







## Butternut Squash Soup with Coconut Milk

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## Ingredients

- 1 2-lb butternut squash
- 4 tbsp bacon grease or olive oil
- 8 cloves garlic
- 1 tbsp dried thyme
- 1/2 tsp cinnamon
- 1/4 tsp nutmeg
- 3 cups broth (vegetable, beef or chicken)
- 11.5 oz full fat coconut milk

## Instructions

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PREP: 20M | COOK: 55M | READY IN: 1H 15M

- 1. Preheat oven to 400 degrees.
- 2. Wash and dry the butternut squash. Slice off a small portion from the bottom so it stands upright. Cut from the top down the center, making two halves. Scoop out seeds and place on a baking sheet. Brush 2 T of bacon grease or olive oil on the cut sides and season with salt and pepper.
- 3. Roast, cut side down for 40 minutes.
- Heat remaining 2 T of bacon grease or olive oil in a large saucepan over medium heat. Sauté minced garlic, cinnamon, nutmeg and thyme until fragrant. Add coconut milk and broth. Simmer but do not boil.
- 5. Scoop butternut squash from shells and add to the soup mixture. Use an immersion blender to puree until smooth.
- Serve hot with optional garnishes. (Garnish Ideas: bacon bits, croutons, green onions, sundried tomatoes, sautéed spinach, jalapenos, sour cream, crème fraiche, toasted pumpkin seeds or walnuts.)