Earl Grey Lavender Hot Chocolate

A sophisticated hot chocolate with the floral notes of Earl Grey and lavender.

2 C whole milk bags for easy removal

1/2 C heavy cream 4 oz dark chocolate, chopped

1/4 C granulated sugar 1 t vanilla extract

1/4 C unsweetened cocoa powder Whipped cream and lavender buds for

1 t Earl Grey Lavender tea leaves, in tea garnish

HEAT THE MILK AND CREAM: In a medium saucepan, combine the milk and heavy cream. Heat over medium heat until just simmering.

STEEP THE TEA: Add the Earl Grey Lavender tea bags and let it steep for 5 minutes. Remove the tea bags and discard.

MIX IN THE DRY INGREDIENTS: Whisk in the sugar and cocoa powder until smooth.

ADD THE CHOCOLATE: Stir in the chopped dark chocolate until melted and smooth.

FINISH WITH VANILLA: Remove from heat and stir in the vanilla extract.

SERVE: Pour into mugs and top with whipped cream and lavender buds.