

Spicy Butternut Squash Sweet Potato Soup

Cozy up with a bowl of this Roasted Butternut Squash & Sweet Potato Soup—a creamy, velvety blend that's as nourishing as it is flavorful. Every spoonful is hearty yet light, comforting yet vibrant. Pair it with a crusty baguette or top it with pumpkin seeds for a touch of crunch—this soup is pure autumn comfort in a bowl.

Servings: 6

INGREDIENTS

- 1 medium butternut squash (about 2 pounds), peeled, seeded, and cubed for easier cooking
- 2 medium sweet potatoes (about 1 pound), peeled and cubed
- · 1 large onion, diced
- 3 cloves garlic, minced

- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 4 cups vegetable broth (Low-sodium if you're watching salt)
- teaspoon chili powder, adjust for your heat tolerance
- 1/2 teaspoon cayenne pepper
- 1 teaspoon ground cumin
- 1/2 cup coconut milk, full-fat for creamy richness
- Salt and pepper, to taste

INSTRUCTIONS

- Peel and dice butternut squash and sweet potatoes. Spread them on a baking sheet, drizzle
 with 1 tablespoon of olive oil, and sprinkle a pinch of salt. This pre-roasting step really adds the
 depth of flavor.
- 2. Pop the veggies into a preheated 400°F oven for about 25 minutes, or until they're fork-tender and slightly caramelized.
- 3. While the veggies roast, heat the remaining olive oil in a large pot over medium heat. Toss in the diced onion and sauté for 5 minutes until soft, then add the garlic for another minute.
- 4. Add the roasted veggies to the pot, along with the broth, chili powder, cayenne, and cumin. Bring it to a boil, then lower the heat and let it simmer for 10 minutes. Stir occasionally so nothing sticks.
- 5. Use an immersion blender to puree everything until it's silky smooth. If you don't have one, a regular blender works in batches—just be careful with the hot liquid.
- 6. Stir in the coconut milk, and season with salt and pepper to taste. Let it warm through for another 2 minutes, then serve!

SERVING SUGGESTIONS

Pair it with a crusty baguette for dipping, sprinkle on some pumpkin seeds or croutons for texture.