

## **Tomato-Basil Bisque**

with Grilled Cheese Croutons and Balsamic Greens

There's nothing better than a grilled cheese sandwich dipped in warm tomato-basil bisque—especially when it's homemade! Why not cut to the chase and put your grilled cheese directly in the soup? Total game changer.



35 min



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Crushed Tomaton



Yellow Onion



Garlic



Mixed Green



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Sour Crean





Vegetable Stock Concentrate



Whole Wheat



Balsamic Vinegar

Ingredients		2 People	4 People
Crushed Tomatoes		28 oz	56 oz
Yellow Onion		1	2
Garlic		2 cloves	4 cloves
Mixed Greens		3 oz	6 oz
Basil		½ OZ	1 oz
Sour Cream	1)	2 oz	4 oz
Shredded Cheddar Cheese	1)	4 oz	8 oz
Vegetable Stock Concentrate		1	2
Whole Wheat Bread	1) 2) 3)	4 slices	8 slices
Balsamic Vinegar		1/2 T	1 T
Butter *	1)	2 T	4 T
Sugar *		2 t	4 t
Olive Oil *		1 t	2 t

*Not Included	
Allergens	
1) Milk	

## All

2) Wheat

3) Soy

## **Tools**

Large Pot, Medium Bowl, Large Pan

Nutrition per person Calories: 819 cal | Carbs: 90 g | Fat: 44 g | Protein: 25 g | Fiber: 8 g | Sodium: 1785 mg

Make sure to wash and dry produce before prepping or cooking!



- Take the **butter** out of the fridge to come to room temperature. Halve, peel, and mince the **onion**. Mince or grate the **garlic**. Finely chop the **basil leaves**, reserving a few small leaves for garnish.
- 2 Heat **1 Tablespoon butter** in a large pot over medium heat. Add the onion and garlic to the pot and cook, tossing, for 5-6 minutes, until soft and slightly caramelized. Season with salt and pepper.



- **3** Start the bisque: add the crushed tomatoes, stock concentrate, 2 teaspoons sugar, and 1½ cups water to the pot. Bring to a boil, then reduce to a simmer for 7-10 minutes. Season with salt and pepper.
- 4 Make the grilled cheese sandwiches: while the tomato bisque simmers, make the **grilled cheese sandwiches**. Divide the **cheese** between two slices of **bread** and top with the remaining two slices of **bread** to form sandwiches. Spread the outsides of both sandwiches with **1 Tablespoon butter**. Heat a large pan over low heat. Add the sandwiches to the pan and cook for 3-4 minutes per side, until golden brown and the cheese has melted.



5 Finish the bisque: remove the bisque from the heat. Stir in the **chopped basil** and **sour cream**. If you have a blender or food processor, transfer the bisque (in batches, if necessary) to the blender and pulse until almost smooth. If you don't have a blender, the bisque will be just as delicious!



- **6** Make the balsamic mixed greens: toss the mixed greens in a medium bowl with 1/2 Tablespoon balsamic and a drizzle of olive oil. Season with salt and pepper.
- Cut each grilled cheese sandwich into 9 squares. Divide the tomato bisque between bowls, then top with the grilled cheese squares. Garnish with the reserved basil leaves and serve alongside the balsamic mixed greens. Enjoy!