

## Cream of Tomato Bisque

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Category: Tomato Soup

Serves/Makes: 2 qts | Difficulty Level: 3 | Ready in: 1-2 hrs

## Ingredients:

6 ounces carrots, finely diced

- 4 ounces celery, finely diced
- 4 ounces onions, finely diced
- 1 1/2 teaspoon chopped garlic
- 6 black peppercorns
- 1 tablespoon parsley stems
- 1 bay leaf
- 3 ounces flour
- 3 ounces margarine (thickening agent)
- 1 quart chicken stock
- 24 ounces can diced tomatoes
- 8 ounces can tomato paste
- 1 pint whipping cream
- salt and pepper to taste

## Directions:

In a 4 quart soup pot cook carrots, celery, onion, garlic, black pepper, parsley stems, bay leaf and chicken stock, diced tomatoes, and tomato paste. Simmer about 1 hour. Strain this mixture into a container and put reserve liquid back into soup pot. Make a roux by mixing flour and margarine and cook about 1 minute. Whip roux into stock base to thicken. Finish with whipping cream and salt and pepper. Top cups of soup with grated parmesan cheese and chopped parsley.

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