## **Asparagus Leek Soup with Parmesan**

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Enjoy a spring soup that's full of gentle, sweet vegetables and just a touch of savory cheese.

## Ingredients:

2 tablespoons butter

3 cups chopped leeks

3 cloves garlic, chopped

1 teaspoon dried thyme

½ teaspoon onion powder

5 cups chicken broth

3 cups peeled chopped gold potatoes

3 cups chopped asparagus

1/4 cup grated Parmesan cheese

Sea salt and black pepper, to taste

3 chives, chopped, for garnish

## **Directions:**

- 1) Melt butter in a large pot over medium. Add leeks, garlic, thyme, and onion powder; cook until softened, stirring, about 4 minutes.
- 2) Add broth, potatoes, and asparagus; bring to a boil over high heat. Reduce to a simmer and cook until potatoes are very soft, about 30 minutes.
- 3) Working in batches, puree soup in a food processor until smooth. Transfer back to pot; add cheese and seasonings to taste. Cook over low until cheese is melted, stirring, about 2 minutes.
- 4) Ladle into serving bowls; top with chives and serve.