Recipe: Potato Kale Soup

Serves: 6-8

Ingredients:

1 Tbsp olive oil

1 Tbsp unsalted butter

2 cups chopped onions

2 leeks, white and light green part only, thinly sliced

6 cups of water

4 medium potatoes cut into 3/4 inch cubes

2 Tbsp minced fresh parsley

3 carrots, peeled

3 celery stalks

2 bay leaves

1 tsp salt

1/4 tsp freshly grounded pepper

¹/₂ pound of kale (about 4 cups chopped)

Directions:

1. Heat oil and butter in 7 quart soup pot over medium heat. Saute onions and leeks fro 10 to 15 minutes, until golden, soft and sweet.

2. Add the water, potatoes, parsley, whole carrots, whole celery stalks, bay leaves, salt and pepper. Bring to a boil. Reduce heat to medium low, cover and simmer for 45 minutes.

3. While soup is cooking, wash kale and strip leaves off the stalks. Discard stalks and chop leaves into bite-size pieces. Bring 2 cups of water to a boil in a 10-12 inch skillet with a tight-fitting lid. Add the kale and cook, covered, over high heat, stirring occasionally, until tender, approx 5 minutes. Remove and drain, saving the cooking water to drink.

4. Remove the carrot and celery pieces and bay leaves from the soup. Puree half the soup in a food processor or blender. Return blended portion back t pot, stir in cooked kale and heat through. Season to taste with salt and pepper.

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