Tomato and Herb Sauteed Green Beans

4 c. fresh cut or frozen green beans
6 oz tomato paste
2 T. chopped fresh basil
2 T. olive oil
1 T. minced garlic
¹⁄₄ t. salt
1 c. water
Salt and pepper to taste

Heat olive oil in a heavy bottomed frying pan. Add minced garlic and basil, cook one minute. Add green beans, tomato paste, salt, and water. Simmer until green beans are fork tender and liquid is absorbed.

Makes 4-6 servings.