## **Garden Potato Soup**

Ingredients

1 yellow onion- diced

1 stick of butter

2 celery stalks-diced

1 cup of carrots, peeled and diced

8 Idaho potatoes, peeled and diced

3 tablespoons of chicken bouillon

water (enough to cover the potatoes)

1/2 cup four

4 cups half n half (sometimes I use 2% or skim milk, whatever I have at home)

3 tablespoons fresh parsley

1 cup green beans (I cut them into quarters and blanche them before adding)

one 10 ounce bag of frozen peas

bacon- I bake it and then crumble it

shredded sharp cheddar

mushrooms- 8 ounces you can saute them separately or add them with your other veggies if you don't have an anti-mushroom crowd

salt and pepper to taste

- 1. saute onions in butter until clear
- 2. add carrots, celery, potatoes, and cover with water. Add bouillon and cook until the vegetables are soft
- 3. turn the heat down and shake the 2 cups of half and half with flour in a jar. Add it to the soup gradually.
- 4. Add the remaining 2 cups of half n half while stirring
- 5. Add the blanched green beans, peas, parsley, salt and pepper to taste
- 6. heat through
- 7. top with bacon crumbles, cheese, etc.

sometimes I add green onions for a garnish or will add zucchini when I add the green beans and peas. Really, any vegetables you like should work.

You can also use chicken stock/broth instead of the water and bouillon.

Enjoy!

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