Cream of Artichoke Soup











Ingredients:

2cups 2cups 2 tbsps 1/2 cup 1 small 1 small 2 cloves 2

1/2 tbsp

4 tbsps

1cup

whole artichokes water chicken stock Seafood Stock dry vermouth potato, diced small carrot, diced onion, chopped small stalk celery, diced garlic, minced bay leaves dried marjoram heavy whipping cream grated Romano cheese salt to taste ground black pepper to taste

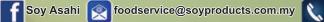
Instructions:

- 1. Steam the artichokes in 2 cups water until tender (about 45 minutes) and reserve the liquid afterwards. Allow the artichokes to cool.
- 2. Scrape the flesh from the bottom third of each leaf and place in medium soup pot along with the artichoke liquid.
- 3. Remove fuzzy choke from each artichoke bottom and discard.
- 4. Coarsely dice the artichoke bottoms and place in the soup pot. Next add chicken stock, seafood stock, vermouth, potato, carrot, onion, celery, garlic, bay leaves, and marjoram. Simmer until the vegetables are very tender and the liquid is reduced by 1/3, about 45 minutes.
- 5. Next puree the soup in a blender and return to the pot.
- 6. Add the cream and the cheese and heat through but don't boil. Add salt and pepper to taste. Serve with croutons on top.



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