

A cross between a turnip and a cabbage, it has a peppery, slightly bitter taste when raw that becomes sweeter when cooked.

Storage:

- Store in a cool, dry, dark place or in the refrigerator
- Whole rutabaga will last several weeks to a couple months if stored properly

How to prepare:

- · Rinse, slice off top and lay the flat surface on the cutting board
- To make it easier to peel, cut into 4 sections, then peel using a small knife or peeler

Boil and mash: chop, boil gently until soft, drain and mash like you would potatoes. Keep ½ cup (125 mL) of the cooking water when you drain to add back when you mash. Season with salt and pepper or add a bit of something sweet like honey or sugar.

Add to soup or stew: chop and add to a soup or stew like you would carrots or squash.

Roast: chop, toss with oil plus a pinch of salt and roast. See recipe on reverse.

Eat raw: chop or grate and add raw to a salad. Smaller rutabagas are better for eating raw.









Rutabaga



Roasted Rutabaga:

- 1 rutabaga
- 1 to 2 tsp (5 to 10 mL) oil
- pinch salt
- optional: add 1 tsp (5 mL) herbs (such as garlic, rosemary, or thyme)
- 1. Peel rutabaga and slice or chop into spears or cubes.
- 2. Toss rutabaga with the oil, salt, and herbs if using.
- 3. Spread out on a baking sheet, leaving some space between the pieces so they will get crispy.
- 4. Bake at 350° F (180° C) for 30 to 45 minutes or until crispy on the outside and tender on the inside.

