## Lemon-Green Beans with Toasted Bread Crumbs

- 3 slices white bread torn into quarters
- 4 Tbsp butter

Salt & Pepper

- 3 Tbsp grated Parmesan
- 9 medium garlic cloves, minced or pressed
- 3 tsp flour
- 1/4 tsp red pepper flakes
- 1 Tbsp minced thyme
- 2 pounds of green beans, stem ends trimmed
- 1 ½ cup chicken broth
- 2 Tbsp lemon juice
  - Process bread in food processor to even, fine crumbs, about 10 1 second pulses. Heat 2 tablespoon butter in 12 inch non stick skillet over medium high; when melted, add bread crumbs and cook, stirring frequently, until golden brown 3 to 5 minutes. Transfer to medium bowl and stir in ½ tsp salt, ½ tsp pepper and Parmesan, set aside.
  - Wipe out skillet. Add remaining 2 Tbsp butter, garlic, and ½ tsp salt, cook over medium heat, stirring constantly, until garlic is golden, 3 to 5 minutes. Stir in flour, red pepper flakes, and thyme, then toss in green beans. Add chicken broth and increase heat to medium-high; cover and cook until beans are partly tender, but still crisp at center, about 5 minutes. Uncover and cook, stirring occasionally, until beans are tender and sauce has thickened slightly, about 4 minutes.
  - Turn/take off the heat, stir in lemon juice, and adjust seasonings with salt and pepper.
  - Transfer to plates and sprinkle evenly with bread crumbs.

Serve!

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