

## **German Cucumber and Potato Soup**

Creamy potato soup brings the herb garden right to your table

2 Tablespoons olive oil
1 medium yellow onion, minced
1 (32 ounce) container unsalted chicken broth or stock
1-1/2 pounds gold potatoes, peeled; cubed
1 to 2 cups light cream as desired
Kosher salt; freshly ground white pepper to taste
1 long seedless cucumber, peeled; seeded, diced small
1 (0.5 ounce) organic fresh baby dill, chopped
Serving: Use your favorite croutons or see attached recipe

Place olive oil in soup pot over medium heat. Add onion; cook stirring until onions soften; remove onions; set aside.

Place chicken broth or stock in same large soup pot; add potatoes; bring to a boil; cook over medium heat until potatoes are tender. Using an immersion hand blender, puree potatoes into a smooth texture leaving some larger pieces or chunks of potatoes. Add the reserved onions, cream, salt, white pepper, and cucumbers; bring to a boil; Reduce heat to low; simmer for 10 minutes.

Add fresh dill; cook for 3 minutes. Serve hot with your favorite croutons. Serves: 4 to 6

## **Oven Crisp Croutons:**

4 cups crustless bread cubes2 Tablespoons oil2 Tablespoon melted butterSalt to taste

Preheat oven to 350 degrees F. Line baking sheet with aluminum foil. Place bread cubes in large bowl. Combine oil and melted butter; pour over bread cubes; toss to evenly coat bread.

Place bread cubes in even layer in baking sheet.

Bake for 15 minutes or lightly browned; remove from oven; cool.

Serve croutons with soup.

Note: If using stale bread for bread cubes, make sure to remove the crusts and cut into small cubes. You can also use onion and garlic bread slices.

**Recipe Inspired by**: Chef Stephen Lee from Herbs of the Danube, <u>www.herbmeister.com</u>

**About the Recipe:** This delightful soup brings the herb garden right to your table. Tender potatoes combine with crisp bits of cucumber in a creamy dill flavored soup, topped with oven crisp croutons.