Roasted Root Vegetables

Wonderful medley of flavors, potentially a meal in itself.

Served at the Weathers' Wine cellar. Recipe courtesy of Jean Weathers.

Quantity	Ingredients		Preparation Notes
	Non-stick vegetable spray		
9 Tblsp	extra virgin olive oil		
2 Tblsp + 1 1/2 teasp	chopped fresh thyme))	 third of oven and preheat to 425°F. Spray 2 large rimmed baking sheets with nonstick spray. Whisk 6 tablespoons oil, 2 tablespoons thyme, and 2 tablespoons marjoram in large bowl. Add yams, carrots, parsnips, rutabagas, and onions and toss to coat. Sprinkle vegetables generously with salt and pepper and divide between prepared baking sheets Roast vegetables until tender and brown in spots, turning occasionally, about 50 minutes. (Can be made 4 hours ahead. Let stand at room temperature. If desired, rewarm in 350°F oven about 15 minutes, or microwave on high until heated through, about 6 minutes, before continuing.) Whisk balsamic vinegar, remaining 3 tablespoons oil, 1 1/2 teaspoons thyme, and 1 1/2 teaspoons marjoram to blend in small bowl. Drizzle over roasted vegetables. Sprinkle with chopped parsley and lemon peel. Season with more salt and pepper, if desired.
2 Tblsp + 1 1/2 teasp	chopped fresh majoram	۲	
2 lbs	medium yams, peeled, halved lengthwise, then cut crosswise into 1/4 to 1 1/2 inch pieces	۲	
1 1/2 lbs	carrots, peeled, cut into 3/4 inch thick rounds (about 4 cups)	٢	
1 1/2 lbs	parsnips, peeled, cut into 3/4 inch thick rounds (about 4 cups)	۲	
1 1/2 lbs	rutabagas peeled, cut into 1/2 inch pi9eces (about 4 cups)	٢	
2	Med size red onions (about 1 lb), peeled, root ends left intact, cut into 1/2 inch thick wedges.)))	
3 Tblsp	balsamic vinegar	۲	Serve hot or at room temperature.
3 Tblsp	chopped fresh parsley		
2 teasp	grated lemon peel		
	Fresh parsley sprigs		