Cream of Tomato Soup

Makes 7 cups

- 14 g butter
- 1 medium onion, chopped
- 1 T flour •
- 1 liter tonyu or milk

[Note: If using milk, add ¹/₂ tsp baking soda to tomatoes. This prevents milk from curdling. Also: Instead of 1 liter milk, use 240 ml vegetable/chicken stock, 237 ml heavy cream and 240 ml milk and include the liquid from the canned tomatoes]

- 1 bay leaf
- 1 T sugar
- 1¹/₂ tsp salt
- 3 C tomatoes (about 2 400 g cans or 5 whole tomatoes)
 3 T tomato paste
- Fresh basil
- 1. Melt butter in soup pot. Add onion and cook over medium heat, stirring, until onion is softened but not browned.
- 2. Sprinkle flour over butter mixture and continue to stir and cook for 1-2 minutes or until light brown.
- 3. Slowly add the tonyu, bay leaf, sugar, salt and basil and continue to cook and stir until slightly thickened.
- 4. Add the **tomatoes** and **tomato paste** to the tonyu and bring to a simmer.
- 5. Remove from heat and process in blender until smooth.



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