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Roasted Butternut Squash & Apple Soup with Toasted Pepitas & Crème Fraîche

Prep Time: 50 minutes • Yields: 6 servings

Ingredients:

5 cups cubed butternut squash, skin removed (one medium butternut squash)

- 2 cups cubed apples; peeled
- ½ medium white or yellow onion, sliced
- 5 cloves whole garlic, peeled and crushed
- 2 tsp. avocado oil
- 2 tsp. maple syrup
- 1 pinch sea salt
- 1 pinch black pepper
- $1\frac{1}{2} 2$ cups vegetable broth
- 2/3 cup light coconut milk or cashew milk
- 1/4 tsp. ground cinnamon
- 1 pinch nutmeg
- 1 pinch cayenne
- Toasted pepitas (optional) Crème fraîche (optional)

Method:

- 1. Heat oven to 400°F and line two baking sheets with parchment paper.
- 2. Add cubed squash, apples, onion, and garlic to the baking sheets and drizzle with oil and maple syrup.
- 3. Season with salt and pepper and toss to combine. Bake for 25-30 minutes, or until squash and apples are tender.
- 4. Transfer to a large pot or Dutch oven and add vegetable broth, coconut milk, cinnamon nutmeg, and cayenne.
- 5. Stir to combine, then bring to a simmer over medium heat.
- 6. Reduce heat to low, cover, and simmer for 5-10 minutes to allow the flavors to meld.
- 7. Use an immersion blender or carefully transfer mixture to a high-speed blender that's safe for hot foods, and blend until creamy and smooth.
- 8. If you prefer thinner soup, add more vegetable broth at this time.
- 9. Taste and adjust flavor as needed, adding salt and pepper to taste, maple syrup for sweetness, cinnamon for warmth, nutmeg for nuttiness, or cayenne for heat.
- 10. Enjoy and serve as is, or top with toasted pepitas, croutons, and a drizzle of crème fraîche or coconut milk.

Equipment:

Oven

Baking sheets Parchment paper

Large pot or Dutch oven

Immersion blender

