Tomato Juice-Homemade

#### This recipe makes about 12 cups



# Ingredients

30 medium-sized tomatoes
1½ cups green or sweet peppers
1 cup carrots
½ cup celery
1 onion
2-3 cloves garlic, minced
¼ cup fresh or freeze-dried parsley
1 jalapeño
¼ cup sugar
¼ cup lemon juice
1½ tbsp salt
1 tbsp Worcestershire sauce

### **Directions**:

- 1. Quarter the tomatoes, chop the peppers, carrots, celery and onion
- 2. In a large pot, add the quartered tomatoes.
- 3. Stir in the peppers, carrots, celery, onion, garlic, parsley, and jalapeño.
- 4. Cook over medium heat for 30-45 minutes, stirring occasionally, until the vegetables are soft and the tomatoes have released their juices.
- 5. Remove the pot from heat and let it cool slightly
- 6. Transfer the mixture to a blender or food processor in batches and blend until smooth
- 7. Return the blended mixture to the pot
- 8. Add the sugar, lemon juice, salt, and Worcestershire sauce to the pot
- 9. Stir well to combine all the flavors
- 10. Bring the sauce back to a gentle boil over medium heat
- 11. Simmer for an additional 10 minutes, stirring occasionally to prevent sticking
- 12. Add parchment paper to your tray
- 13. Spread the tomato juice evenly on your tray-add lids for easier carrying
- 14. Pre Freeze when possible
- 15. Freeze dry (my cycle time was 47 hours)
- 16. Store in jars for short-term use or in mylar bags for long-term storage

### **Rehydration**:

Add 1 cup of tomato juice powder to 3 cups of cold water. Stir, shake or blend to mix. Enjoy

### Notes:

This juice is perfect to make a bloody mary

## Nutritional Value Per 1 cup of tomato juice before freeze drying

Calories 87 Carbohydrates 21 g Protein 3 g Fat 1 g Fiber 5 g Sugar 13 g

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