

DC Central Kitchen's Cold Green Pea And Lettuce Soup With Mint Pesto





INGREDIENTS

8 ounces butter

10 green onions, chopped

2 pounds fresh or frozen green peas

3 heads bibb lettuce, coarsely chopped

4 cups vegetable broth

2 cups whole milk

2 cups heavy cream

1 tablespoon sugar

Salt, to taste

White pepper, to taste

DIRECTIONS

- 1. Heat butter in large pot. Add onions and sauté until tender.
- 2. Add peas and lettuce. Stir to coat with butter.
- 3. Add broth. Bring to a boil.
- 4. Reduce heat and simmer about 15 minutes.
- 5. Remove soup from heat.
- 6. Puree in batches in processor, slowly adding milk, cream and sugar.
- 7. Remove, season to taste with salt and white pepper.
- 8. Refrigerate until chilled.
- 9. Serve with Mint Pesto garnish.

Mint Pesto

INGREDIENTS

8 tablespoons olive oil

½ cup pine nuts

¾ cup fresh Parmesan cheese, grated

1 cup fresh mint leaves

DIRECTIONS

- 1. Put all ingredients in food processor and process until smooth.
- 2. Serve as garnish with Cold Green Pea and Lettuce Soup.

