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Black Bean-Quinoa Salad with Basil-Lemon Dressing

YIELD

¹⁰ servings (serving size: ¹ cup)

Ingredients

¹ ½ cups uncooked quinoa

³ cups organic vegetable broth (such as Swanson Certified Organic)

¹ (¹⁴-ounce) package reduced-fat firm tofu, cut into ¹⁄₄-inch cubes

³ tablespoons olive oil, divided

¹ ¼ teaspoons salt, divided

¹ cup chopped fresh basil

³ tablespoons fresh lemon juice

² tablespoons Dijon mustard

¹ teaspoon sugar

² teaspoons grated lemon rind

1/2 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper

³ garlic cloves, minced

 $^{\mbox{\tiny 1}}$ (10-ounce) package frozen baby lima beans

⁴ cups chopped tomato (about ³ medium)

1/2 cup sliced green onions

1/2 cup chopped carrot

 $^{\rm 1}$ (15-ounce) can black beans, rinsed and drained

How to Make It

- 1 Combine quinoa and vegetable broth in a saucepan; bring to a boil over mediumhigh heat. Cover, reduce heat, and simmer ¹⁵ minutes or until broth is absorbed and quinoa is tender. Remove from heat.
- 2 Place tofu on several layers of paper towels; cover with additional paper towels. Let stand ⁵ minutes. Heat ¹ tablespoon oil in a large nonstick skillet over mediumhigh heat. Add tofu; sprinkle with ¼ teaspoon salt. Sauté tofu ⁹ minutes or until lightly browned. Remove from heat; cool completely.
- 3 Combine remaining ² tablespoons oil, remaining ¹ teaspoon salt, basil, and next ⁶ ingredients (through garlic) in a large bowl; stir with a whisk until blended. Stir in quinoa.
- 4 Cook lima beans according to package directions, omitting salt and fat. Cool completely. Add the lima beans, tofu, chopped tomato, green onions, chopped carrot, and black beans to quinoa mixture; stir gently to combine. Store, covered, in refrigerator until ready to serve.