

Chef's Corner



Mason Jar Salad

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Salad

INGREDIENTS

½ cup cooked quinoa

 $\frac{1}{2}$ cup halved grape tomatoes

2 cups spinach (or greens mix)

¼ cup roasted chicken

1 tablespoon walnuts

¼ cup garbanzo beans

¼ cup diced or spiralized zucchini

INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Pour dressing (recipe below) into bottom of a quart sized (32 ounce) Mason jar.
- 2. Begin layering ingredients, starting with chicken, garbanzo beans, quinoa, zucchini, nuts, tomoatoes and ending with the spinach.
- 3. Seal with lid and store in refrigerator up to 2 days.
- 4. When ready to eat, shake to allow dressing to coat ingredients.

Dressing

INGREDIENTS

1 tablespoon wine vinegar

 $1\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon very finely minced shallot

½ teaspoon Dijon mustard

1/2 teaspoon salt

Black pepper to taste

3 tablespoon extra virgin olive oil

INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Combine vinegar, shallot, mustard, salt and pepper to taste in a bowl
- 2. Whisk until mixture is milky in appearance.
- 3. Slowly drizzle oil into mixture.

ALSO TRY....

Lemon Vinaigrette: Substitute lemon juice for vinegar, omit shallot, add ¼ tsp lemon zest and a pinch of sugar.

Balsamic Vinaigrette: Substitute balsamic vinegar for wine vinegar, increase mustard to 2 tsp, and add $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp fresh, chopped thyme.

Asian Vinaigrette: Substitute sesame oil for half the olive oil, substitute wine vinegar for rice vinegar, omit shallot and mustard and replace with 1 tsp minced ginger. Add 1/8 tsp hot pepper flakes, if desired.

Nutritional Information

Calories: 450 **Fat:** 20g

Sodium: 533mg **Carbohydrates:** 47g **Dietary Fiber:** 6g

Protein: 23g



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