

Spinach Quinoa Salad with Roasted Grapes, Pears & Almonds

Servings: 4

Active Time: 15 minutes Total Time: 30 minutes

<u>Ingredients</u>

2 cups red seedless grapes
2 large Bartlett pears, chopped
1 tablespoon honey
2 cups water
Pinch of sea salt
1 cup quinoa, rinsed and drained
8 cups fresh spinach
½ cup chopped almonds

Lemon-Honey Dressing

2 tablespoons olive oil 3 tablespoons freshly squeezed lemon juice 1 ½ teaspoons honey ½ teaspoon Kosher salt ¼ teaspoon freshly ground black pepper

Directions

- 1. Preheat oven to 400 degrees F. Combine grapes and pears in a small bowl. Drizzle with honey and stir until fruit is well coated. Place fruit on a large greased baking sheet. Roast fruit for 15-20 minutes, or until grapes are slightly shriveled and pears are soft.
- 2. While the fruit is roasting, cook the quinoa. In a large pot, bring 2 cups water to a boil. Season water with a pinch of sea salt. Stir in quinoa and cook until water is evaporated and quinoa is tender, about 20 minutes. Pour quinoa into a medium bowl and fluff with a fork. Let cool to room temperature.
- 3. **To make the Lemon-Honey Dressing:** Combine olive oil, lemon juice, honey, salt, and pepper in a small jar with a tight-fitting lid, close, and shake until well combined.
- 4. In a salad bowl, combine spinach, roasted grapes, pears, quinoa, and chopped almonds. Drizzle salad dressing over salad and toss until coated.

Nutrition Info

Per serving: 452 Calories; Fat 17.3 g (Sat 1.5 g); Cholesterol 0 mg; Sodium 191 mg; Carbohydrates 70.1 g; Fiber 9.6 g; Protein 11.8 g.