Print IP Roasted Tomato Soup

The "Soup" setting is fantastic when it comes to making this tomato soup, ten minutes of pressure cooking and another 10 for a natural release, and a quick whiz with an immersion blender...soup's on!

Have ready the following ingredients:

at least 1/4 cup of olive oil to drizzle over tomatoes before roasting

3 pounds ripe plum tomatoes, cut in half lengthwise

2 tablespoons tomato paste, roasted or plain

1 small bag of sun-dried tomatoes rough chopped (2.5-3 ounces)

3 teaspoons sea salt or kosher salt

1 large Vidalia onion, diced or 2 large shallots- quartered

a tablespoon or two of butter

1/4 teaspoon crushed red pepper flakes

1 (28-ounce) canned plum tomatoes, with their juice

a handful of fresh basil leaves or more if you like

3 small sprigs of thyme, leaves only

2 pods condensed chicken stock or 1 pod of beef and 1 pod of chicken stock

Lightly oil a large sheet pan, place tomatoes cut side up on the pan along with the cloves of garlic and shallots and drizzle with some of the EVOO over, lightly salt, roast in preheated 4250 for 15 minutes, rotate sheet pan and roast another 15 minutes or until you see a little char on the tomatoes. Set your IP to sauté, add the olive oil, butter, onions or shallots all of the herbs, spices, stock pods and water. Strain the porcini water add to the pot with the chopped mushrooms all of your tomato products including the roasted tomatoes and peeled garlic cloves. I like to heat everything up then set the IP to "soup", valved closed and set for 1-15 minutes. If you heat up the soup ingredients before setting the pressure it cuts back on the time that it takes to bring up the pressure...time saver. If you don't heat soup before it will probably take another 10 minutes to come up to pressure.

Allow the IP to release pressure naturally/10 minutes, when ready whiz the soup with an immersion blender on low until puréed. Serve hot with any garnishes that you like with your soup or nothing at all except a dunk-able grilled cheese sandwich.