# Feautured Ingredient ... Pears





#### **INGREDIENTS**

- 4 unpeeled pears, diced or sliced (your choice of variety)
- 2 medium peeled russet potatoes, diced
- 4 cups broth (vegetable or chicken)
- 1 sweet onion, chopped
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 Tbsp butter
- 1 cup shredded white cheddar cheese
- 2 tsp ground mustard or Dijon mustard
- 1tsp nutmeg
- 2 Tbsp maple syrup

#### **NUTRITIONAL FACTS**

Serving size: 1 cup Calories: 218 Protein: 9 grams

Carbohydrates: 26 grams

Fat: 10 grams

### **DIRECTIONS**

- 1. In a large pan on medium heat, heat butter until melted. Add the garlic and onion and cook until light brown and fragrant.
- 2. Pour the broth over top and deglaze the pan.
- 3. Add the potatoes, mustard, nutmeg, and maple syrup to the pan and bring to a boil. Cook for 10 minutes or until the potatoes are soft and easily split with a fork.
- 4.Add the pears and contents of the pan. Blend until smooth and creamy in a blender, food processor, or by using an immersion blender.
- 5. Return soup to the pan, add the cheese, and heat until the cheese is thoroughly melted, stirring consistently.

## 6. Enjoyl CONSIDERATIONS

Increase calories by adding 1-2 Tbsp of heaving whipping cream per cup, more cheese or garnish with nuts of choice.

