## **Cream of Tomato Soup**

Serves 4

Ingredients:

4 large or 8 small tomatoes	$1\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoons dried Tarragon
<sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> cup butter	or
<sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> cup hot water (omit)	1 tablespoon fresh, chopped Tarragon
2 cups milk	1 clove garlic
2 cups 1/2&1/2	salt & pepper

Peel tomatoes. Quarter, squeeze out seeds & juice and discard them. Simmer the tomatoes, in the butter, in a covered pan until tender & thickened, ~20 minutes. Put through a sieve or purée in a blender & add the rest of the ingredients. Note: the garlic clove can be cut in half & fished out later or squeezed in a garlic press. However, it is better to fish out the halves. Heat, stirring constantly, until slightly thickened.