

Gazpacho

Prep Time: 20 min Makes ~ 4 cups

INGREDIENTS

- 1 cucumber, diced
- 1 large tomato, diced
- 1/2 yellow onion, diced
- 1 red pepper, diced
- 1 garlic clove, minced
- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 1 tablespoon red wine vinegar
- 1 1/2 cups tomato juice or V8 juice
- 1/2 cup ice water
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon dried dill or
 1 teaspoon dried
 cilantro or basil
- Optional toppings: feta cheese, diced avocado, croutons, fresh herbs

DIRECTIONS

Start with clean hands! Wash your hands with soap and water.

- 1. Place diced cucumber, tomato, onion, pepper and garlic in a large mixing bowl, and stir.
- 2. Using a food processor or blender, put about half of the vegetable mixture into the processor and put the top on tightly. Pulse 2 or 3 times or until the ingredients are chopped up even more, but not so much that the mixture is smooth. If you don't have a food processor or blender, you can mash the mixture with a fork or potato masher.
- 3. Pour the mixture back into the bowl.
- 4. Add the olive oil, vinegar, tomato or V8 juice, water, salt and herbs to the bowl. Stir everything together.
- 5. Add desired toppings just before serving. Enjoy!

This is a great dish to make ahead! Cover and refrigerate for a few hours or overnight to allow the flavors to develop.

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Gazpacho is a cold soup made from raw blended vegetables. It was originally created in Spain. Enjoy it on a hot day!



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