



## **Ingredients:**

- ½ cup olive oil
- 3 shallots chopped
- 4 cloves garlic minced
- 2 large carrots chopped
- 3 stalks celery diced
- 1 TBLS tomato paste
- 17 oz cannellini beans canned, drained and rinsed
- 1 1/4 cups vegetable broth
- ½ tsp salt
- ½ tsp pepper
- 1 tsp Italian seasoning
- 1 tsp red pepper flakes
- 4 ounces kale or baby spinach

## Method:

- 1. Heat olive oil in a large pot and place over medium-high heat.
- 2. Sauté onion and garlic for 3 minutes then add carrots and celery stalks and sauté until the vegetables start getting soft.
- 3. Add tomato paste, quickly stir, and add beans, soup, and spices. Bring the soup to a boil, and then reduce the heat to low. Cover and simmer for another 10-15 minutes.
- 4. Using a hand mixer, blitz half of the soup in the pot, so it becomes creamier, careful not to blend everything.
- 5. Add spinach or kale and cook for several more minutes, until it wilts.