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Easy Cheesy Broccoli Soup

Serves 4

This soup assembles quickly and produces a savory, satisfying result. The melted sharp cheddar cheese and half-'n- half add richness, and the fresh broccoli and garnish of green onions add veggie freshness. We like pureeing half of the soup for an extra-creamy experience.

Ingredients:

1 tablespoon butter

1 tablespoon olive oil

1 small onion, diced

2 cloves garlic, minced

2 tablespoons flour

4 cups chicken broth

5 cups broccoli (about two small heads), cut into extra small florets, stems diced

1 cup half-'n-half

Pinch of nutmeg

2 teaspoons salt or to taste

1/2 teaspoon black pepper or to taste

4 oz grated sharp white cheddar cheese

(plus, extra for garnishing)

3 green onions, sliced for garnish

Directions:

- 1. In a large Dutch oven or soup pot, sauté the onion in the butter and olive oil until translucent. Add the garlic and sauté for another 2 minutes. Sprinkle with flour, stir until the aromatics are coated and sauté for another 2 minutes.
- 2. Add the chicken broth and bring to a boil.
- 3. Add the broccoli florets and boil until tender, about 15-20 minutes.
- 4. For a fully creamy texture, blend the soup in batches with a blender or use an immersion hand blender. For a half-creamy texture, blend 1/2 of the soup in a blender, and return to the soup pot.
- 5. Season the soup with the nutmeg, salt and pepper. Add the half-'n-half, and grated cheddar cheese. Stir until the cheese melts.
- 6. Garnish with additional shredded cheese and sliced green onions. Serve piping hot!