

Egg Thread Soup with Asparagus

By: Marie Simmons Adapted by; Bob and Robin Young 8 servings Serving size: about 1 cup

Stirring eggs into simmering stock is a classic technique for adding nourishment and body to soup.

Asparagus gives it a mild, sweet flavor and a bit of texture. Serve this quick soup with Parmesan Crisps or sprinkle with grated Parmesan.

Ingredients:

8 c homemade Chicken Stock, fat skimmed, or Reduced-Sodium Chicken Stock

 $\frac{1}{2}$ c Pastina, or other tiny pasta, such as Alphabet or Stars (We used broken thin spaghetti)

12 oz Asparagus, trimmed and cut into $1\frac{1}{2}$ -inch diagonal pieces (2 cups)

- 4 lg Eggs
- $\frac{1}{2}$ † fresh Lemon Juice
- $\frac{1}{4}$ + Sea Salt, optional

Directions:

Bring chicken stock to a boil in a Dutch oven or soup pot. Stir in pasta. Cook, uncovered, over medium-high heat, stirring occasionally, until pasta is just tender, about 5 minutes. Stir in asparagus; cook for 2 minutes. Reduce heat to medium.

Break eggs into a large measuring cup and whisk until well blended. Add to the gently boiling soup in a thin, steady stream, stirring constantly with a fork. (Slow stirring will produce large threads; rapid stirring will break the threads up into small pieces.) Remove from heat and stir in lemon juice.

Taste, adding salt if desired.

Nutrition information

Per serving: 173 calories; 8.0 g fat(3.0 g sat); 1.0 g fiber; 11.0 g Carbohydrates; 16.0 g protein; 78.0 mcg folate; 106 mg cholesterol; 2.0 g sugars; 533.0 IU vitamin A; 4.0 mg vitamin C; 275.0 mg calcium; 1.0 mg iron; 981 mg sodium; 343.0 mg potassium Nutrition Bonus: Calcium (28% daily value), Folate (20% dv)