Tomato and Pepper Bruschetta

What You'll Need

- > 1 lb of Sweetpops tomatoes, quartered
- > 1 average-sized yellow pepper, diced small
- > 6-8 Fresh basil leaves roughly chopped
- > Fresh baguette, French bread, or Italian bread cut into $\ensuremath{\mathcal{V}}_2$ inch slices
- > 2 cloves of garlic whole for rubbing the toast
- > 1 clove of garlic, minced for marinating the tomatoes
- > Salt and pepper to taste
- > ¼ cup olive oil
- > ¼ cup balsamic glaze (balsamic vinegar)
- > Optional: parmesan cheese



Directions

- 1. In a large mixing bowl, mix chopped tomatoes, peppers, minced garlic, salt and pepper, and half of the chopped basil. Once evenly mixed, set aside. (Tip: The mixture can be made immediately or marinated 1 hour prior.)
- 2. Set sliced bread in the oven under a medium-hot broiler on a baking tray or facedown on the bbq. Toast the bread slightly.
- 3. Once the bread is slightly toasted, remove the bread and rub raw peeled garlic onto the toast to cover the entire surface area.
- 4. Scoop marinated tomatoes and peppers evenly amongst toast and bake in oven or bbq at 350° F for 5 minutes or until the mixture is heated through. Careful not to burn toast.
- 5. Optional: lightly grate parmesan cheese onto toast just before serving.