Chilled Fennel-Grapefruit Velouté with Lemon Olive Oil

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Prep Cook Total 10 min 1 hr 50 min 2 hr

Yield: Serves: 4

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Lemon olive oil is delicious and fairly easy to find in the US. The

citrus oil is used in two different ways: for sautéing fennel before pureeing it with grapefruit juice, and for garnishing the soup before serving.

Nice amount of potassium and vitamin C.

Ingredients

2 tablespoons lemon olive oil (see Note) plus more for garnish

1 **1-pound fennel bulb** cored and thinly sliced, plus chopped fennel fronds, for garnish

Salt

3 cups water

 $\frac{1}{4}$ cup plus 2 tablespoons fresh grapefruit juice strained

Pinch sugar

Directions

In a medium saucepan, heat the 2 tablespoons of lemon olive oil. Add the sliced fennel and a pinch of salt, cover and cook over moderately low heat, stirring a few times, until the fennel is softened, about 10 minutes.

Add the water and bring to a boil. Simmer over low heat until the fennel is very tender, about 20 minutes. Working in batches, puree the fennel soup in a blender until smooth.

Transfer the soup to a medium bowl and refrigerate until chilled, about 1 hour. Stir the grapefruit juice into the fennel soup. Add the sugar to the soup and season with salt. Ladle the soup into bowls, garnish with a little lemon olive oil and chopped fennel fronds and serve.

Nutritional Information

Amount Per Serving (4 Servings)

Calories: 134 Protein: 2 q Sugar: 7 q Carbohydrate: 10 q Fat: 10 q Cholesterol: 0 mg Sodium: 212 mg Fiber: 4 q

