

Roasted Grape Tomato & Red Pepper Soup

The flavour bursts from the roasted tomatoes, garlic, red pepper and just-made pesto. Add in the crunch of the Good bean chickpeas (for added protein and fibre) and you've got a drool-worthy meal in a bowl. Enjoy!

Prep time: 5 minutes Cooking Time: 45 minutes **Makes:** 5 servings (about 1.5 cups each)

Ingredients:

3 containers (283 g/10 oz each) grape tomatoes, washed 2 red peppers, washed and chopped 7 cloves of garlic, peeled 3 tbsp (45 ml) extra virgin olive oil ½ tsp (2 ml) coarse sea salt 4 cups (1 l) of sodium-free chicken broth

How To Make:

- 1. Preheat oven to 400° F.
- 2. Place tomatoes, peppers and garlic into a large rimmed baking dish. Drizzle with olive oil. Sprinkle with sea salt.
- 3. Roast for about 35 to 40 minutes or just until the cherry tomatoes are splitting and the garlic is softened.
- 4. Remove from oven. Put tomatoes, peppers and garlic into a large saucepan. Add sodium-free chicken broth and whirl together with a hand blender until smooth (or transfer small batches to a blender* or food processor). Simmer over low heat until steamy.
- 5. Serve warm, garnished with generous amounts of freshly ground pepper, a drizzle of pesto and a handful of toasted chickpeas.
- * Be careful when blending hot soup in a blender be sure to use small batches only.

Yay! It's freezer-friendly! Place cooled soup into a freezer-safe container, leaving space at the top for expansion (about 1 to 2 inches. Freeze for up to 3 months. Defrost in refrigerator and warm gently in a large saucepan.

