## CHICKEN NOODLE SOUP

Serves: 6 to 8

## **Ingredients**

- 2 Tablespoons olive oil
- 1 white onion, chopped
- 4 medium carrots, chopped
- 4 celery stalks, chopped
- 4 cloves of garlic, minced
- Rotisserie chicken OR ½ pound boneless skinless chicken \*
- 8 cups chicken or vegetable broth (plus more if you prefer)
- 1½ cups dry orzo pasta (or other short pasta)
- 2 lemons, freshly squeezed
- 2 Tablespoons parsley, chopped

## **Vegetarian option:**

Replace chicken with two eggs. Crack eggs into a cup or bowl, whisk. Using a large spoon, stir the soup in a large circle; slowly pour in eggs, which will quickly cook and form ribbons.

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- In a large stock pot, add chopped onion, carrots, and celery along with 2 Tablespoons olive oil.
  Saute for 5 minutes over medium heat.
- 2. Add minced garlic and saute for 2 minutes.
- 3. Add broth and dry pasta. Bring soup to a boil.
- 4. If using <u>uncooked chicken</u>, cut it into large chunks, and place in boiling broth with pasta. When it is cooked through (about 4 minutes), remove the chicken to a cutting board. Using a knife and fork, or two forks, shred chicken and return to pot.
- 5. If using <u>rotisserie chicken</u>, remove meat from chicken until you have about 1 ½ cups. Tear or shred chicken into bite size pieces. Add to soup, and simmer for 10-15 minutes or until the pasta is fully cooked.
- 6. Remove from heat.
- 7. Add in lemon juice and parsley. Serve hot.

