



Bush's® Red, White and Bean Minestrone

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| 1 tablespoon extra virgin olive oil | 5 cups chicken stock |
| 1 cup Italian turkey sausage, cut into small pieces | 1 can (15.5 oz.) BUSH'S® Cannellini Beans with liquid |
| 2 tablespoons tomato paste | 1 can (16 oz.) BUSH'S® Red Kidney Beans, drained |
| 1 cup chopped onion | 2 cups zucchini cut into 1/2 inch pieces |
| 1 cup chopped celery | 2 cups baby spinach |
| 2 tablespoons minced garlic | 1 cup cooked bowtie pasta |
| 1 cup chopped carrots | 2 tablespoons pre-packaged pesto |
| 1 teaspoon dried oregano | 2 tablespoons fresh grated Parmesan cheese |
| 1 can (16 oz.) chopped canned tomatoes | |

1. Heat olive oil over medium heat in a medium sauté pan. Add sausage, brown well.
2. Add tomato paste, cook 5 minutes until brown.
3. Add onions, celery, garlic, carrots and oregano. Cook until garlic is aromatic, approx. 5 minutes.
4. Pour into a 4-quart slow cooker. Add tomatoes and chicken stock.
5. Cook on low setting for 6-7 hours or until the vegetables are tender.
6. Stir in beans, zucchini, spinach and cooked pasta. Cook on high setting for 8 minutes or until beans and pasta are warmed through and spinach has wilted.
7. Pour the soup into bowls. Top with a little pesto and fresh grated Parmesan cheese.

Super in soups.