MOROCCAN HAZELNUT AND CARROT SOUP

SERVES: 6

INGREDIENTS

2 pounds carrots, peeled and chopped

1/2 cup whole hazelnuts

1 large onion, chopped

3 garlic cloves, minced

2 tablespoons olive oil

1 tablespoon ground cumin

1 teaspoon ground coriander

1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon

1/4 teaspoon ground turmeric

1/4 teaspoon cayenne pepper

4 cups vegetable broth

1 can coconut milk

2 tablespoons honey

Fresh cilantro for garnish

Yogurt for serving

METHOD

- 1. Heat olive oil in a large pot over medium heat.
- 2. Sauté chopped onions for 4-5 minutes until soft and translucent.
- 3. Add minced garlic and all ground spices, cooking for 1 minute until fragrant.
- 4. Add chopped carrots and toast spices for an additional 2 minutes.
- 5. Pour in vegetable broth and bring to a boil.
- 6. Reduce heat and simmer for 20-25 minutes until carrots are very tender.
- 7. Toast hazelnuts in a dry skillet until golden and fragrant.
- 8. Remove soup from heat and use an immersion blender to puree until smooth.
- 9. Stir in coconut milk and honey.
- 10. Roughly chop toasted hazelnuts.
- 11. Season soup with additional salt if needed.
- 12. Serve hot, garnished with chopped hazelnuts and fresh cilantro.
- 13. Add a dollop of yogurt just before serving.