

Spicy butternut squash & coconut soup

This spicy butternut squash & coconut soup is a true winter warmer! Use as spicy a blend as you like to pep up the flavours - or leave it plain, it's up to you! As vegetables come in random sizes the liquid may need to be increased to get your perfect consistency. **serves 4**

- 1 butternut squash
- 1 large red pepper
- 3 medium carrots
- 1 medium onion, peeled
- 3-4 cloves garlic, peeled
- 900ml vegetable stock
- 1 tsp (or more) curry powder/garam masala (optional)
- half a block coconut cream, or a can coconut milk
- 1. Heat the oil in a large pan and gently fry the spices, if using.
- 2. Roughly chop the vegetables and place in the pan. Add the stock and bring to the boil, allowing to simmer for 40 minutes.
- 3. Let the soup cool briefly, then blend. You might want it completely smooth, you might want it lumpy.
- 4. Add the coconut block or milk and heat gently, stirring, until it is amalgamated.
- 5. Stir in some fresh coriander or parsley, and serve with bread and maybe a spoonful of yoghurt stirred in.