RATATOUILLE

There are so many different ways to make Ratatouille, that the exact amounts of each vegetable isn't important. It is basically a French vegetable stew that puts to use all the wonderful summer vegetables that are being harvested.



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Ingredients

Avocado or Organic unrefined Coconut Oil Pink Himalayan salt, to taste Crushed red pepper, to taste or optional 1 large onion, -small dice 4 cloves garlic, finely chopped 3-4 sprigs fresh thyme 3 large tomatoes - medium dice 1 red pepper, seeded – medium dice 1 medium eggplant – medium dice 2 small summer squash – medium dice 2 small zucchini – medium dice 6 large fresh basil leaves, rolled and cut into ribbons

Instructions

Bring a large pan to medium heat, adding a couple of Tbs. of oil and the onions. Sauté 5-7 minutes until soft. Add the garlic and cook for 2-3 minutes. You don't want them to brown, but to soften.

Add in the tomatoes, ½ cup of filtered water, thyme and crushed red pepper (to taste) and season with salt. Cook until the tomatoes have broken down, about 15-20 minutes.

Add the peppers, cooking for 5 minutes. Then add the eggplant, summer squash and zucchini. Season again with salt and cook 15-20 minutes, or until soft.

When finished cooking, stir in the fresh basil and voila!