# **Tomato & Basil Soup**





Preparation time 15 mins Cooking time 22 mins

#### Food Fact:-

Tomatoes contain a powerful anti oxidant called Lycopene. Scientists believe it can help prevent cell damage thereby lowering the risk of heart disease and some cancers.

Serves 4



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### 1. Finely chop the carrot ,onion and garlic.

- 2. Put the oil, onion, garlic, carrot and sugar in a large bowl. Cover and cook for 5 mins, stirring once.
- 3. Add the remaining ingredients, except the parsley and bread. Cover and cook for 15 mins, stirring occasionally.
- 4. Leave the soup to stand for 2 mins.
- 5. Puree the soup in a blender or food processor. For a really smooth soup, strain through a sieve after pureeing.
- 6. Reheat if necessary. Sprinkle with chopped parsley and serve with croutons or crusty bread.

### **Ingredients**

1 tbsp (25ml) oil

1 medium onion,

1 garlic clove

1 carrot,

1 tsp (5ml) sugar

450g (1 lb) fresh tomatoes,

chopped; or 400g can chopped tomatoes

450ml (3/4 pt) boiling stock

2 tbsp (30ml) chopped fresh basil

2 tsp (10ml) lemon juice 2 tbsp (30ml) tomato puree



