## **Garden Vegetable Chowder**

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## Ingredients

- 1/2 Medium Yellow Onion, Diced
- 3 Medium Carrots. Diced
- 8 oz. Cremini or Button Mushrooms, Sliced
- 2 Cups Cauliflower Florets
- 3 Cups Broccoli Florets
- 3 TBSP Butter, Divided
- 1 TBSP Olive Oil
- 4 TBSP All Purpose Flour
- 6 Cups Chicken Broth
- 1 Cup Half and Half or Milk
- 1 tsp Salt
- 1/2 tsp Pepper
- Parsley, Chopped

## **Directions**

- 1. In a large heavy bottomed pot saute onion and carrots with 2 tablespoons and 1 tablespoon of olive oil over medium high heat. Cook for about 3 minutes until onions are just translucent.
- 2. Add in mushrooms and cook for 2 minutes, stirring frequently.
- 3. Season with half of the salt and pepper.
- 4. Add in remaining butter and 4 tablespoons of flour. Immediately whisk together and stir for about one minute.
- 5. Slowly stir in about 2 cups of broth and whisk together until smooth. Slowly pour in remaining broth and stir while adding. Soup should be slightly thickened.
- 6. Let the soup come to a boil and add in broccoli and cauliflower.
- 7. Boil for 1 minute and reduce heat to a simmer. Cook for 10 minutes.
- 8. Check seasonings and add more salt and pepper if needed.
- 9. Last, pour in half and half and stir until combined.
- 10. Serve hot and garnish with chopped parsley.