One Pot Vegan Gluten-Free Minestrone



| Time: | 30 minutes |
|--------------|--|
| Serves: | 6 |
| Ingredients: | 2 tablespoons olive oil ½ medium white or yellow onion (diced) 3 cloves of garlic (minced) 2 large carrots (peeled and sliced into thin circles) 1 ½ cups fresh green beans(trimmed and roughly chopped) 1 small zucchini (sliced into small rounds) 5 or 6 whole tomatoes (peeled or diced) 6 cups vegetable broth 2 teaspoons dried basil 2 teaspoons dried oregano 1 teaspoon coconut sugar (optional to taste) 2 cups gluten free pasta noodles 1 cup kale, spinach or other greens |

Directions:

- 1. Heat a large pot or Dutch oven over medium heat.
- 2. Once hot add oil, onion, garlic and cook for three minutes stirring occasionally.
- **3.** Add carrots and green beans and season with salt & pepper to taste. Cook for 2-3 minutes stirring occasionally until the vegetables have softened slightly and have some color.
- 4. Add zucchini, tomatoes, vegetable broth basil and oregano. Stir to coat.
- 5. Increase heat to medium-high and bring soup to a strong simmer then reduce heat to medium-low until soup is simmering but not boiling.
- **6.** Add pasta and stir. Cook for 10 minutes, stirring occasionally. Reduce heat if needed to keep soup at a simmer.
- **7.** Simmer for 4-5 minutes longer, stirring occasionally. Taste soup and adjust seasonings as needed adding coconut sugar to balance the flavors (optional).
- **8.** Add kale, spinach, or other greens and stir. Simmer for 3-4 minutes to wilt the greens and allow flavor to soak through the greens.
- 9. Turn off heat and let rest 5 minutes before serving.
- **10.** Then serve with fresh cilantro or parsley garnish.