## **Vegetable Orzo Soup**

This vegetable soup is easy to make and tastes great! Orzo may look like rice, but is a small piece of pasta. You will find it in the pasta aisle in the supermarket.

Serves: 6

Serving size: about 1 ½ cups

1 tbsp olive oil

¼ cup diced celery

½ cup diced onion

¼ cup diced carrots

One 14.5 ounce can diced tomatoes, no salt added

4 cups low sodium chicken broth

1 cup chopped zucchini

1 cup sliced mushrooms

2 cloves garlic, minced

½ cup orzo

1 tsp Italian seasoning

½ tsp salt

¼ tsp black pepper



## **Directions:**

- 1. In a large stockpot over medium heat, add the olive oil. When heated add celery, onion, and carrot. Cook for 10 minutes stirring occasionally.
- 2. Add the tomatoes with their liquid, broth, zucchini, mushrooms, garlic, orzo, Italian seasoning, salt and pepper. Bring to gentle boil and cook for 25 minutes, stirring occasionally.

Per serving: 120 calories, 6g protein, 3g fat (0g saturated), 0mg cholesterol, 19g carbohydrate, 2g fiber, 5g sugar, 490mg sodium

%DV: vitamin A 25%, vitamin C 30%, calcium 4%, iron 8%

Recipe adapted from "The Everything Easy Mediterranean Cookbook"

