Squash Soup with Farmer's Dust for warm feeling on cool eve

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on cookie sheet or broiler pan--2 to 4 T olive oil to toss to moisten 8 cups or more of butternut squash cubed 3/4" pieces 3 cloves garlic peeled (or from jar similar amt.) 2 med onions cubed 2 med carrots chunked

Roast 400* about 40 minutes until all veggies are softened and a bit brown--stir 2-3 times as you roast. Cool 10-15 minutes and discard anything crisp/burnt.

In blender place chicken broth* or vegetable broth in small quantities just enough to puree roasted vegetables...Start with 2/12 cups but add more as needed to keep the puree thick. * I use Better than Bouillon base diluted.

Prepare seasoning: Farmer's Dust

In coffee grinder this becomes a fine power and can be stored for months

1 t basil

- 1 T garlic powder
- 1 T onion powder
- 1 1/2 t oregano
- 1 t rosemary
- 1 t thyme
- 1 T black pepper
- 4 T salt

This mix is from dry spices...it is potent. I only use it by the teaspoonful.

Add 1 teaspoon at a time to your puree as you further dilute with more broth or milk or cream to the consistency of your choice as you serve.

The soup holds well before adding milk products. I make a large batch and freeze.