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Cream of Asparagus Soup

PREPARATION

- 1 Cut aparagus stalks into 1/2-inch pieces.
- 2 Cook onion in 2 tablespoons olive oil in a heavy pot over moderately low heat, stirring, until softened. Add garlic and simmer another minute. Add asparagus pieces and salt and pepper to taste and simmer, stirring, for 5 minutes. Next, add 5 cups broth and simmer, covered, until asparagus is very tender, about 15 to 20 minutes.
- 3- Purée soup in batches in a blender until smooth, transferring to a bowl, and return to pot. Stir in crème fraîche, then add more broth to thin soup to desired consistency. Season with salt and pepper. Bring soup to a boil and whisk in butter.
- 4 Add lemon juice and serve.



INGREDIENTS

2 pounds green asparagus

1 large onion, chopped

1 clove of garlic, minced

2 tablespoons GC Farms' extra virgin olive oil

1 tablespoon unsalted butter

5 to 6 cups chicken broth

1/2 cup crème fraîche

1/4 teaspoon fresh lemon juice

COOK'S NOTE:

Fresh asparagus is a sure sign of spring. This delicious, easy to make asparagus soup is not only savory, but also fresh with the hint of lemon -- a perfect accompaniment to Easter dinner.

Bon Apetit!
-George