





LENTIL & ROOT VEGGIE SOUP

Ingredients:

3 cups chopped peeled celeriac (celery root)	8 cups low-sodium chicken broth or vegetable broth
2 cups chopped parsnips	1 cup French green lentils or black lentils, rinsed
1 cup chopped carrot	1 sprig fresh rosemary
1 cup frozen pearl onions	1 tablespoon 1 (3 inch) rind Parmesan cheese plus ½ cup shredded Parmesan, divided
1 stalk celery, chopped 2 plum tomatoes, seeded and chopped	1 bay leaf
3 cloves garlic, minced	1 teaspoon salt
2 teaspoons herbes de Provence	1/2 teaspoon ground pepper 4 ounces pancetta, crisp-cooked and crumbled (Optional)

Total time: 4.5 hours

Prep time: 30 minutes

Servings:

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Instructions:

Step 1:

Combine celeriac, parsnips, carrot, pearl onions, celery, tomatoes, garlic and herbes de Provence in a 5- to 6-quart slow cooker. Add broth, lentils, rosemary, Parmesan rind, bay leaf, salt and pepper. Cover and cook on High 4 1/2 hours or on Low for 8 hours.

Step 2:

Remove the rosemary, Parmesan rind and bay leaf. Serve the soup topped with shredded cheese and garnished with pancetta, if desired.

Tips:

To make ahead: Chop celeriac, parsnips, carrot, celery and tomatoes and combine with onions and minced garlic. Refrigerate for up to 1 day.