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Preparation 25 mins | Cooking 2 hours 15 mins | Serves 4 as a main meal

This soup can be made the day before serving and stored in an airtight container in the fridge. Remove and discard any fat on the surface before reheating.

3 trimmed lamb shanks

10 cups water

1/3 cup pearl barley

2 leeks, trimmed, halved lengthways and thinly sliced

1 celery stick, thinly sliced

2 large carrots, peeled and diced

1 swede, peeled and diced

1 parsnip, peeled and diced

1 turnip, peeled and diced

1 cup finely shredded Chinese cabbage

½ cup flat-leaf parsley leaves, chopped

Crusty bread, to serve

STEP 1 Place lamb shanks and water into a large deep saucepan. Bring to the boil, skimming froth occasionally, over medium heat. Stir in barley, partially cover and simmer, stirring occasionally, over medium-low heat for 1 hour.

STEP 2 Add celery, carrots, swede, parsnip, turnip and cabbage to soup. Stir to combine, cover and simmer, stirring occasionally, for 45 minutes.

STEP 3 Remove lamb shanks to a board and shred flesh (discard bones). Add lamb and parsley to soup. Season with salt and pepper to taste. Simmer soup, stirring occasionally, for a further 10-15 minutes. Serve with crusty bread.



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