## **Minestrone Primavera**



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Serves 6

## Prep Time: 10 minutes Cook Time: 20 minutes

## Ingredients

- \_\_2 Tbsp of Olive oil
- \_\_\_1 Bunch (about 5 or 6) Green Onions, white and light green parts only, chopped
- \_\_1 Large Carrot, peeled and diced
- \_\_\_\_2 Stalks of Celery, diced
- \_\_\_\_1 Bunch of Asparagus, trimmed and chopped
- \_\_\_2 Zucchini, diced
- \_\_1 14oz can of Cannelini Beans, drained and rinsed
- \_\_1 cup of White Wine
- \_\_1 3 Piece of Parmiggiano Rind or just
- freshly grated Parmiggiano Reggiano \_\_\_3 cups of Baby Spinach, washed, dried and roughly chopped
- \_\_¼ cup of Pesto
- \_\_\_6 cups of Chicken Stock or Vegetable Stock
- \_\_1/2 cup of Frozen Peas, defrosted
- \_\_1 cup of Cheese and Spinach Tortellini or
- any other dried pasta
- \_\_Salt and Pepper, to taste

1) In a large soup pot, add the oil and preheat it over medium heat.

2) Add the green onions, carrot and celery and let them get nice and translucent, about 5 minutes.

3) Add the wine and allow it to cook out for about a minute.

4) Add the stock along with the cannelini beans and parmesan rind and bring to a boil.

5) Add the chopped zucchini and asparagus and cook for about 10 minutes.

6) Add the tortellini and cook them until cooked through, about 7 or 8 minutes. Add the spinach, peas and pesto and cook for 1 more minute.

7) Season with salt and pepper to taste and serve immediately!

