

Hearty Minestrone Soup

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Ingredients

1/4 cup olive oil 1 medium stalk celery, sliced 1 medium onion, diced 6 mini peeled carrots (or one large carrot), sliced 1 clove garlic, minced 1-16 ounce package 'homestyle diced' cabbage 1-16 ounce can petite diced tomatoes 5 cups water 2 beef flavored bouillon cubes 1 teaspoon salt 1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce 1/4 teaspoon dried oregano leaves 1/4 teaspoon freshly ground pepper 2 medium potatoes, peeled and diced 1 large zucchini, cut into bite-sized pieces 1-15 ounce can red kidney beans, drained 2 cups packed fresh spinach, chopped 1/2 cup grated Parmesan cheese

Directions

Heat oil in a heavy saucepan over medium-high heat, cook carrots, celery, onions, garlic, and cabbage until vegetables are slightly browned, about 10 minutes, stirring frequently.

Add tomatoes with their liquid and the next 8 ingredients, over high heat, bring to a boil. Reduce heat to low, cover and simmer until vegetables are tender, 10-20 minutes. Add beans and spinach, heat thoroughly and season to taste. Serve over cooked elbow noodles. Top with parmesan cheese. Enjoy!