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Spicy Italian Sausage, White Bean & Kale Soup

Serves 4-6

Ingredients:

- 1 leek, washed and sliced
- 2 tablespoon olive oil
- 2 cloves garlic, diced
- 1/8 teaspoon crushed red pepper
- 1 lb. spicy sausage, cooked in large chunks
- 6 cups chicken broth
- 1 Parmigiano Reggiano rind (optional)
- 2 cans of white beans (15 oz. each)
- 1 bunch kale, stemmed and torn

Directions:

- 1. In a large soup pot sauté the leeks in olive oil for 3-5 minutes over medium-high heat until they begin to soften. Add the garlic and crushed red pepper, and sauté for 1-2 more minutes until fragrant.
- 2. Move leeks to the sides of the pot, and add the sausage in the center. Chop and stir into large chunks, cook until browned on all sides.
- 3. Add the broth and bring to a simmer. Optionally add the *Parmigiano Reggiano* rind for extra flavor. Simmer for 15 minutes. Add the beans and continue to simmer for another 5 minutes so that the flavors meld.
- 4. Right before serving, add the kale to hot soup, stir until wilted. Serve immediately.