## Orange-Spiced Carrot Soup\*

A warm and comforting carrot soup with a hint of orange and spices, perfect for a cozy meal.

**PREP TIME:** 15 minutes **TOTAL TIME:** 45 minutes

**COOK TIME:** 30 minutes

1 t Orange Extract

2 lb Carrots (peeled and chopped) 1 T Rooibos Orange Tea (ground)

1 lg Onion (diced) 1 t Ground Cumin

3 cloves Garlic (minced)
1 t Ground Coriander
1 T Olive Oil
Salt and Pepper to taste

4 C Vegetable Broth 1/4 C Coconut Milk (for garnish)

1 C Orange Juice 2 T Fresh Cilantro (chopped, for garnish)

**PREPARE THE VEGETABLES:** In a large pot, heat the olive oil over medium heat. Add the onion and garlic, sautéing until translucent. Add the carrots and cook for an additional 5 minutes.

**ADD THE LIQUID:** Stir in the vegetable broth, orange juice, orange extract, ground Rooibos Orange Tea, ground cumin, ground coriander, salt, and pepper. Bring to a boil, then reduce the heat and let it simmer for about 20-25 minutes, or until the carrots are tender.

**BLEND THE SOUP:** Use an immersion blender to pure the soup until smooth. Alternatively, transfer the soup to a blender and blend in batches.

**SERVE:** Ladle the soup into bowls and garnish with a drizzle of coconut milk and chopped cilantro.

**NOTE:** This orange-spiced carrot soup can be stored in the refrigerator for up to 5 days or frozen for up to 3 months.