## Raw Tomato Red Bell Pepper Soup

(Recipe by Radha Sukhani)

## **Ingredients**: Serves 4-6

- Six to eight medium tomatoes (seeded and cut in cubes)
- One red bell pepper (medium) seeded and cubed
- Half orange or yellow bell pepper seeded and cubed. If not available, use little more red pepper. (Note: Green bell pepper if eaten raw irritates the stomach)
- 4-5 walnut halves or 8-10 cashews or 8-10 blanched almonds
- Two cloves garlic (Optional)
- Half teaspoon cumin seeds
- Four to 5 sundried tomatoes soaked in water for a half-hour or 4-5 olive oil marinated sundried tomatoes
- Red Chili powder to taste
- ½ teaspoon cumin powder
- One tablespoon lime or lemon juice
- One tablespoon of extra virgin olive oil or golden sesame oil
- Salt to taste
- Four cups of hot water

## Garnish

- Black Pepper powder
- Few sprigs of fresh coriander
- Toasted walnut pieces

## **Directions**

- 1. In a high-speed blender, blend all the ingredients except hot water until smooth.
- 2. Just before serving (plating) add hot water and whisk few times).
- 3. Garnish with cilantro leaves and toasted walnuts and sprinkle black peppercorn powder to taste.
- 4. Serve the soup immediately after adding warm water.

( Note: Never warm or heat raw soups as they will lose the texture. Eat them cold or warm and never hot)