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Makes:

6 - 8 servings

Utensil:

2 Qt./1.8L Sauce Pan with Cover Saladmaster Food Processor 2.5 Qt. (1.49L) Culinary Basket large mixing bowl Rate ****** Recipe:

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Recipe Description:

Raw thinly sliced zucchini is a nutritious and crunchy addition to your warm weather salads. Zucchini slices perfectly with the Saladmaster Machine and Cone #5 - toss with salt and in 30 minutes the zucchini is softened and takes on a whole new flavor. This is a simple way to add in lots of nutrient dense raw vegetables to your pasta and grain salads.

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2 zucchini squash, waffled, use Cone #5
     1/4 teaspoon
        salt
(3
g)
      1 cup
quinoa
(170
g)
      2 cups
water
(475
mL)
     1/2 cup
        almonds, slivered and toasted
(56
g)
     \frac{1}{2} cup
        fresh basil
(20
g)
     \frac{1}{2} cup
        fresh parsley
(30
g)
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2 cloves
garlic, shredded, use Cone #1
2 tablespoons
olive oil
(30
mL)
2 tablespoons
raw cider vinegar
(30
mL)
\frac{1}{4} cup
red onion, julienned, use Cone #2
(40
g)
salt and pepper to taste
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1 ripe avocado, peeled, seeded and cut into small dice,

optional

sprinkle of smoked mild paprika, optional

Directions:

- 1. Place zucchini in culinary basket and rinse. Add salt to zucchini and toss to combine. Set aside and let zucchini soften and drain for 30 minutes.
- While zucchini is draining, place quinoa in colander, rinse with cool water and drain. Place rinsed quinoa and water in sauce pan and cover. Turn heat to medium. When Vapo-Valve[™] clicks reduce heat to low and cook for 12 - 14 minutes. When quinoa is cooked, remove from heat, leave covered, and let quinoa rest for 10 minutes.
- 3. Place quinoa in mixing bowl and allow to cool. When cooled, add remaining ingredients to the quinoa and stir to combine.
- 4. Drain zucchini and pat off excess water with paper towels. Add to quinoa and stir thoroughly.
- 5. Add salt and pepper to taste.
- 6. Serve salad topped with diced avocado and sprinkle of smoked mild paprika, if desired.

Tips:

- Quinoa cooks quickly and adds a nice crunchy texture to any salad. A ¹/₄ cup (46g) serving of quinoa has 6 grams of protein and is an excellent gluten-free option.
- There are so many varieties of quinoa available in the market. The combination of white, red and black quinoa makes a pretty presentation with all of the green herbs and vegetables. Substitute for whatever is available.
- Substitute zucchini squash for yellow summer squash or use a combination of both.

Nutritional Information per

 Serving

 Calories: 215

 Total Fat: 10g

 Saturated Fat: 1g

 Cholesterol: 0mg

 Sodium: 209mg

 Total 25g

 Carbs:

 Dietary Fiber: 5g

 Sugar: 2g

 Protein: 7g