Butternut Squash Soup

Prep: 10 min Cook: 20 min Serves: 4

Ingredients:

- 2 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil
- 1 large butternut squash (about 3 pounds), peeled, seeded and diced ½-inch
- · 2 garlic cloves, minced
- 4 cups homemade vegetable stock
- ½ cup heavy cream
- 2 tablespoons pure maple syrup
- ½ teaspoon kosher salt
- Chopped fresh parsley (for garnish)

Directions:

- 1. Heat the oil in a large saucepan over medium heat. Sauté the butternut squash for 15 minutes, until tender and lightly browned. Add garlic and continue to sauté for 1 minute.
- 2. Add vegetable stock and bring to a boil. Stir in heavy cream, maple syrup and salt to combine. Simmer for 3 to 4 minutes.
- 3. Use a handheld blender to purée, or carefully purée in a blender until smooth.
- 4. Serve in bowls and garnish with chopped parsley and a drizzle of cream.

