## CHILLED and DILLED AVGOLEMONO SOUP

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## Prepared at Trailside

Made this great chilled soup for a family gathering – nothing was left... ©

Because it was a large crowd, I increased the quantity by 4 times and it held to the original.

It is a bit messy to do but it is quintessentially summer with great memories of Greece.

YIELD: 4 servings

ACTIVE TIME: 45 minutes TOTAL TIME: 1- 1/4 hour

4 cups chicken stock

1/4 cup medium-or long-grain white rice

2 large eggs

3 tablespoons fresh lemon juice

1 scallion, thinly sliced

2 tablespoons chopped dill

Simmer the stock and rice in a heavy medium saucepan, covered, until the rice is very tender (30 minutes).

Purée the mixture in a blender (Note: *I used a food processor*) (*Use great caution when blending hot liquids*).

Whisk the eggs together in a medium bowl.

Gradually whisk the hot stock mixture into the whisked eggs.

Return the stock to the saucepan and cook over medium heat, stirring constantly with a wooden spoon, until the soup registers 170° on an instantread thermometer.

Strain the soup through a fine-mesh sieve into a metal bowl.

Stir in the lemon juice, then quick-chill in an ice bath, stirring occasionally, until cold.

Stir in the scallion, dill, and salt and pepper to taste.

DO AHEAD: Soup can be made 2 days ahead and chilled.