Coconut Kabocha Soup

Serves 8

- 600 g kabocha (2 pkgs. frozen or about ½ fresh squash)
- 2 T olive oil
- 1 large yellow onion, chopped
- 1 medium apple, peeled and diced
- 100 g cooked potato, peeled
- 500 ml vegetable broth (or chicken bouillon cubes)
- 2 tsp curry powder
- 2 tsp grated fresh ginger
- Pinch nutmeg
- 1 400-ml can coconut milk
- Salt/pepper to taste



- 1. Cook **kabocha** until tender in microwave. Let cool, then cut off skin.
- 2. Heat about half the **oil** in pot. Add **onion** and sauté over **med-low heat** until golden, **about 10 minutes**.
- 3. Add **apple**, **kabocha**, **stock** and **spices**. Bring to a steady **simmer**, cover and simmer gently until apples are tender. Cool slightly before next step.
- 4. Transfer to food processor in batches. Process until smoothly puréed then transfer back to pot.

(Can use immersion blender but won't be quite as smooth)

- 5. Stir in **coconut milk** and return soup to gentle simmer. Cook over low heat for 5-10 minutes, until well heated through.
- 6. Season with **salt** and **pepper**. Flavor will improve if soup is allowed to stand off the heat for an hour or two.