

Cold Kidney Bean, Garbanzo & Cucumber Salad

SERVINGS: 6

PREPPING TIME: 15 MIN

COOKING TIME: O MIN

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FOOD BANK ITEMS: CANNED RED KIDNEY BEANS AND GARBANZO BEANS

Ingredients

-1-16 ounce can red kidney beans

-1-16 ounce can garbanzo beans

- -1 large cucumber
- -2 celery stalks
- -1 fresh squeezed lemon or lemon juice
- -3 to 4 tablespoons of extra virgin olive oil or regular olive oil
- -12 cherry tomatoes or 2 large tomatoes
- 1/2 small red onion
- 1/2 bunch parsley
- -salt and pepper

Directions

- 1. Open cans, pour out juices and rinse beans with water Place into large mixing bowl
- 2. Dice the cucumbers, celery stalks, red onion Place in bowl
- 3. Finely chop the parsley Place in bowl
- 4. Slice cherry tomatoes in half or dice large tomatoes Place in bowl
- 5. Drizzle in the dressing, toss it all together and let it sit for 5 minutes so all ingredients can marinate together before serving.

Dressing Ingredients

- 1. Squeeze 1 whole lemon (without seeds) into separate bowl
- 2. Measure in olive oil Whisk together or stir vigorously with fork and taste. Mild but tarte taste.
- 3. Slowly add in salt and pepper to taste
 - TIP You can't take away saltiness, but you can always add
 - **Timesaver No ingredients to make your own dressing? Use a simple store-bought Italian dressing and lightly pour in bowl to taste.

BONUS – Make this a main dish by adding in cooked elbow pasta. Kick it up a notch by sprinkling in chili flakes to add flavor and interest.

