

Asparagus Soup

Ingredients:

1 Bunch Asparagus, blanched (blanching water reserved)

1 T. Oil (rice bran, safflower, avocado or other high-heat oil)

3 Shallots, sliced

4 Garlic cloves, chopped

½ cup White Wine

1/2 cup Half and Half

Salt and Pepper to taste

Method:

- Cut off asparagus tips and reserve for garnishing.
- Place asparagus stems in blender with 2 cups of the blanching water and puree until smooth.
- Saute shallots and garlic in oil for 5 to 6 minutes and add wine.
- Reduce wine by half and add shallots, garlic and wine to blender. Pulse to combine.
- Add half and half and adjust seasonings.
- 6. Return to pan and bring to a simmer.
- 7. Serve hot with asparagus tips.