Borscht

Ingredients

½ tbsp olive oil

2 cloves garlic minced

2 leeks cut small

2 stalks celery diced

2 carrots diced

2 medium potatoes diced

4 medium beetroots - 2 diced small and 2 grated

1 cup cooked lentils

2 tsp herb salt

8 cups water

400g tomatoes blended in a blender

1/4 cup finely chopped dill

1 tsp caraway seeds

12 crimini mushrooms cut into 6 to 8 pieces

1 cup chard or collard greens shredded

Salt and pepper to taste

Tofu Cream Ingredients

100g silken tofu 2 tsp nutritional yeast Salt to taste 1 to 2 tbsp lemon juice

Method

- 1. For the tofu cream place everything in the blender until all combined and smooth.
- 2. In a saucepan place the olive oil, garlic, leek, celery, caraway seeds, herb salt and a sprinkling of salt and a generous amount of pepper and fry for a few minutes.
- 3. Add the water, blended tomato and diced beetroot and cook for 3 minutes. Next add the carrot, potato and dill and cook for 3 minutes. Then add the mushrooms and cook for 5 minutes.
- 4. Season with salt then let cool a little and blend half of the soup. Place it back in the saucepan with the remaining half and add the grated beetroot and shredded chard or collard greens and cook for 5 minutes. Serve with the tofu cream.

