CopyCat Panera Bread Creamy Tomato Bisque Soup

Ingredients

- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 4 garlic cloves, minced
- 1 large yellow onion, sliced
- 2 (28 oz) cans peeled tomatoes
- 1 cup chicken stock (or vegetable stock)
- 2 tablespoons sugar
- ½ cup half and half
- 8 large fresh basil leaves, roughly chopped
- teaspoon dried oregano

kosher salt and freshly ground black pepper, to taste

Directions

In a heavy bottomed pot (or dutch oven), heat olive oil over medium-high heat. Add garlic and saute for 30 seconds — until fragrant. Add onion and cook, stirring as needed, until translucent — about 8 minutes.

Add peeled tomatoes (with juice), chicken stock, and sugar. Bring to a low simmer. Cook uncovered, for 12 minutes or until it has thickened.

Add the half and half, basil, oregano and season to taste with salt and pepper.

Using an immersion blender (or carefully transfer soup to a blender), puree soup until there are no large chunks left.