PUMPKIN SOUP WITH CROUTONS





WHAT YOU NEED:

INGREDIENTS (MAKES 8 CUPS)

Soup

- 3 kilograms pumpkin
- 4 onions
- 4 potatoes
- 4 carrot
- 3 litres chicken stock
- 1 tsp nutmeg
- Salt, pepper

Croutons

1/2 cup roasted garlic oil

3 tablespoons grated parmesan cheese

1 teaspoon thyme (chopped)

1/2 loaf day old bread

UTENSILS

Chopping board

Cook's knife

Measuring cups

Measuring spoons

Colander

Food processor

Soup bowls and spoons

WHAT YOU DO:

METHOD

- 1. Collect ingredients and utensils.
- 2. Peel pumpkins, onions and carrots. Cut into pieces.
- 3. Put all vegetables in a large saucepan and add chicken stock, nutmeg, salt and pepper.
- 4. Bring to the boil. Reduce heat and simmer until pumpkin is tender.
- 5. Puree in the blender, food processor or rub through a sieve.
- 6. Drizzle with cream and serve with croutons.

To make the croutons - Mix oil, parmesan cheese and thyme in a large bowl. Cut the crust from the bread and cut into 1 cm cubes. Place the cubed bread into the bowl and mix with your hands. Place the bread on a baking sheet and bake in a preheated $180^{\circ}C$ oven until lightly golden brown, about 10 minutes. Drain on paper towel.