# **Lentil Pasta Salad with Tomato Herb Dressing**



#### Makes:

8

# **Utensil:**

Saladmaster Food Processor 10 Qt./9.5 L Roaster with Cover 6 Qt. (5.6L) Culinary Basket Rate Recipe:

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## **Recipe Description:**

Craving pasta salad? Try swapping out refined white flour pasta, high on the glycemic index with newer varieties of Legume and bean based pastas. These pasta's are high in protein and fiber content. Add in lots of low carbohydrate vegetables. Cook your pasta al dente, which literally means "to the tooth". Overcooked pasta is higher on the glycemic scale.

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Pasta Salad
     4 cups
green lentil penne
(250
g)
     4 cups
broccoli, cut into small florets
(160
g)
     3 carrots, trimmed and scrubbed, strung. Use Cone #2
     2 zucchini, ends trimmed, cut in 1/2 length wise, sliced. Use
Cone #4.
     1/4 cups
       red onion, minced
(40
g)
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#### **Tomato Herb Dressing**

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2
cups tomato, ripe, chopped into small pieces along with juices
(360 g)
2
tbsp balsamic (32 g) 2
vinegar 2
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tbsp raw apple cider vinegar (32 g) tsp basil, (1 g) 1 dry 1 tsp garlic (3 g) tsp salt (6 g)  $\frac{1}{2}$  powder cup parsley leaves, chopped (30 g)

#### **Directions:**

- Fill 10 quart roaster ¾ way full with water, place culinary basket in 10 quart roaster and turn heat to medium-high. Bring water to a rolling boil.
- 2. Add a pinch of salt to boiling water. Slowly pour pasta into boiling water and stir with spoon.
- Cook pasta according to package directions. Add broccoli
  pieces to cooking pasta in last 2 minutes of cooking, stir
  gently. Adjust heat as needed to prevent water from boiling
  over.
- 4. When pasta is cooked, turn off heat. Place large stainless steel mixing bowl next to the roaster. Attach handles to culinary basket and carefully lift basket out of roaster. Shake basket gently to drain excess water. Place culinary basket in bowl and bring to the sink.
- 5. Rinse cooked pasta and broccoli under cool running water, shake off excess water and pour into large mixing bowl.
- 6. Process carrots, zucchini and red onion into bowl with pasta and broccoli, stir gently to combine.
- 7. Combine all of the tomato herb dressing ingredients in a small mixing bowl and stir to combine.
- 8. Pour dressing over pasta and vegetables and toss to incorporate. Taste and add extra seasonings as desired.
- 9. Serve pasta as is or over salad greens or baby spinach.

## Tips:

- Substitute lentil penne for garbanzo bean pasta
- Substitute broccoli for green beans or snow peas

#### Nutritional Information per

Calories: 248
Total Fat: 1g
Saturated Fat: 0g
Cholesterol: 0mg
Sodium: 331mg
Total 50g
Carbs:

Dietary Fiber: 4g

Sugar: 4g
Protein: 14g