zest of orange may be used as a garnish, as an ingredient within the dish itself, and in both ways. Additional garnishes can include dill, carrot leaves, grated, minced or diced carrot, chives, other fresh, chopped herbs, croutons, and toast squares, among others. Carrot soup can be prepared as a vegan food, and can also be prepared as a bisque.

Carrot soup may contain a significant amount of nitrite.

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= = In French cuisine = =

Carrot soup (Potage de Crécy , Potage Crécy , et al .) is a dish in French cuisine , and has been described as a " classic " and " famous " dish in the country 's cuisine . Potage is a variety of soups that have a thick consistency . Potage Crécy is named after Crécy @-@ en @-@ Ponthieu , a commune in Northern France that has been purported to produce carrots with the best flavor within the country .

In French cuisine, Crécy soup is typically prepared with rice, which may also be served as a side dish. Rice may be used as an ingredient to thicken the dish, and barley has also been used.

= = History = =

Although the modern sweet orange carrot was not developed until the 16th century, in the Low Countries, it has been represented as a tradition, and it was once customary for English people to eat Crécy soup annually on 26 August in commemoration of the anniversary of the Battle of Crécy,

which occurred in Crécy, France on that date in 1346.

Crécy soup was eaten annually by King Edward VII , King of the United Kingdom between 1901 and 1910 , on the battle 's anniversary day , in honour of his ancestor , Edward , the Black Prince , who led the battle . It has also been suggested that the soup was served to triumphant English soldiers after the battle concluded , using carrots from Crécy .