Butternut Squash Soup

Ingredients

- 1 Onion (chopped)
- 1 Carrot
- 1 Butternut Squash (seeded,
- 1 Granny Smith Apple (peeled,
- 3 c Chicken Broth
- 0 pn Nutmeg
- 0 pn Cayanne
- 0 ds Ground Black Pepper chopped)

- 1 Celery Stalk (chopped)
- 2 T Unsalted Butter
- peeled, chopped) cored, chopped)
- 1 c Water
- 0 pn Cinnamon
- 2 t Salt
- 5 Thyme Sprigs (stripped and

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- 1.Heat a large thick-bottomed pot on medium-high heat. Melt the butter in the pot and let it foam up and recede. Add the onion, carrot, and celery and sauté for 5 minutes. Lower the heat if the vegetables begin to brown.
- 2.Add the butternut squash, apple, thyme, broth, and water. Bring to boil. Reduce to a simmer, cover, and simmer for 30 minutes or so, until the squash and carrots have softened.
- 3.Use an immersion blender to purée the soup. Add pinches of nutmeg, cinnamon, and cayenne. Add salt and pepper to taste. Garnish with chopped parsley or chives and a dollop of sour cream, if desired.