# Gazpacho

Who says you can't eat soup in warm weather? This gazpacho packs a healthy punch and is a refreshing treat any day of the week!

Yield: 6-8 servings Prep Time: 3 hours

# **Ingredients:**

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- 6oz rustic bread, cubed, crust removed\*
- 800g (1 can) Ciao Italian Whole Peeled Tomatoes
- 1 green bell pepper
- 1 cucumber
- 1 red onion
- 1 large clove of garlic
- 6oz Olitalia Extra Virgin Olive Oil
- 2 tablespoons sherry vinegar
- Pinch of cumin
- Handful of oregano
- Salt and pepper, to taste

#### Recommendations

\*We recommend using stale bread made with Caputo flour



## **Instructions:**

- 1. Roughly chop the vegetables and garlic.
- 2. Place the cubed bread in a large mixing bowl. Top with a heavy pinch of salt, a handful of the Ciao Italian Whole Peeled Tomatoes, the chopped vegetables, garlic, a splash of Olitalia Extra Virgin Olive Oil, and sherry vinegar.
- 3. Add another pinch of salt.
- 4. Let the mixture sit for 20 minutes, allowing the juices to hydrate the bread.
- 5. Add the contents of the mixing bowl to a blender.
- 6. Add the remaining contents of the Ciao Italian Whole Peeled Tomatoes, cumin, oregano, and remaining Olitalia Extra Virgin Olive Oil.
- 7. Blend until smooth. Blend in batches as necessary.
- 8. Season to taste with sherry vinegar, salt, and pepper.
- 9. Strain the soup, and chill for a few hours for the best results.