

# Midwest Creamy Zuppa

*Prep time: 15 minutes*  
*Total time: 45 minutes*

*Cook time: 30 minutes*  
*Serves: 4-6*

## Ingredients

- 1 package Beelers mild Italian sausage\*
- 4 slices Beelers bacon\*
- 4-5 shishito peppers\*\*
- 1 medium onion\*\*
- 2 cloves garlic\*\*
- 1 tsp salt
- 1 tsp red pepper flakes (optional)
- 6 cups water
- 4-6 tennis ball-sized potatoes\*\*
- 1 cup Hansen's Dairy heavy cream
- 1-2 large kale leaves
- Rustic Hearth Wheat Sourdough Bread\*

\* Items that can be purchased at Hansen's Dairy stores

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## Directions

- Cut sausage & bacon into 1-inch chunks and place in large pot.
- Cook on medium heat for 10-15 minutes, stirring occasionally.
- While meat is cooking, dice onion, garlic & peppers and add to meat.
- While meat & vegetables are cooking, thinly slice potatoes and add to pot along with water, salt & pepper flakes.
- Cover & bring to a boil.
- While waiting for soup to boil, cut kale into 1-2 inch chunks, removing the large stem.
- Add to soup & continue cooking until potatoes are soft.
- Remove from heat & slowly stir in heavy cream.
- Slice bread into chunks for dipping.

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