Italian Wedding Soup

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Ingredients:

- 1 lb ground beef
- 1 c Progresso Italian Style Bread Crumbs
- ½ c Parmesan Cheese
- 2 eggs beaten lightly
- ½ c water
- 7 cups chicken broth
- 1 c finely chopped onion
- 1 c finely chopped carrot
- 1 10z frozen chopped spinach
- 1 t crushed oregano
- ¼ c fresh parsley
- 1 box small soup pasta (like acini-di-pepe)

Directions:

- 1. Combine beef, bread crumbs, cheese, eggs and water. Shape into 1 inch balls, set aside.
- 2. In a large saucepot combine chicken broth, onion, carrots. Bring to a boil.
- 3. Reduce heat and simmer covered, for 10 minutes.
- 4. Stir in spinach and oregano
- 5. Return to a boil.
- 6. Add meatballs, reduce heat and simmer, covered until meatballs are cooked, about 10 minutes
- 7. Simultaneously cook pasta in separate pot to al dente. Reserve $\frac{1}{2}$ cup of pasta water to add to soup.
- 8. Serve with garnish of parmesan and parsley if desired.